



PRESS RELEASE

Salt Grit Bins update

Dear Resident,

You may have noticed that Essex County Council (ECC) have removed seven salt grit bins from around Loughton, without notifying Loughton Town Council (LTC) first. LTC has subsequently been informed by ECC that the bins were removed due to them being faulty, which LTC has challenged, and we are trying to get them reinstated.

LTC currently runs a salt bag volunteer scheme, where individual residents can volunteer to collect a bag of salt from LTC, to distribute for their respective road. LTC is reliant on a very limited supply of salt from ECC and does not have the resources or staffing to administer salt for the whole of Loughton, which has such a large infrastructure and a population of over 33k. Unless you are already an existing volunteer, it is unlikely that LTC will be able to assist in the short term.

It is advisable that as an immediate measure, individual households source their own bag of salt for their specific individual use and for their own road.

In the meantime, LTC will continue to pressure ECC for a sustainable and practical longer-term solution.

Mark Squire
Town Clerk
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For further information please contact the Town Clerk on contact@loughton-tc.gov.uk or 0208 508 4200