

## THAKEHAM PARISH COUNCIL COMMUNITY WINTER PLAN 2016

### Aims and Key Roles

**WSCC:** Provides general advice and coordination; provision of salt supplies, salting and gritting main roads (see map, Appx 1)

**Thakeham Parish:** liaises between residents and WSCC in adverse weather conditions; seeks to maintain access to the village (buses, deliveries and emergency vehicles) and to ensure that people can move safely about the main areas of the village. The Parish Council (as a corporate body) depends on volunteers to undertake snow/ice clearance as its only employee is the Clerk. The parish reviews/updates this plan annually and shares it with WSCC regularly.

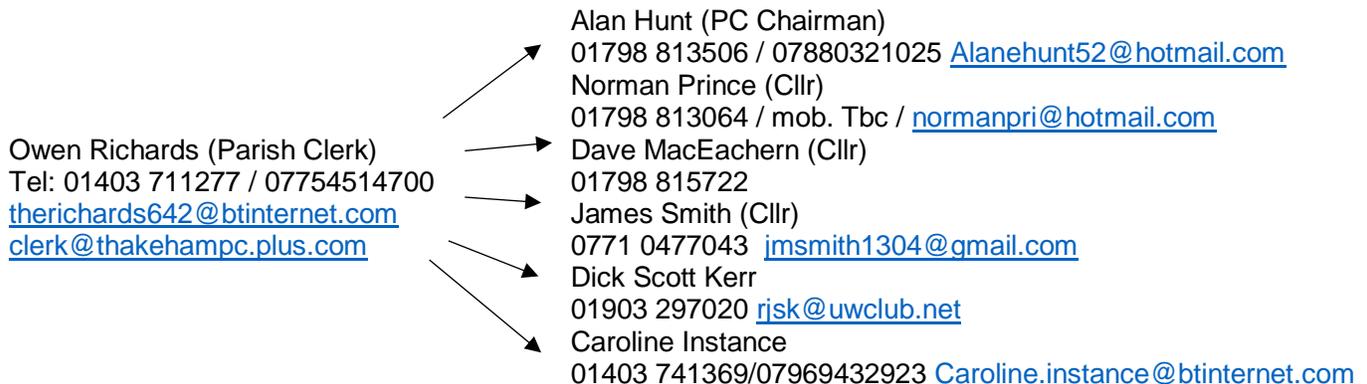
### Coordination/Communications

**WSCC/HDC** single points of contact:

Horsham District Council	Tony Skelding (Emergency Planning Officer) 01403 215125 <a href="mailto:tony.skelding@horsham.gov.uk">tony.skelding@horsham.gov.uk</a>
West Sussex County Council	Dean Wadey (Principle Community Officer) 03302 223849 <a href="mailto:dean.wadey@westsussex.gov.uk">dean.wadey@westsussex.gov.uk</a>

**Daily Decision:** made by the Duty Manager each day between 1<sup>st</sup> Oct and 31<sup>st</sup> April based on available information and states which parts of the Precautionary network is to be treated and when. Information on the decision is available by signing up for WSCCgritting on twitter or [www.twitter.com/wscCGritting](http://www.twitter.com/wscCGritting).

### **Thakeham communications cascade**



**Priority Roads/Areas** See Appendix 1 for routes map

### **WSCC**

A24	Priority 1
B2139 Storrington-Coolham	Priority 2
B2133 Adversane-Ashington	Priority 2
A283 Washington-Pulborough	Priority 2
Rock Road	Priority 3
Rydon School (Entrance)	None, but expect action by Caretaker with WSCC support

*Priority 1= must be kept open; Priority 2=Snow ploughs + double gritting if required; Priority 3=gritting only*

### **TPC**

The Street	Precautionary salting/snow clearance by contractor;
Water Lane, Greenhurst Lane	volunteers for driveway access/pavement clearing
High Bar Lane/Linfield/Furze Common	Volunteers for driveway access/pavement clearing
Sproutes Lane, Sincox Lane	Residents own initiative

**Salt storage areas** (Salt supplied in 1m3 Hippo bags, to be kept under cover, condition ok for 2-3 yrs).

Location	Norm	Current	Shortfall	Contacts	
Thakeham Place Farm, Thakeham, RH20 3EP	6 bags	0	6	Joanne Binnington 01798 812649 <a href="mailto:jib@thakehamfarms.co.uk">jib@thakehamfarms.co.uk</a>	
Monaghans Mushrooms	2 bags	2	0	Chris Clayton 01934854113/07795035081 <a href="mailto:c.clayton@monaghan-mushrooms.com">c.clayton@monaghan-mushrooms.com</a>	
Tesla Engineering Ltd Water Lane Storrington RH20 3EA	2 bags	0	2	Dave Cracknel (0)1903 743941 <a href="mailto:sales@teslamagnets.com">sales@teslamagnets.com</a>	Assisted by: Mike Pope (Place Settings) 01903 743333
Linfield Copse (bin)		Full			
Jct Water Lane/Snapes Rd (bin)		Full			
Abingworth South jct				New for 16/17; to be filled by TPC in 1 <sup>st</sup> instance	

