



APSE WINTER CONFERENCE 2020



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## WINTER SERVICE DECISION MAKING







WINTER SERVICE ON FOOTWAYS AND CYCLEWAYS



Key check list:

### **AGENDA**

- ■Planning
- Decision Making
- ■Footways and Cycleways
- Road Weather Information Systems
- •What's new in the NWSRG?



ather Forecasting and Road

## THE NATIONAL WINTER SERVICE RESEARCH GROUP

Section	VI Published date	V2 Published date	Status
I - Foreword and Using the Guide	29/11/2010		Being reviewed
2 - Planning	-	18/05/2020	Complete
3 - De-Icer Types	-	(19/03/2019)	
4 - Salt Storage	29/11/2010	19/03/2019	Complete
5 - Treatment Methods and Technologies	-	19/03/2019	Complete
6 - Spreader Management	02/12/2010	19/03/2019	Complete
7 - Winter Service Decision Making	-		Approved by UKRB (Oct20). Now with UKRLG for Approval
8 - Spread Rates for Precautionary Treatment	06/12/2010	19/03/2019	Complete
9 - Treatments for Snow and Ice	25/01/2011	19/03/2019	Complete
10 - Treatments for Extreme Cold	31/01/2012	19/03/2019	Complete
11 - Winter Service Treatment of Footways and Cycleways	-		With SG for Approval
12 - Weather Forecasting and Road Weather Information	-	14/09/2020	Complete
Systems			
13 - Route Selection and Optimisation	-		Approved by UKRB (Oct20). Now with UKRLG for Approval





# PLANNING FOR WINTER SERVICE DELIVERY



## **PLANNING**



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Statutory duty – Highways Act 1980 Section 41 (1A) etc.

Best Practice Guidance – Well Managed Highways Infrastructure

NWSRG practical guidance for Winter Service

**Local Policy** 

Operational Planning



# PLANNING FOR WINTER SERVICE DELIVERY







## WINTER SERVICE DECISION MAKING



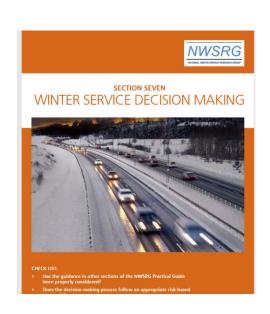
# DECISION MAKING



## **DECISION MAKING**

#### Section 7

- Training and experience
- Relevant pre-determined factors
- Overall scope of treatment decisions
- Considering the weather forecast
- Other factors to be to taken into consideration
- The decision



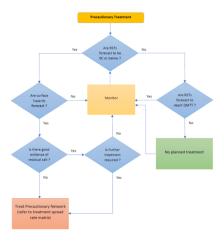


Figure 7.1 - Example Precautionary Treatment Decision Making Flow Chart



## WINTER SERVICE ON FOOTWAYS AND CYCLEWAYS



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## FOOTWAYS AND CYLCLEWAYS



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#### Section 11

- BENEFITS OF TREATING FOOTWAYS AND CYCLEWAYS
- THE PRIORITISATION OF FOOTWAY AND CYCLEWAY TREATMENT ROUTES
- ROUTE SELECTION
- RESILIENCE NETWORK
- BENEFITS OF PRECAUTIONARY TREATMENTS
- THE USE OF WEATHER FORECASTS TO INFORM TREATMENT DECISIONS

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- THE USE OF ROAD WEATHER STATIONS AND SENSORS
- TYPES OF DE-ICER AND SPREADING EQUIPMENT
- FACTORS TO CONSIDER WHEN SELECTING DE-ICERS AND SPREADING EQUIPMENT
- SPREAD RATES AND TREATMENT GUIDELINES
- ADDITIONAL RESOURCE FOR WINTER SERVICE

## WINTER SERVICE ON FOOTWAYS AND CYCLEWAYS



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# WEATHER FORECASTING AND ROAD WEATHER INFORMATION SYSTEMS



#### KEY CHECK LIST:

- Have decision makers undergone suitable training (such as the IHE/NWSRG Winter Service Decision Makers Course and/or other training provided by forecast providers and sensor suppliers)
- Are the most appropriate weather forecasting services being procured?
- Have the potential benefits of increasing the granularity/resolution of forecasts been considered – i.e. domain or route-based forecasts?
- Are conditions being monitored appropriately throughout the forecasting period?

In association with IHE



# ROAD WEATHER INFORMATION SYSTEMS



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TYPES OF ROAD FORECASTING SERVICE

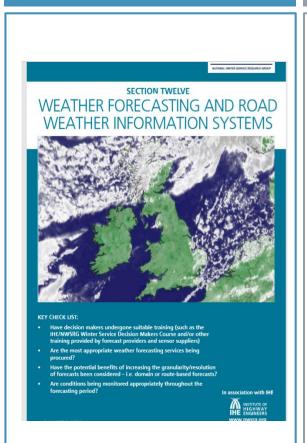
**FORECAST RANGES** 

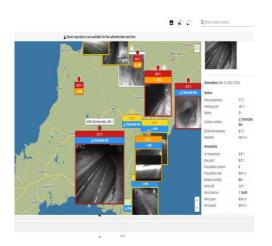
**FORECAST COMPONENTS** 

MONITORING FORECAST PERFORMANCE AND ACCURACY

**ROAD WEATHER STATIONS** 

EMERGING TRENDS AND TECHNOLOGIES







# WHAT'S NEW IN THE NWSRG?

- Membership based organisation
- Funded by members local and national highway authorities
- Funded by Technical Advisory members
- Supported by the Winter Service Industry
- Steering Group reports to UK Roads Board
- IHE Service level agreement in place
- New Constitution in place
- TRL contract ended, opportunity to work with new consultants
- New website in development

UK Roads Board (UKRB) & Association of Directors of Environment, Planning and Transport (ADEPT) Structure Liaison Chart **ADEPT - Engineering UK Roads Board** Committee Footway and Pavement Highways Asset Management Cycleway Management Group NWSRG Group Management Management (ADEPT/TAG) (ADEPT) Group Group Highway HAMFIG Condition +---Roads Board Advisory Group Assessment Group







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