



Norfolk County Council
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Norwich Area Committee

Date: Thursday 18 November 2010

Time: 6:30pm

Venue: Jubilee Community Centre
Long John Hill
Norwich
NR1 2EX

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Membership

Mr R Bearman (Chairman)
Dr A Boswell
Mr B Bremner
Miss C Casimir
Mr R Edwards
Mr P Hardy
Mr M Hemsley

Mr S Little
Mr G Nobbs
Mr M Scutter (Vice-Chairman)
Ms J Toms
Mr P Wells
Dr F Williamson

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1. To receive apologies for absence

2. Minutes

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To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 14 September 2010.

3. Declarations of Interest

Please indicate whether the interest is a personal one only or one which is also prejudicial. A declaration of a personal interest should indicate the nature of the interest and the agenda item to which it relates. In the case of a personal interest, the Member may speak and vote on the matter. If a prejudicial interest is declared, the Member should withdraw from the room whilst the matter is discussed.

These declarations apply to all those Members present, whether the Member is part of the meeting, attending to speak as a local Member on an item or simply observing the meeting from the public seating area.

4. To receive any items proposed as matters of urgent business

5. Review of Norwich Winter Maintenance Service

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Report by the Head of Transportation, Norwich City Council

6. The Future of Norwich Area Committee

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Report by the Chairman of the Norwich Area Committee

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Head of Democratic Services

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Norwich Area Committee

Minutes of the Meeting Held on Tuesday 14 September 2010
at City Academy, Earlham Road, Norwich

Members of the Committee Present:

Mr R Bearman (Chairman)

Dr A Boswell
Mr R Edwards
Mr M Hemsley

Mr S Little
Mr P Wells

Officers Present:

Adrian Akester	Head of Citywide Services, Norwich City Council
Mark Henderson	Waste Partnership and Strategy Officer, Norfolk County Council
Kristen Jones	Committee Officer, Democratic Services

Others Present:

Graham Fletcher Churches Together

Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman thanked Mr David Brunton, the Principal at the City Academy, for the tour of the buildings prior to the meeting, and the use of the hall for this meeting.

1. Apologies and substitutions

1.1 Apologies were received from Mr Bremner, Miss Casimir, Mr Hardy, Mr Nobbs, Mr Scutter, Ms Toms, and Dr Williamson.

2. Minutes

2.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 13 July 2010 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman, subject to the following amendment at the end of the penultimate bullet point at 6.3:

“Mr Wells asked that the UEA Students Union were included in discussions about buses, as well as the UEA transport officers.”

3. Declarations of Interests

3.1 There were no declarations of interest

4. Items of Urgent Business

4.1 There were no items of urgent business.

5. Maximising Landfill Diversion – Norwich City Council

5.1 The Head of Citywide Services (Norwich City Council) presented his report which updated Members on the introduction of food waste collections in Norwich.

5.2 During the discussion the following points were made:

- The Head of Citywide Service noted that Norwich City Council had become one of the top ten local authorities with the biggest reduction in residual waste and waste sent to landfill.
- It was noted that the Connaught waste management contract had been subcontracted to Verdant and it was expected this contract would carry on as normal.
- Members questioned how waste collection rounds were organised and whether these could be more effectively linked up so that it caused less confusion among residents. The Head of Citywide Services replied that this had been recognised and where possible collection days would be zoned so that all collections would take place on the same day. The food waste collection schedules would be based around the four neighbourhood areas.
- The Head of Citywide Services noted that there were two separate leaflets of information. The leaflet attached to the agenda papers was intended for officers and councillors. A separate leaflet was produced for residents. He added that more comprehensive information would be given to residents as the caddies were delivered.
- In response to a question about the colour of the food waste caddy, the Head of Citywide Services noted that the colour of the food waste caddies was black because this meant that the highest possible percentage of recycled plastic was being used in their production.
- The Head of Citywide Services indicated that within the new contract, contractors would need to return the same bin to the property where they collected it.
- In response to a question about opting out of the food waste collection scheme, the Head of Citywide Services noted that all residents of Norwich would be receiving a food waste caddy. It was more costly to establish an administration procedure for residents to

opt out than it was to produce and deliver the caddies themselves. In addition, once residents have the caddies, even though they may have felt like they would not have participated, they may decide to try it and find that it is a useful service.

