

REPORT FROM: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES MANAGER

TO: NELSON COMMITTEE

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FUTURE PROVISION OF GRIT BINS

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To advise Members of the need for red grit bins to be either removed from the public highway or maintained and re-filled through different funding streams prior to the onset of winter.

ISSUE

Nelson Committee has previously provided a budget to cover the maintenance and replenishing of 18 red grit bins at the locations listed as follows:

- Corner of Larch Street / Southfield Street
- Corner of Willow Drive/ Pinewood Drive
- Corner of Tavistock Street/ Woodlands Road
- Corner of Beaufort Street/ Chapelhouse Road
- Corner of Beaufort Street / Bradshaw Street
- Corner of Princess Street/ Bentley Street
- Corner of Hereford / Every Street
- Outside Cuba Street carpark
- Corner of Hargreaves Street / Every Street
- Top Alexander Street
- Top Oxford Road
- Corner of Deerstone/ Linkside Avenue
- Corner Dalton Street / Crawford Street
- Corner Bankhouse Road / Cumberland Street
- Corner Edward Street/ Bennett Street
- Corner Waidshouse Close / Clegg Street
- Corner Waidshouse Road / Beaufort Street
- Corner Chapelhouse Road / Railway Street

The area committees of both Nelson and Brierfield and Reedley provided grit bins in response to the County Council's decision to not place additional bins onto the public highway following the introduction of set criteria which the County Council use to assess the need for a grit bin.

Each year, grit bins are checked and filled prior to the onset of winter and dependant on damage found or weather conditions through the winter they may be re-filled December, January and February.

In 2018 Nelson Committee allocated a total of £2,092 to provide grit bins to each ward. At the end of the Municipal year £475.00 remained available.

Members have de-allocated this amount leaving no funding to repair, replace or re-fill grit bins.

Should Members wish to retain the grit bins then funding will need to be made available. Similarly should Members wish for the grit bins to be removed and stored for disposal or re-use at a later date then funding will be required to complete this work. As this is revenue expenditure, it cannot be funded from the Committee's capital programme.

Approximate costs are provided below.

Retain bins as located and replenish through winter = £1,617

Remove, store and dispose of waste materials = £1,000

IMPLICATIONS

Policy:	None directly arising from this report.
Financial:	The financial implications are as indicated in the report.
Legal:	None directly arising from this report.
Risk Management:	None directly arising from this report.
Health and Safety:	None directly arising from this report.
Sustainability:	None directly arising from this report.
Community Safety:	None directly arising from this report.
Equality and Diversity:	None directly arising from this report.