

1st June 2011

Nurseries- Tony Madden SBC Education to distribute
Primary Schools- Tony Madden SBC Education to distribute
Secondary Schools- Tony Madden SBC Education to distribute
Adult Care Facilities- Ged Taylor SBC Environmental to distribute
Places of Worship- Naveed Mohammed SBC LSP to distribute
Doctors Surgeries- Kate Pratt SBC Comms to distribute via PTC
Council Buildings- Jamila Ibrahim SBC Facilities
Housing- Neil Aves and Ken Hopkins
SBC Ward Councillors

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Section: Highways Engineering
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Our Ref: AJD/8/winter service review 2011
Your Ref: *

Dear Sir or Madam:

**Re- Winter Maintenance 2011-2012 and beyond
Private Salting and Gritting Arrangements**

Every year the Council prepares a Winter Maintenance Plan to deal with snow, ice and frost for the coming winter. The last plan was prepared in advance of the winter of 2010-11 which is available to view on the Council's website at this link <http://www.slough.gov.uk/services/8828.aspx>

During periods of heavy frosts and snowfall the Council routinely receives requests to provide gritting services for schools and private establishments including private forecourts, parking areas and footways. These requests put pressure on Council staff and resources; and diverts attention away from keeping the main roads, bus routes and shopping areas clear of snow and ice.

A full review was undertaken in 2010 and one of the agreed outcomes is to ensure that private establishments make their own gritting and salting arrangements in advance of the winter. In order to encourage this Slough Borough Council is offering to deliver a filled salt bin and two snow shovels in advance of this winter period at a cost of £252.90 per salt bin.

After the initial fill of salt private arrangements must be made for refilling salt bins as the Council will not have enough salt to cater for private arrangements.

Salt suppliers locally are-

- Wickes- Farnham Road
- B&Q- A4 Bath Road
- Grant and Stone- Montem Lane

If you would like to obtain a salt bin kit prior to this winter season please submit a cheque for £252.90 made payable to Slough Borough Council along with a plan showing where you want the salt bin located within your site and contact details by the end August 2011.

In addition to the offer of salt bins Slough Borough Council can offer routine gritting of private roads (the same time the Council grits its highway network), although this service will be charged to the recipient dependant on how often the service is carried out. Should you wish to pursue this offer please contact me at the details above, again any requests must be received before the end August 2011.

The Council will be unable to guarantee providing these private services after the offer closes at the end August 2011.

Yours sincerely,



Alex J. Deans
Head of Highways Engineering