



SWALE

District Local Winter Service Plan

2013-2014

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Swale District local Winter Service Plan Team Handbook

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1. KCC Highways policy statement and plan

This will be the document approved by Environment Highways and Waste policy overview and scrutiny committee.

2. Winter Service Operational Period 2013-14

The winter service operational period 2013-14 will run from 19 October 2013 to 19 April 2014. Weather Forecasts dedicated to Kent's roads will be available every day during this period from Meteogroup, a private forecasting agency, and Enterprise will be on standby to treat roads or clear snow as required.

3. Winter service procedure

During normal working hours the District Manager will deal with all winter service matters, including managing local action in snow/ice emergencies. The Duty Officer (DO) will assume control out of hours. The District Manager will also ensure that adequate support is provided to DO out of hours in emergency situations and that a suitable handover briefing takes place at the start and end of the normal working day. See Appendix A for personnel roles in winter service.

- 3.1 The Duty Officer will commence duty at 12.00 hours on Friday until 08.00 the following Friday and will be responsible for all the actions below. Assistance will be given but the ultimate responsibility will be with the DO.
- 3.2 Immediately after 1400 hours daily the weather forecast/information will be available on email/telephone on 01622-221077. (Update forecasts may be available at 21.30 hours each day, or when issued.)
- 3.3 **Instructing and recording actions** –The DO will record action taken on the Winter Service action sheet. Email to Enterprise; this will instruct them of the action that is needed. Provide as much detail as possible on the form. In the event that additional actions are needed, confirm by phone with the Enterprise Duty Supervisor. If, in the opinion of the duty officer, or on a site check, different action is taken to that recommended by the Winter Duty Officer (WDO), please inform the WDO. Enterprise will be informed directly of the main action. The Duty Officer will decide and instruct on any other action needed.

The winter service action sheet should also be copied by email to the relevant Priority Response Officer, District Manager and Area manager. The PRO will ensure that a WAMS order is raised as soon as practicable. The PRO will save the form in the designated folder on the KCC Highways system.

- 3.4 At weekends/bank holidays the winter forecast/action will be sent out at 14.00 hours or soon thereafter. In the event that a forecast is not received the DO will phone the KCC forecast on 01622-221077 to receive forecast and instructions.

- 3.5 If there are any changes, i.e. rain, contact the Enterprise Winter Duty Supervisor as soon as possible to cancel/ amend the instruction and inform the WDO
- 3.6 A snow/ice emergency can only be declared by an Area Manager (AM). In the event of a snow/ice emergency being declared by the AM, strategic action should be considered, i.e. opening an Emergency Room and calling in other staff etc.
- 3.7 In a declared snow emergency the priorities are primary routes, secondary routes, recorded snow clearance priorities and finally anything reported by the public etc. All public reports are to be logged on the agreed spreadsheet. This will usually be completed by the community liaison team who will also ensure that these enquiries are entered into the WAMS system and followed up accordingly.

4. Farmers Snow Ploughs

Farmers local to the area are under contract to plough snow on the more rural routes when necessary. Staff will be familiar with the farmers that have agreements and the roads they cover. New contracts will be issued for this winter. Each farmer will have plans detailing the roads that he is responsible for ploughing. The farmer uses his own tractor with a KCC plough, which is serviced every year and maintained by KCC. When snow reaches a depth of 50mm on roads in their areas the farmers will commence ploughing. Before this occurs the farmer should phone the Contact Centre to tell them he is going out to plough. This information will be relayed to the relevant area office. But if a farmer is required and has not called in staff will contact him directly. Farmers are paid by the hour when actually ploughing. The rates are agreed countywide in early November.

5. Salt Bins

Salt bins will be checked and refilled in early November; a single order will be given to Enterprise for this. If we have bad winter weather and salt bins need replenishing a further order will be issued. A link to the plans of salt bin locations by parish is given in Appendix C1.

All requests for new salt bins, up to 1st September (or possibly earlier as this is being reviewed By Carol Valentine) will be assessed to determine whether certain criteria are met. Any member of operational staff can do this assessment. If the score reaches or exceeds 120 points then it is put forward for consideration. All district areas will submit salt bins requests that exceed 120 points and they will be put into scoring order. The list then top sliced according to the budget available. If following the assessment the score does not reach 120 points then inform the enquirer directly that we will not be providing a new bin at this particular location. No further requests for salt bins will be considered until next autumn. However, for the 2013-14 winter season assessments of salt bins requested from Members will continue if they wish to use their Highway Member Fund.

6. SPOT SALT LIST I.E. WET SPOTS ON AND OFF PRECAUTIONARY ROUTES.

Determined at the start of the season and reviewed throughout as required. Based on particular seepage problems and shaded areas.

SNOW EMERGENCY PRIMARY ACTIONS

Ensure that Kingsferry bridge and route from Sheppey way junction of A249 to Cowstead corner is kept clear

Ensure A2 is kept clear from Medway to Brenley Corner

Ensure B2231 /A2500 Lower Road is kept clear From Cowstead corner to Leysdown

Ensure A299 is kept clear from Brenley corner to Swale boundary near Highstreet junction

Ensure all Hospitals, Police stations, Fire stations and Ambulance stations are accessible

Sittingbourne High Street area f/w as map - hand crew

Sheerness High street area f/w as map - hand crew

Faversham Town Centre f/w as map - hand crew

Primary and secondary gritting routes are passable

All as primary objectives have been met and resource permit.

