

Item 6.5

Winter Maintenance Program Update

The 13 grit bins owned by the Parish Council were topped up by West Sussex County Council in October 2022 as per the Winter Maintenance agreement and the Parish Council were supplied with 1 ton of salt in storage to be able to top up the bins should there be a need.

During the week 11th to 18th December due to the snow and ice the grit bins were heavily used by residents and almost all were emptied, which required half of the salt in storage was to be distributed between all of the empty bins. During this time the SPC Steet Cleaning contractor was asked to spread grit on the many very slippery pavements in the area which he did. The last of the salt in storage was distributed to the bins during the second very cold and frosty spell of weather in January.

WSSC were then contacted to request that they replenish the salt supply, they stated that it need to be collected from their depot as time did not allow for them to carry out deliveries during the Winter. They have allowed councils to collect 1 ton of loose salt to replenish supplies. This has been collected and is now in storage in case of another bad spell of weather.

A 90 Litre grit bin - approx. cost £105 excluding VAT

A 50 Litre salt spreader - £166.76 excluding VAT

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