

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL - RECORD OF DECISION

DECISION TAKEN BY

**Bryan Sweetland,
Cabinet Member for Environment, Highways and Waste**

DECISION NO.

12/01921

Unrestricted/Exempt (delete as required) - If exempt please specify the relevant paragraph(s) of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972)

Subject:

Winter Service Policy 2012/13

Decision:

The Winter Service Policy sets out KCC's Highways and Transportation department's arrangements to deliver a winter service across Kent. Each year Highways and Transportation reviews the Council's Winter Service Policy and the operational plan that supports it in light of changes in national guidance and lessons learnt from the previous winter. On the basis of this the following revisions have been made:-

- (a) Identification of an Overall Winter Service – October to April and Core Winter Service Period – December to February
- (b) Minimum winter service network the main strategic network, i.e. all A and B roads and some other locally important roads as identified in the highway network hierarchy
- (c) Levels of salt needed to maintain resilience for the (a) and (b) above
- (d) Salt bins will now be identified on a map on Kent.gov so that people can find out the location of their nearest salt bin
- (e) A new three year contract to provide a winter weather forecast service was placed with Meteogroup after a competitive tender process

Any Interest Declared when the Decision was Taken:

None

Reason(s) for decision, including response to any Cabinet Committee recommendations, and any alternatives considered

The Winter Service policy is a key document for the county council and sets out how Highways and Transportation plan for keeping the roads as clear as reasonably practicable during ice and snow days.

Background Documents: Well Maintained Highways – Section 13 Winter Service November 2011

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27/9/12