7. Useful Phone numbers/sites

Weather

KCC Weather 01622 221077

London Weather
Consultancy Service 020 7241 3556 *number subject to tender*

KCC Website

The KCC website contains useful information such as:

- An interactive map of salting routes
- Information on how we salt the roads
- Advice on driving during the winter months

The site can be accessed using the link shown below

http://www.kent.gov.uk/roads_and_transport/highway_maintenance/winter_weather_maintenance.aspx

Traffic England

Traffic England contains live traffic information. The site can be accessed by using the link shown below:

<http://www.trafficengland.co.uk>

8. Primary Precautionary Salting Routes – Appendix F gives the link to the route maps

Copies of all primary precautionary salting routes for the county are available on the KCC website. These routes cross district boundaries. Primary routes that are relevant to the Swale area are: -

Ash 4
Pres 1
Pres 4
Pres 5a
Pres 5b
Pres 6
Pres 7

9. Secondary Precautionary Salting Routes – Appendix F gives the link to the route maps

Copies of all secondary precautionary salting routes for the county are available on the KCC website. These routes cross district boundaries. Secondary routes that are relevant to the Swale area are: -

Ash D
Pres A
Pres B
Pres C
Pres D
Pres E
Pres F

Appendix A: LIST OF PERSONNEL ROLES

Standby Officer is the officer who assumes responsibility for Winter Service out of hours and is usually the same officer that would deal with all out of hours calls.

Winter Duty Officer (WDO) is the KHS officer who receives weather forecasts and decides the appropriate salting actions.

Enterprise Winter Duty Supervisor (EWDS) is the Enterprise officer who arranges the Enterprise out of hours WS actions

Area Manager (AM) will declare a snow/ice emergency when appropriate

District Managers (DM) will co-ordinate action during normal office hours in conjunction with the WDO and where necessary the relevant Area Manager

Senior Managers

John Burr	Director	
	Head of Highway Operations	
Carol Valentine	Highway Manager (West Kent)	
Toby Howe	Highway Manager (East Kent)	

District Managers in Kent

Name	Position	District	Telephone number
Steve Rivers	Dist Mgr	Dover	
Pauline Rockett	Dist Mgr	Shepway	
Alan Blackburn	Dist Mgr	Swale	
Paul Valek	Dist Mgr	Thanet	
Alan Casson	Dist Mgr	Gravesham	
Chris Maw	Dist Mgr	Canterbury	
Julian Cook	Dist Mgr	Sevenoaks	
Ian Griggor	Dist Mgr	Dartford	
Mark Simmons	Dist Mgr	Tonbridge and Malling	
Richard Emmett	Dist Mgr	Maidstone	
Earl Bourner	Dist Mgr	Tunbridge Wells	
Lisa Holder	Dist Mgr	Ashford	

Operations Engineers in Kent

Name	Position	District	Telephone number
Kevin Abell	Engineer	Canterbury	
Stephanie Wadhams	Engineer	Dover	
Kingsley Williams	Engineer	Thanet	

Lee Goodman	Engineer	Ashford	
James Bowen	Engineer	Shepway	
Mike Payton	Engineer	Sevenoaks	
Roger Beasley	Engineer	Dartford	
Sue Laporte	Engineer	Tunbridge Wells	
Graham White	Engineer	Maidstone	
Jez Massey	Engineer	Tonbridge & M	
Jamie Cunningham	Engineer	Swale	

Other

Name	Telephone number
KCC contact centre	0300 3335539
Lone working phone nos	
Traffic Link (informs all radio stations)	