⇒ Replenishment requirements Sept 2016: **8**

### Contractor details for salting/snow clearance routes

(see Appendix 1 for agreed clearance routes and Appendix 3 for current public liability insurance certificates)

Area	Contact
<b>The Street</b> , including: The Street, incl. Thakeham First School St Mary's Church area Crays Lane/Peacocks Lane	Joanne Binnington Thakeham Place Farm 01798 812649 <a href="mailto:jib@thakehamfarms.co.uk">jib@thakehamfarms.co.uk</a>
<b>Water Lane + Greenhurst Lane</b>	Trevor Kensett, Southlands Farm 07860 499162 <a href="mailto:trevorkensett@hotmail.co.uk">trevorkensett@hotmail.co.uk</a>

Other related information	
<b>Emergency Management Headquarters:</b> Parish Office: Sussex mushrooms 01798-815305	<b>4x4 Help</b> Alan Hunt 01798 813506 / 07880321025 <a href="mailto:Alanehunt52@hotmail.com">Alanehunt52@hotmail.com</a>
Village Hall: Sports field, Furze Common. 01798-812678	Norman Prince 01798 813064 / mob. Tbc / <a href="mailto:normanpri@hotmail.com">normanpri@hotmail.com</a>
<b>Generator if HQ without power</b> ; borrow from David Jenkins, Cadrona, Hampers Lane, Storrington RH20 3EX, Tel: 01903 743671 <a href="mailto:david.jenkins@horsham.gov.uk">david.jenkins@horsham.gov.uk</a>	
<b>Helicopter Landing Sites: (see Appendix 1)</b> Sports Field : Furze Common	<b>Volunteers for manual snow clearance*</b> Mark Keenan (The Street)
Rydon School:	Roger Taylor (The Street)
	Fiona McConnachie (The Street)
<b>Emergency Accommodation:</b> Village Hall	Norman Prince (Town House Cottages)
Rydon School	Dave MacEachern (Furze Common Road)
	Edwin Linnell (Furze Common Road)
	Christine Hounslow (Furze Common Road)
<b>Clearance of fallen trees:</b> Paul Goldring 01903-746480 mob:07789-504451	James Smith (Linfields/HBL/Furze Common)
Northwood Forestry: 01798-813029	Neil St Clair (Linfields/HBL/Furze Common)
	Barry Laker (Abingworth area)
	Dick Scott Kerr (Rydon area)
	* Contact details held by the Clerk

