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Maintenance / Refilling of Grit Bins - Church Hill, Hollowell NN6 8RR

Dear Parishioner

Northamptonshire Highways have notified the Parish Council that two of the four grit bins located on Church Hill, Hollowell, will no longer be maintained / refilled and will be removed. (Please see notification overleaf). The two bins being removed are located opposite Hillside Cottage (between Spring Close and the Church) and opposite No. 9, (half way between the Church and the top of Church Hill). This will leave a bin at the bottom (located at the junction of The Green and Guilsborough Hill) and opposite No1 near the Church which Northamptonshire Highways will continue to maintain.

It will assist the Parish Council, in determining an appropriate response to this withdrawal of service, if you contact the Clerk or myself and indicate whether this is a concern (or not) to you and if you support the Council funding the continued maintenance of the bins identified for removal.

There are practical issues affecting the viability of the Parish Council taking responsibility for the two bins (sourcing of salt / grit and actual maintenance / refilling) and Northamptonshire Highways have stated they are not able to continue the maintenance even if the Parish Council provide funding.

The Council will consider this issue at the meeting to be held at 7:30 pm on Wed 12 September 2018 in Hollowell Village Hall and you are welcome to attend.

Yours sincerely

A. G. Crisp Chairman

On behalf of Hollowell & Teeton Parish Council

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Northamptonshire Highways

Hollowell Parish Council Please ask for: Winter Service Team

Mrs Gillian Greaves Tel (01604) 883400

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Northampton Date: 26 August 2018 NN4 6DJ

Dear Mrs Gillian Greaves

As I am sure you are aware we have completed a countywide review of all Northamptonshire County Council owned grit bins to ensure that all grit bins on the highway network meet with the current criteria (further details of the set criteria can be found here): https://www3.northamptonshire.gov.uk/councilservices/northamptonshire-highways/roads-and-streets/gritting/Pages/grit-bins.aspx for a new grit bin to be placed on the highway network the location must achieve 6 points and all existing bins must achieve 5 points.

Please find below a list of all current NCC maintained grit bins in your parish with their scoring and the action we will be taking

Asset No	Location	Sharp Bend	Junction where there is an approach from a gradient from a side road	Steep Gradient (1 in 10)	Not in precautionary network	Proximity of other bins (within 150m)	Community Facilities	Only access road to community	Total score	NCC will continue to maintain and fill
945	Church Hill, Opp no 9 (near speed limit sign)	0	0	1	2	-1	0	1	3	No
946	Church Hill opp no 1	0	0	1	2	0	1	1	5	Yes
947	Church Hill, Opp Hillside Cottage	0	0	1	2	-1	0	1	3	No
948	Church Hill/ Guilsborough Road Jct	0	2	1	2	0	0	0	5	Yes

Where NCC are no longer maintaining a grit bin appropriate arrangement can be made where a Parish takes over the ownership and therefore the replenishment and use of the grit bin. This would entail a transfer of ownership to be agreed. If this is something of interest we are asking the Parish/Community representative to contact us before the 15th September 2018 to avoid the bins being removed.

If you would like to discuss any part of these proposals please do not hesitate to contact us on the above number or by email (northamptonshirewintermaintenance@kierwsp.co.uk).

Yours sincerely,

Severe Weather Team
For and on behalf of Northamptonshire Highways

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