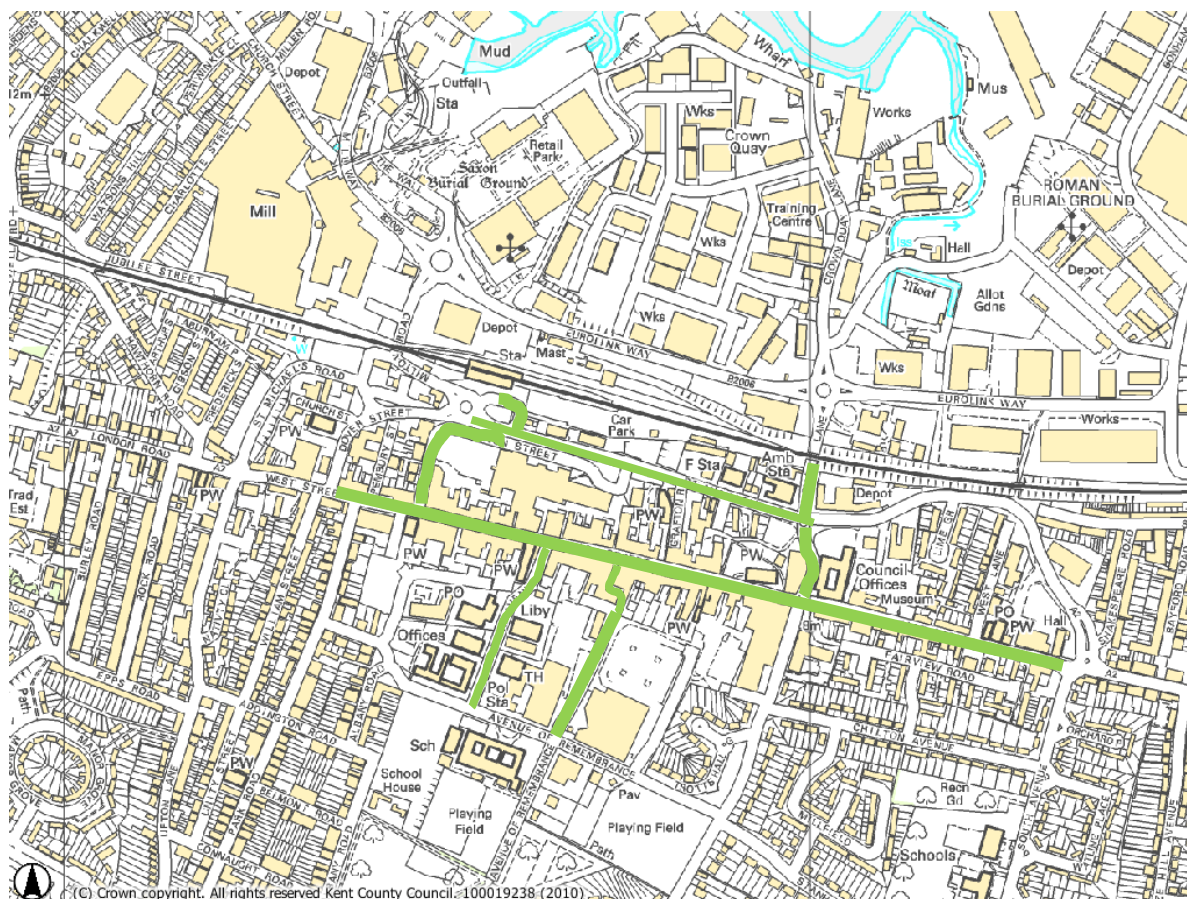
Police Force Control	Switchboard	(24/7)	01622 690690
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Appendix B: SNOW CLEARANCE PRIORITIES
with details by town/area in priority order

Pavements

During snow, arrangements will be made to clear pavements in key town centre and other areas as identified and agreed by district council and KCC staff. The prioritised pavements/footways are identified in this document.

SITTINGBOURNE TOWN CENTRE



Hospital

Sittingbourne Memorial
Highsted Road, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 4DT 01795 418300

Police Station

Avenue of Remembrance Sittingbourne Kent ME10

Fire Station

Crown Quay Lane Sittingbourne

Ambulance Station

Crown Quay Lane Sittingbourne

Railway Station

St Michaels Road Sittingbourne

Post Office

Central Avenue

SHOPPING CENTRES

High Street, West Street, East Street

COUNCIL OFFICES

Swale House East Street

INDUSTRIAL/COMMERCIAL

Euro link Estate, Mill Way

SCHOOLS

School Name	Address	Town	PostCode
Borden Grammar School	Avenue Of Remembrance	Sittingbourne	ME10 4DB
Canterbury Road Primary School	School Road	Sittingbourne	ME10 4SE
Challenger Project Centre The	Ufton Lane	Sittingbourne	ME10 1JB
Fulston Manor School	Brenchley Road	Sittingbourne	ME10 4EG
Grove Park Community School	Hilton Drive	Sittingbourne	ME10 1PT
Highsted Grammar School	Highsted Road	Sittingbourne	ME10 4PT
Lansdowne Primary School	Gladstone Drive	Sittingbourne	ME10 3BH
Meadowfield School	Swanstree Avenue	Sittingbourne	ME10 4NL
Milton Court Primary School	Brewery Road	Sittingbourne	ME10 2EE
Minterne Community Junior School	Minterne Avenue	Sittingbourne	ME10 1SB
Oaks Community Infant School	TheGore Court Road	Sittingbourne	ME10 1GL
Regis Manor Community School	Middletune Avenue	Sittingbourne	ME10 2HT
Sittingbourne Community College	Swanstree Avenue	Sittingbourne	ME10 4NL
South Avenue Infant School	South Avenue	Sittingbourne	ME10 4SU
South Avenue Junior School	South Avenue	Sittingbourne	ME10 4SU
St Peter's Catholic Primary School	West Ridge	Sittingbourne	ME10 1UJ
Tunstall CE (Aided) School	Tunstall	Sittingbourne	ME9 8DX
Westlands School	TheWestlands Avenue	Sittingbourne	ME10 1PF
Bapchild and Tonge CEP School	School Lane	Bapchild	ME9 9NL
Borden CEP School	School Lane	Borden	ME9 8JS
Borden Grammar School	Avenue of Remembrance	Borden	ME10 4DB
Bredgar CEP School	Bexon Lane	Bredgar	ME9 8HB
Eastling Primary School	Kettle Hill Road	Eastling	ME13 0BA
Hartlip Endowed CEP School	The Street	Hartlip	ME9 7TL
Iwade Community Primary School	School Lane	Iwade	ME9 8RS
Kemsley Primary School	Coldharbour Lane	Kemsley	ME10 2RP
Lower Halstow School	School Lane	Lower Halstow	ME9 7ES
Lynsted and Norton School	Lynsted Lane	Lynsted	ME9 0RL
Milstead and Frinsted CEP School	School Lane	Milstead	ME9 0SJ
Murston Infant School	Church Road	Murston	ME10 3RU
Murston Junior School	Sunnybank	Murston	ME10 3QN
Newington CEP School	School Lane	Newington	ME9 7LB
Rodmersham School	Rodmersham Green	Rodmersham	ME9 0PS
Teynham Parochial CEP School	Station Road	Teynham	ME9 9BQ
Holywell Primary School	Forge Lane	Upchurch	ME9 7AE