# Appendix 1: Thakeham Winter Plan – local gritting/salting/snow clearance routes

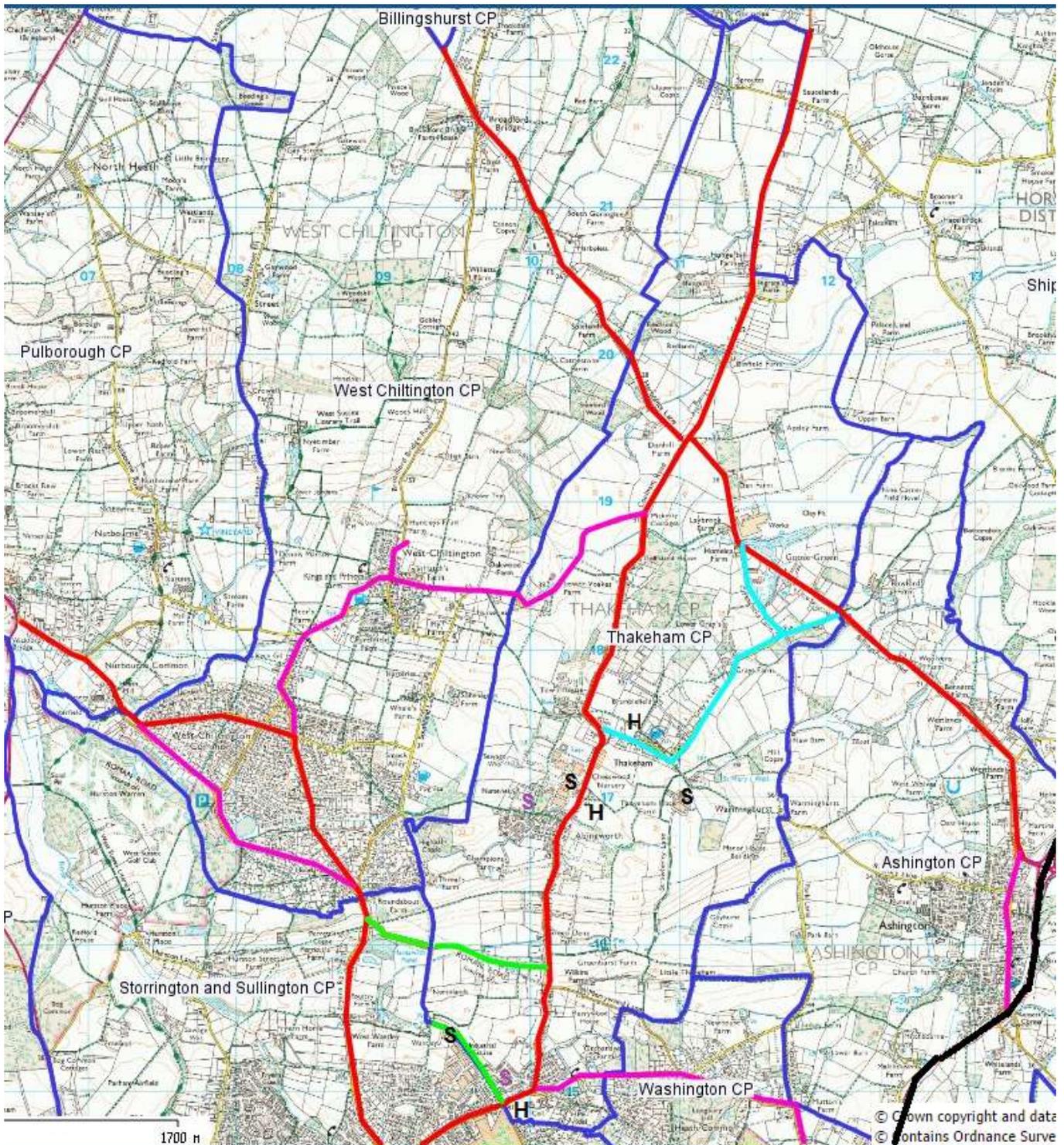
Key: **S** = salt (bags)      **S** = salt (bins)      **H** = Potential helicopter landing site

WSCC gritting routes: **—** = Priority 1    **—** = Priority 2    **—** = Priority 3

**—** = Salting/snow clearance routes agreed with J Binnington (Thakeham Farm)

**—** = Salting/snow clearance routes agreed with T Kensett (Southlands Farm)

**—** = Parish boundaries



## **Appendix 2: Other guidance to volunteers**

### **1. Salt treatment do's and don'ts**

**The legal risk position.** The Ministry of Justice has stated that “The prospects of a person who volunteers to clear snow from a pavement being successfully sued for damages by a person who subsequently slips on the cleared area and is injured are very small”.

A snow-clearer does have a duty to clear with reasonable care so as not to create a new and worse risk, such as piling up a heap of snow that would cause an obstruction or other hazard, or leaving the area in such a condition as to make slips more likely.

Snow is easier to clear when it is fresh than when it has become compacted and frozen. Shovels full of snow are quite heavy and snow clearers should take care that they do not injure themselves. Shovels etc must not be left where they could present a safety hazard to members of the public

#### **Do's**

- Follow the Local Cold Weather Plan
- Move snow to a porous surface such as a grass verge or garden
- Spread salt/grit evenly and at appropriate spread rates (see Annex 8)
- Clear any excess salt or grit once the snow/ ice has melted.

#### **Don'ts**

- Use water to melt snow and ice, if there is a risk it will refreeze,
- Move snow to a location where it will create another risk such as another part of the pavement, road or where people are likely to walk.
- Use excessive salt, grit or other materials so as to create a new or worse risk once the snow/ ice has melted.

#### **Spread rates**

The amount of salt applied to a surface varies depending on the forecasted temperature and conditions.

Typically

- 10 grams of salt is applied to each m<sup>2</sup> of road surface as a precautionary treatment when surface temperatures are forecast to fall between 0°C and -2°C and ice or hoar frost is anticipated.

- 20 grams of salt is applied to each m<sup>2</sup> of road surface as a precautionary treatment when surface temperatures are forecast to fall below -2°C and ice or hoar frost is anticipated.

- 40 grams of salt is applied to each m<sup>2</sup> of road surface as a precautionary treatment when snow is anticipated.

### **2. Vulnerable and housebound residents**

Volunteers involved in snow clearance are asked to be mindful of this issue and to take opportunities that arise in the course of snow-clearing to be pro-active in terms of enquiring whether residents are themselves in a housebound situation, or know of anyone in this situation or otherwise in need help. Knock on doors!

The parish can be contacted for advice and in some cases direct assistance to residents affected in this way (see Communications section on p.1 of this plan).