

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

Your request for information has now been considered and the Council's response to your questions is shown below.

You asked:

1. Is your Winter Maintenance service provided by a 'Private Contractor' or is it an 'In-house' operation?

ANSWER

In-house

2. If the service is provided by a 'Private Contractor', please can you provide the following information?

n/a

3. If the service is provided 'In-house', please can you tell me who is responsible for the management of the service? And what are their names and positions?

Head of Service: Martin Fletcher (Head of Highways)

Managers: Nick Weston (Operations Manager) / Tom Vesty (Operations Drainage Technician)

Supervisors: Paul Mahoney, Sean Hickey, Trevor Cox, Robert Towers, Mark Barnett & Alan Wagg (all Contract Supervisors)

4. What was the total budget of the winter maintenance service for the last three financial years?

2011/12 annual budget was: £ 203,300.00

2012/13 annual budget was: £ 204,800.00

2013/14 annual budget was: £ 206,600.00

5. How many 'primary gritting routes' does the council have?

Number of primary gritting routes: Four

6. How many gritting vehicles does the council use when treating the 'primary gritting routes'?

Number of vehicles used to treat these primary routes is: Usually four, but six used if we have very severe weather

7. How many miles do these 'primary gritting routes' cover?

Number of miles covered is: 184

8. What company/ resource(s) provides the council with weather forecast information to help make winter maintenance decisions?

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