RETIREMENT HOMES

Name	Address	Town
Barchester Newington Court	Keycol Hill	Newington
Berkeley House	Lynsted Lane	Lynsted
Byfield Court	Sheppey Way	Bobbing
Chaucer House	9/11 Chaucer Road	Sittingbourne
Court Regis	Middletune Avenue	Milton Regis
Newington Court Care Home	Keycol Hill	Newington
Beatha House	99 Tonge Road	Murston
Beechfields	Conyer Road	Teynham
Blair Park	Crown Road	Milton Regis
Bridge House	115 Grovehurst Road	Kemsley
Cartref House	22 London Road	Sittingbourne
Doubleday Lodge	Glebe Lane	Sittingbourne
Ellens Court	Lady Margaret Manor Road	Doddington
Elvy Court	200 London Road	Sittingbourne
Frognal Farmhouse	Lower Road	Teynham
Hanningfield	99 London Road	Sittingbourne
Hengist Field Care Centre	Hengist Field	Borden
Hill Farm	15 Keycol Hill	Bobbing
Insight	Brusons, 5 London Road	Teynham
Northwood House (I L G)	28 London Road	Sittingbourne
Park Road	78/82 Park Road	Sittingbourne
Pine Lodge	32 Key Street	Sittingbourne
Ulcomb House	24 London Road	Sittingbourne
Welcome House - The Cedars	2 Hartlip Hill	Hartlip
Westdene (I L G)	26 London Road	Sittingbourne
Whiteleaf Cottage	Lower Road	Teynham
Woodstock Residential Home	80 Woodstock Road	Sittingbourne
Wurel House	135 London Road	Sittingbourne

FAVERSHAM AREA

Hospital Faversham Cottage Hospital
Stone Street, Faversham, Kent ME13 8PS
01795 563032

