HIGHWAY GRIT BIN REVIEW (2024/25)





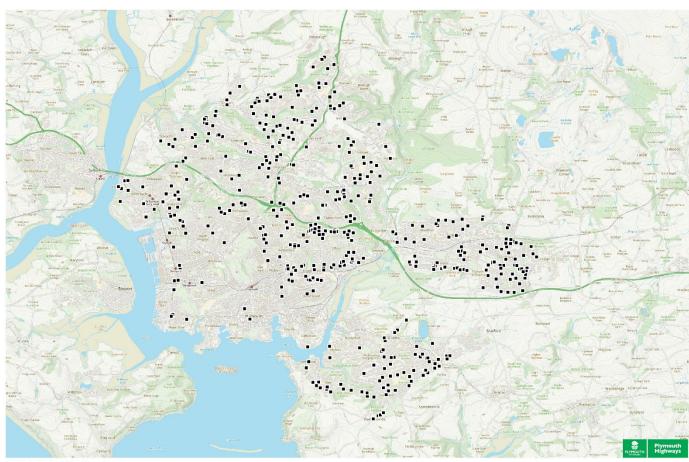
PROVISION OF GRIT BINS



- Winter service period runs from 01/10 to 31/03
- The salt contained in grit bins are intended for use on the public highway during cold weather
- The provision of a grit bin is not a statutory duty
- Only provided where the need is recognised
- Currently there are Councillor requested grit bins (green) and Highways maintained bins (yellow)
- Can be requested by the public and request considered based on criteria

CURRENT GRIT BIN PROVISION (480 NR)





2024 Grit Bin Review Existing Provision

WHAT TRIGGERED THIS PROCESS



- Winter 2022 included a severe cold snap with 594 new requests received (normally around 10)
- Existing grit bin provision very historical with no real reasoning
- Discussed with other Authorities and several policies reviewed to establish our own process
- A need to establish a consistent process to consider new requests for grit bins
- As part of the review we have assessed all known existing grit bin locations using same criteria

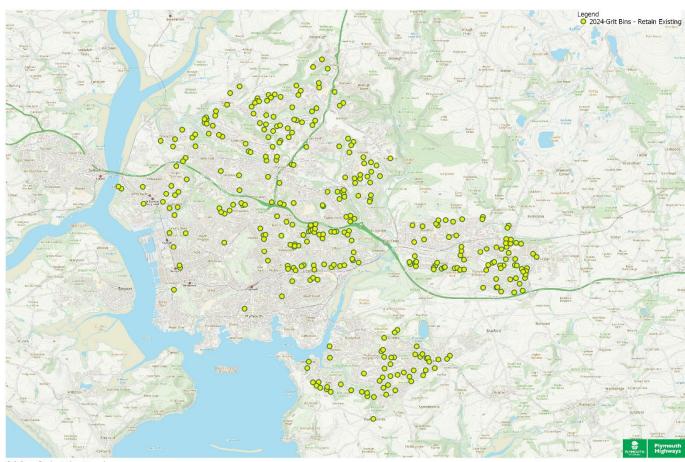
PROPOSED ASSESSMENT CRITERIA



- Is it HMPE?
- Already on a gritting route
- Is it on Resilient Network or traffic sensitive
- Steepness of gradient, falling towards junction, or sharpness of bends, number of premises where this is only access, history of ice or snow related accidents
- Proximity to next closest grit bin
- Presence of schools, designated elderly accommodation, clinic or doctors

OUTCOMES OF REVIEW (RETAIN 368 NR)

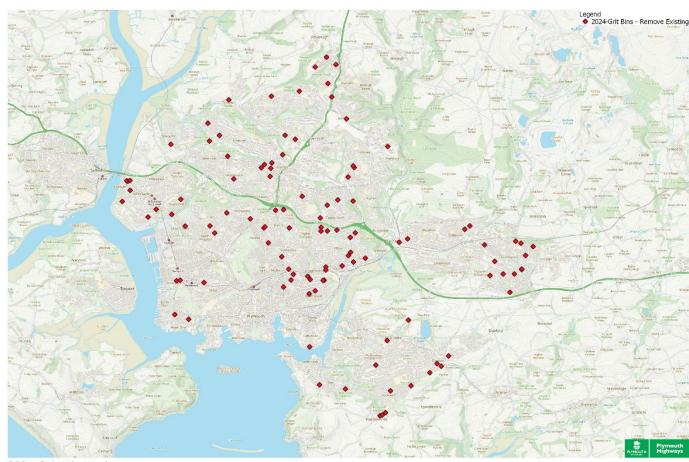




2024 Grit Bin Review Retain Existing

OUTCOMES OF REVIEW (REMOVE 112 NR)

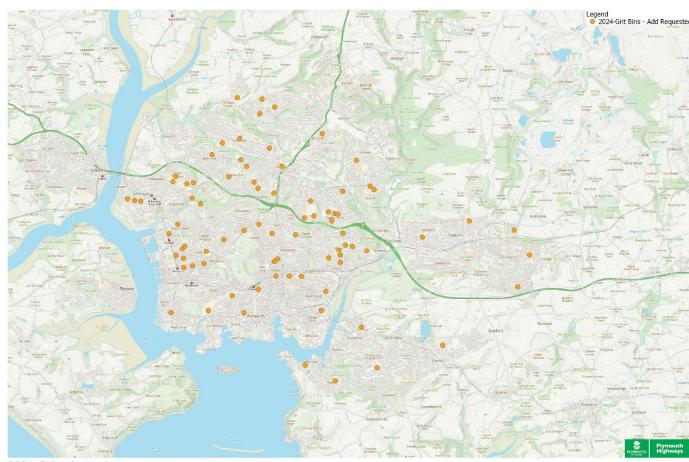




2024 Grit Bin Review Remove Existing

OUTCOMES OF REVIEW (ADDITIONS 81 NR)



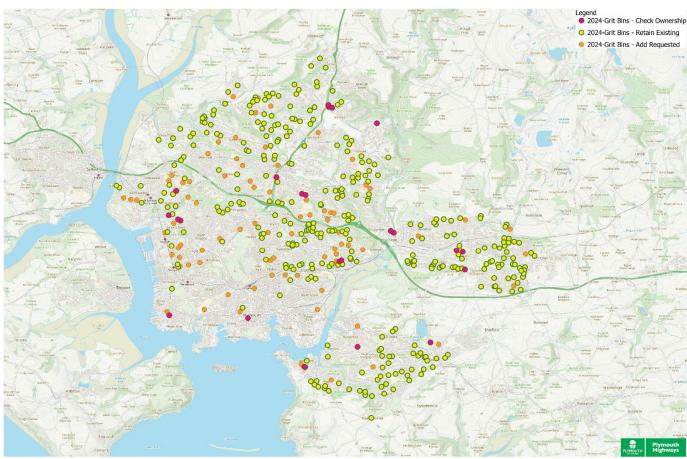


2024 Grit Bin Review Reccomended Additions

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OUTCOMES OF REVIEW (NEW PROVISION)





2024 Grit Bin Review Proposed New Provision

RECOMMENDED OUTCOMES



- Actions detailed in this review adopted in time for Winter season 2025/26
- All grit bins are standardised as yellow with all new requests following this process. No green Councillor grit bins
- Those grit bins where ownership is in question are further reviewed and retained or removed as appropriate
- Further additional review of City Centre grit bins to be undertaken
- Grit bins to be clearly labelled with potential for numbering system as identifier