## **DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL**

**TECHNICAL POLICIES & HIGHWAY INFORMATION** 

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## 11 Salt / Grit Bins

## 11.1 GENERAL

- 11.1.1 The following criterion is adopted for the provision of new salt bins on the adopted highway.
- 11.1.2 The Council will not provide additional salt bins to be maintained by the Authority; however each year requests from borough / district / parish councils for new salt bins will be prioritised against the following criteria and new bins may be provided for the top priority dependent on available resources. Unsuccessful requests will be included in future years' prioritisation exercises.
- 11.2 **CRITERIA FOR SALT BIN PROVISION:** f On roads included on the precautionary salting network salt bins will not normally be provided except at locations where, in times of snow, queuing traffic may encounter problems, e.g. steep slopes leading to junctions, traffic signals and roundabouts and at other known locations where vehicles can get into difficulties in snow conditions f On roads or footways not included in the precautionary salting network, bins may be provided at:
- locations with steep gradients, bad bends, drainage problems, exposed sites and difficult junctions locations used extensively by the elderly, infirm or very young
- rural roads providing access to isolated properties
- pedestrianised areas and other footways subject to heavy pedestrian use in town centres and busy shopping areas that are part of the publicly maintainable highway f Funding for salt bins, following requests for provision and prioritisation:
- cost of initial provision, siting and filling of bin to be funded by the County Council
- future maintenance, refilling and replacement of bins to be at the expense and responsibility of the appropriate borough/district/parish council requesting the provision f. The appropriate borough / district / parish council will be responsible for ensuring that the salt bins provided are clearly marked with the name of the Authority responsible for maintaining the bin together with a contact telephone number f. Salt Bins are not provided or maintained free of charge to unadopted highways. However they may be accepted on highways submitted for adoption provided the borough / district / parish council accepts responsibility for the future maintenance and refilling
- 11.2.1 All bins / heaps are positioned on digital maps by their co-ordinates to enable more efficient filling and their respective attributes will show who is responsible for their maintenance etc.
- 11.2.2 Contact details for the re-filling of the bins will be clearly marked on all bins.
- 11.2.3 The Council is using a more efficient method of filling bins, in conjunction with the respective owners, by providing a bespoke service for the filling of all bins.

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