Police Station Church Street Faversham Kent ME13

Fire Station Ashford Road Faversham

Ambulance Station Canterbury Road Faversham

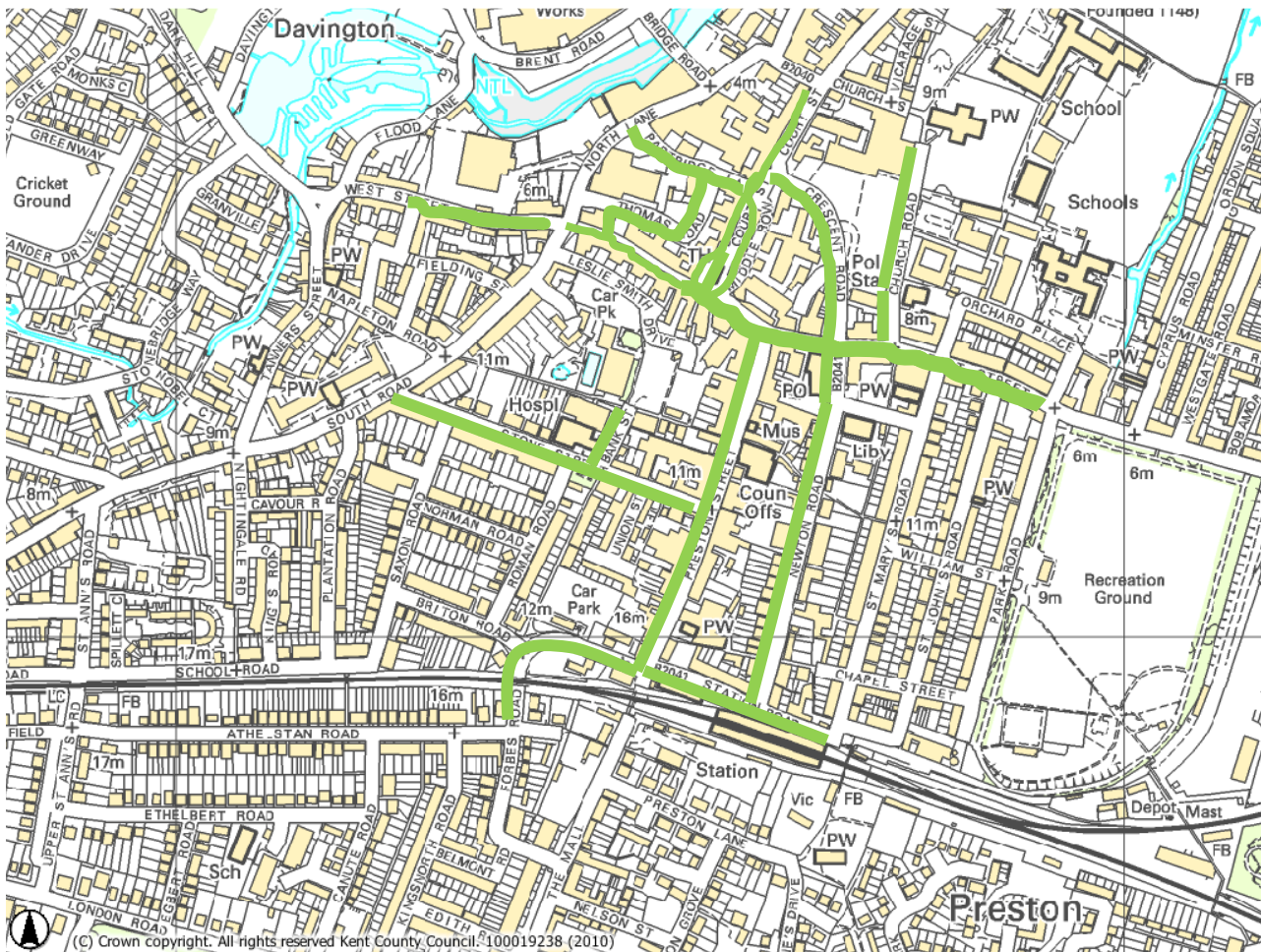
Railway Station Station Road Faversham

Post office East Street

SHOPPING CENTRES Preston Street, West Street, Market square

COUNCIL OFFICES Preston Street, Court Street East Street, Crescent Road, Church Street

Town Centre Pavement Snow clearance areas



SCHOOLS

School Name	Address	Town	PostCode
Abbey School	London Road	Faversham	ME13 8RZ
Bysing Wood Primary School	Lower Road	Faversham	ME13 7NU
Davington Primary School	Priory Row	Faversham	ME13 7EQ
Eastling Primary School	Kettle Hill Road	Faversham	ME13 0BA
Ethelbert Road Primary School	Ethelbert Road	Faversham	ME13 8SQ
Luddenham School	Luddenham	Faversham	ME13 0TE
Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School	Abbey Place	Faversham	ME13 7BQ
Selling CEP School	The StreetSelling	Faversham	ME13 9RQ
Sheldwich Primary School	Sheldwich	Faversham	ME13 0LU
St Mary of Charity CE (Aided) Primary School	Orchard Place	Faversham	ME13 8AP
Boughton-under-Blean and Dunkirk Primary School	School Lane	Boughton-Under-Blean	ME13 9AW
Graveney Primary School	Seasalter Road	Graveney	ME13 9DU
Hernhill CEP School	Forstal	Hernhill	ME13 9JG
Ospringe CEP School	Water Lane	Ospringe	ME13 8TX

RETIREMENT HOMES

Name	Address	Town
Ashurst House	9 Briton Road	Faversham
Carnalea	5/9 London Road	Faversham
Cooksditch House Nursing & Residential Home	East Street	Faversham
Kiln Court	Lower Road	Faversham
Mill House	Salters Lane	Faversham
Osbourne Court	Osborne Court / Sumpter Way / Lower Way	Faversham

ISLE OF SHEPPEY

Hospital	Sheppey Community Hospital Barton Hill drive Minster On Sea, Kent ME12 3LT 01795 879 100
Police Station	Millennium Way, Sheerness ME12 1PA
Fire Station	Church Road, Fire Station, Eastchurch, Sheerness, Kent ME12 4DH 01795 880725
Ambulance Station	Main Road, Queenborough, Kent, ME11 5DL
Railway Station	Railway Road, Sheerness, Main Road Queenborough
Post offices	Broadway Sheerness, Chaple Street Minster, Road Minster, High Street Eastchurch
Shopping Centre	High Street Sheerness

Town Centre Pavement Snow clearance areas



SCHOOLS

School Name	Address	Town	PostCode
Cheyne Middle School The	Jefferson Road	Sheerness	ME12 2PU
Richmond Primary School	Nursery Close	Sheerness	ME12 2QT
Rose Street School	Rose Street	Sheerness	ME12 1AW
St Edward's RCP School Sheerness	68 New Road	Sheerness	ME12 1LN
West Minster Primary School	St Georges Avenue	Sheerness	ME12 1ET
Queenborough Primary School	Edward Road	Queenborough	ME11 5DF
Eastchurch CEP School	Warden Road	Eastchurch	ME12 4EJ
Danley Middle School	Halfway Road	Minster On Sea	ME12 3AU
Halfway Houses Primary School	Southdown Road	Minster On Sea	ME12 3BE
Minster College	Minster Road	Minster On Sea	ME12 3JQ
Minster in Sheppey Primary School	Brecon Chase	Minster On Sea	ME12 2HX
St Georges C of E (Aided) Middle School	Chequers Road	Minster On Sea	ME12 3QU
Eastchurch CEP School	Warden Road	Eastchurch	ME12 4EJ

RETIREMENT HOMES

Name	Address	Town
Alma Lodge	15/17 Alma Road	Sheerness
Alma Rest Home	19/23 Alma Road	Sheerness
Avalon Residential Home	Sexburga Drive	Minster on Sea
Barton Court	New Road	Minster-on-Sea
Blackburn Lodge	The Broadway	Sheerness
Bromfield House Rest Home	316 Minster Road	Minster-on-Sea
Insight - Eastchurch	83 High Street	Eastchurch
The Island Home	Main Road	Leysdown-on-Sea
Little Oyster	Seaside Avenue	Minster-on-Sea
The Mount & The Olives	9/13 Delamark Road	Sheerness
Neptune House	8/10 Neptune Terrace	Sheerness
Oakdene Rest Home	165 Minster Road	Minster-on-Sea
Sunny Fields	241 Queenborough Road Halfway	Minster on Sea
Waterside	75 Marine Parade	Sheerness
Welcome Home	Cliff View Gardens	Warden Bay
Willows	The Broadway	Minster-on-Sea
Winchester House	455 Minster Road	Minster-on-Sea

Appendix C1: SALT BIN LOCATIONS – PLEASE SEE LINK BELOW TO LATEST LIST

[HTTP://WWW.KENT.GOV.UK/ROADS_AND_TRANSPORT/HIGHWAY_MAINTENANCE/WINTER_MAINTENANCE_AND_REPAIRS/SALT_BINS.ASPX](http://www.kent.gov.uk/roads_and_transport/highway_maintenance/winter_maintenance_and_repairs/salt_bins.aspx)

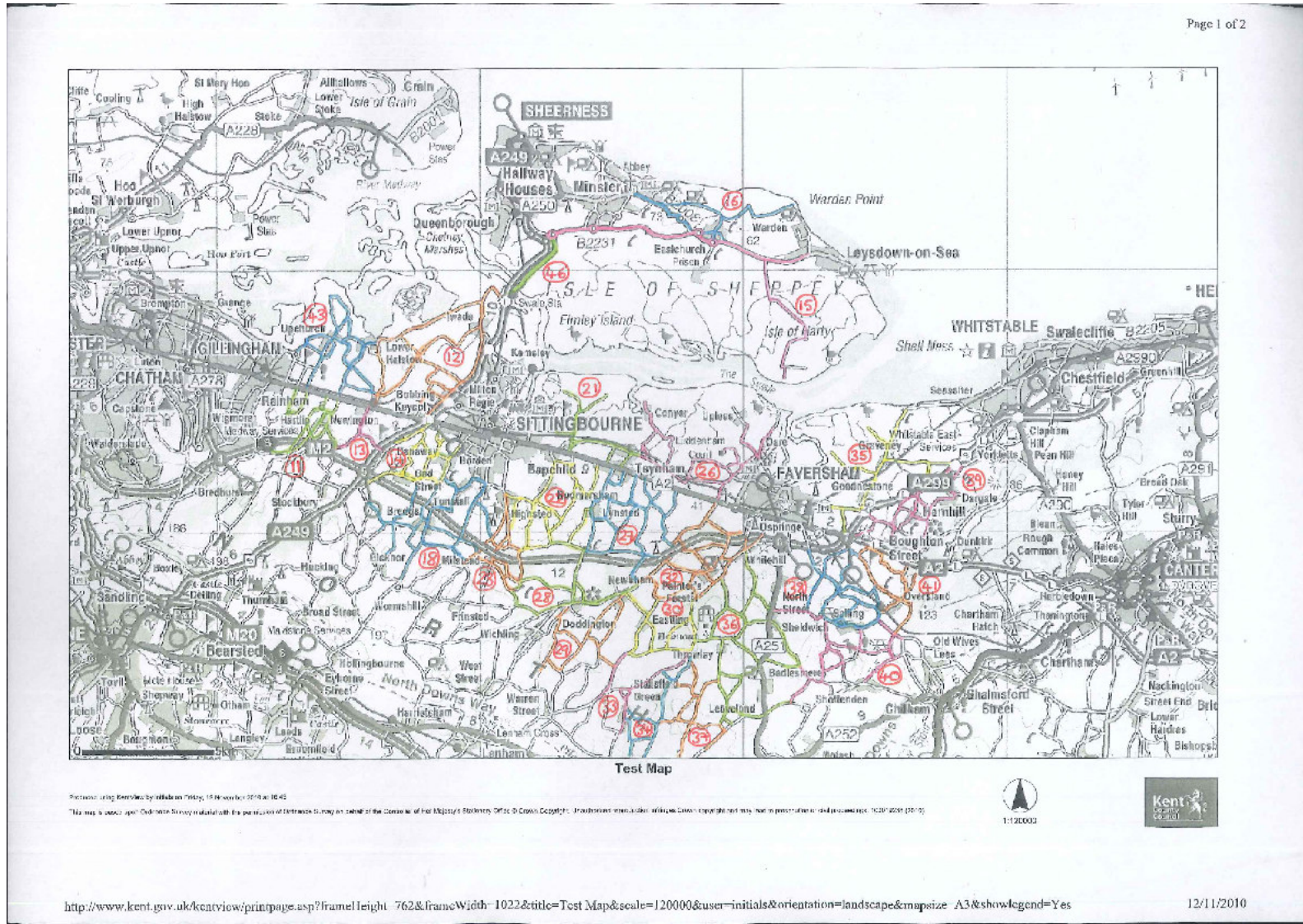
Appendix C2: SALT BIN ASSESSMENT FORM

Location of Salt Bin		Assessment Date	Assessed by	
Characteristic		Severity	Standard Score	Actual Score
(i)	Gradient	Greater than 1 in 15	75	
		1 in 15 to 1 in 29	40	
		Less than 1 in 30	Nil	
(ii)	Severe Bend	Yes	60	
		No	Nil	
(iii)	Close proximity to and falling towards	Heavy trafficked road	90	
		Moderately trafficked road	75	
		Lightly trafficked road	30	
(iv)	Assessed traffic density at peak times	Moderate (traffic group 5)	40	
		Light (traffic group 6)	Nil	
(v)	* Number of premises for which only access	Over 50	30	
		20 - 50	20	
		0 - 20	Nil	
(vi)	Is there a substantial population of either disabled or elderly people	Yes	20	
		No	Nil	
			TOTAL	

* N.B. Any industrial or shop premises for which this is the only access is to be automatically promoted to the next higher category within characteristic (V).

Any site for which the summation of the weighing factors equals or exceeds 120 would warrant the siting of a salt bin.

Appendix D1: FARMER SNOW PLOUGH ROUTE MAP



Appendix E: CLEARING SNOW & ICE YOURSELF – GUIDANCE FOR THE PUBLIC

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Last winter many people helped keep pavements and public spaces around their homes clear of snow. However, many people were put off doing so because of fears of being sued. Read on for advice on your rights and responsibilities when clearing snow and ice from public areas.

The law on clearing snow and ice from public spaces

There is no law stopping you from clearing snow and ice on the pavement outside your property, pathways to your property or public spaces.

If an accident did happen, it's highly unlikely that you would be sued as long as you:

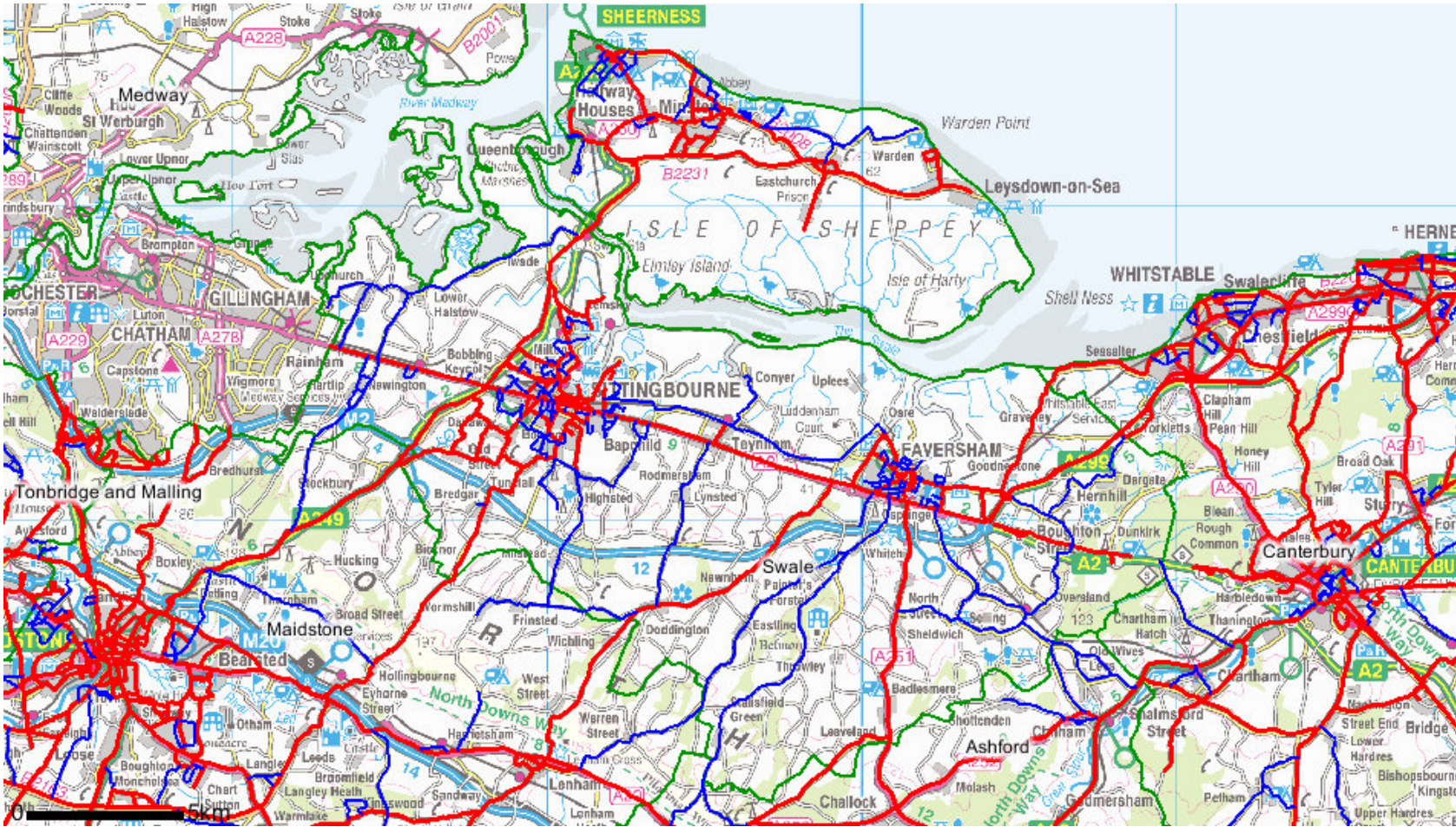
- are careful
- use common sense to make sure that you don't make the pavement or pathway clearly more dangerous than before

People using areas affected by snow and ice also have responsibility to be careful themselves.

Tips and advice on clearing snow and ice

- start early - it's much easier to clear fresh, loose snow compared to compacted ice that has been compressed by people walking on it
- don't use hot water - this will melt the snow, but may replace it with black ice, increasing the risk of injury
- be a good neighbour - some people may be unable to clear snow and ice on paths from their property
- if shovelling snow, think where you are going to put it so that it doesn't block people's paths or drainage channels
- make a pathway down the middle of the area to be cleared first, so you have a clear surface to walk on
- spreading some salt on the area you have cleared will help stop ice forming - table salt or dishwasher salt will work, but avoid spreading on plants or grass as they may be damaged by it
- pay particular care and attention to steps and steep gradients
- use the sun to your advantage - removing the top layer of snow will allow the sun to melt any ice beneath; however you will need to cover any ice with salt to stop it refreezing overnight
- if there's no salt available, sand or ash are good alternatives

Appendix F: MAP OF PRIMARY AND SECONDARY ROUTES – PLEASE USE LINK FOR DETAILS - [HTTP://WWW.KENT.GOV.UK/SALTINGROUTES/MAP.ASPX](http://www.kent.gov.uk/saltingroutes/map.aspx)



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Appendix G: ALPHABETICAL LIST OF ROADS & TRAFFIC CALMING FEATURES

Church Road Murston	Speed cushions and width restriction
Langley road Milton	Speed cushions
Forge lane Upchurch	Traffic calming
Murston Raod Murston	Traffic calming
The Street Bredgar	Traffic calming
Tunstal Road Tunstal	Kerb build outs
The Street Doddington	Traffic calming
Chilton Avenue Sittingbourne	Speed calming
South Avenue Sittingbourne	Traffic calming
Rock Avenue Sittingbourne	Traffic calming
Burley Avenue Sittingbourne	Traffic calming
School Lane Bapchild	Traffic Calming
St George Avenue Isle of Sheppy	Traffic calming
The Leas minster	Traffic calming
Harps Avenue Minster	Traffic calming
New Road Minster	Traffic calming
Warden Bay Road	Traffic calming
Rushenden Road	Traffic calming
Whitstable Road Faversham	Traffic calming

Bysing Wood Lane Faversham	Traffic calming
Oad Street	Traffic calming
Bramblehill Faversham	Traffic calming
Broomfield Road Faversham	Traffic calming
Brewery Road Sittingbourne	Traffic calming
Gadby Road Sittingbourne	Traffic calming
Sandford Road Sittingbourne	Traffic calming
Stanhope Avenue Sittingbourne	Traffic calming
Sydney Avenue Sittingbourne.....	Traffic calming
Sea side Avenue Minster	Traffic calming
High street Eastchurch	Traffic calming
Warden Road Eastchurch	Traffic calming
Leysdown Road Leysdown	Traffic calming
Playstool Road Newington	Traffic calming
Forge Lane Upchurch	Traffic calming
Ferry Road Iwade	Traffic calming
The Street Iwade	Traffic calming
School Lane Iwade	Traffic calming

Appendix I: DISTRICT COUNCIL ACTIONS

Swale Borough Council may supply contract labour, when available, to assist KCC Highways & Transportation operatives to clear town centre paths in a snow emergency.

At such times, salt that is to be spread will be provided from Faversham depot and delivered to agreed locations.

Contact notification address for Swale Borough Council Notification in a snow emergency
severeweather@swale.gov.uk

Appendix J: SNOWEX & HANDSALT ROUTES

Snow clearing by hand and the associated treatment service will be directed initially to town centres and those sites outlined below.

Access to Schools will be cleared as agreed with KCC education service as and when Schools are open
Access to and around doctors' surgeries, nursing homes and retirement homes

The Snowex is a piece of equipment that can be used to convert a flat-bed 7t or 12t vehicle into a spreader that is suitable for use on routes where a traditional spreader would be too large – for example where there are many parked vehicles.

One tonne salt bag sites

Parishes may request a one tonne bag of salt to be delivered to a pre-agreed location at the start of the Winter service season. Last season, the parishes that made such a request were:

Bapchild, Bobbing, Borden, Bredgar, Dunkirk, Eastchurch, Hartlip, Iwade, Leysdown, Lower Halstow, Lynstead & Kingsdown, Milstead, Newington, Newnham, Norton Buckland & Stone, Ospringe, Rodmersham, Sheldwich, Stalisfield, Upchurch, Warden

Swale – Snowex & handsalt routes

Admiral's Walk, Minster
Gaze Hill Avenue, Sittingbourne
Footbridges over railway at Preston
Hilton Close, Faversham
Footbridge over A2 London Road, Faversham by builders merchants/school