- The Waste Partnership and Strategy Officer (Norfolk County Council) noted that other district councils, such as North Norfolk and King's Lynn were looking at collecting food waste either separately or combined with garden waste as part of their current procurement of a new waste and recycling contract.
- The Head of Citywide Services noted that this year Norwich City Council expected to increase its recycling rate to 40% by the end of the year and to 55% by the end of next year.
- The Head of Citywide Services discussed the 'yellow' and 'red' card scheme used throughout the city for residents who contaminate their recycle bins.
- Members discussed the issue of recycling plastics. The Waste Partnership and Strategy Officer mentioned that the Norfolk Waste Partnership conference would be taking place on 21 October 2010 with a keynote speaker from the Department for Farming and Rural Affairs (DEFRA). One of the main topics of discussion would be on recycling plastic in Norfolk.
- Regarding funding for the food waste scheme, the Head of Citywide Services noted that funding was in place for the project and had been helped by the enhanced recycling credit scheme from Norfolk County Council.
- Members questioned the suitability of the refuse vehicles used by the Norwich City Council's contractor. The Head of Citywide Services replied that the contractor had a variety of different vehicles and he believed that there was a good mix of vehicles to cover the needs of the city.
- Members questioned what happened with the food waste produced from the Norwich Market. The Head of Citywide Services responded by saying that he would look into this helpful suggestion.
- Members agreed that a positive way forward would be to put a value on waste, such as in other countries where consumers paid a deposit on the packaging whether it is a glass bottle or can.

5.3 The Chairman thanked the officers for attending and for the report.

6. Future Meetings and Topic Programme

6.1 It was suggested that the Norwich Area Committee look at Norwich's role

within the place based budgeting planning and the budget savings this could achieve.

- 6.2 Members wished to have the January 2011 meeting in the City Centre.
- 6.3 Mr Edwards agreed to pass the Committee Officer further details regarding the Community Nurses item to follow up for a future meeting.
- 6.4 The next meeting of the Norwich Area Committee would take place at the **Jubilee Community Centre, Long John Hill, Norwich** at 6:30pm on Thursday 18 November 2010.
- 6.5 The Chairman would consult all the committee members with a view to holding future meetings regularly at County Hall, as this would lead to cost savings and committee officer time savings.

The meeting concluded at 8:05pm.

CHAIRMAN



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**Review of Norwich Winter Maintenance Service –
Norwich City Council**

Summary

This report looks back at the 2009/10 winter maintenance season and highlights improvements and efficiencies that have been made for the 2010/11 season.

Members are requested to note the content of this report.

1. Winter Maintenance in Norwich 2009/10

- 1.1 Following an early season calm (only one gritting action before 10 December 2009), last winter proved to be of about a 1 in 30 year severity. This followed the previous winter which was of 1 in 20 year severity. Of particular difficulty were the days when road surface temperatures didn't rise above freezing after snow which lead to icy condition off the treated network.
- 1.2 CityCare and their staff, in their last season of winter service provision for Norwich, performed with credit. Over 99% of the 1033 routes treated were completed within the 3 hour target despite particularly testing conditions. Generally, the treated network was kept open and passable with care throughout the winter. Only in the heaviest snowfall did the treated inclines such as Grapes Hill, Farrow Road and Ketts Hill become briefly impassable until further treatment was carried out and the salt took effect.
- 1.3 CityCare also kept the grit bins of Norwich topped up, completing all refills by the end of the following working day from a refill request being made. Grit bins had a lesser role in the provision of winter service before last season. However, they played an important part in keeping Norwich moving as safely as possible last winter. The severe weather conditions experienced are also reflected in the 88 requests for new grit bins compared with the usual figure around 10. Consideration of these requests is covered later in this report
- 1.4 In addition to grit bin requests, the council also received requests to add roads to the treated network. During the severe weather just before and after Christmas, the third priority (P3) network was treated on 4 occasions. However, when government restrictions on the use of salt were brought in during January, treatment of P3 roads had to cease. This gave some residents living on P3 roads concern during the difficult road conditions in early February.
- 1.5 Although salt stocks in Norwich (and Norfolk) were severely tested last winter, contingencies to treat a more limited network of main roads did not have to be implemented. One important reason for this was the Private Finance Initiative (PFI) contract between Norfolk County Council and Salt Union which helped to guarantee salt stocks.

2. Winter Maintenance in Norwich 2010/11

- 2.1 The winter maintenance service in Norwich for the coming season will be provided by May Gurney, through the Norfolk County Council Highway Strategic Partnership. Some of the CityCare staff involved in winter maintenance last season have transferred across to May Gurney and will continue to be involved in providing the service.

3. City Routes

- 3.1 With only two exceptions, it is proposed to treat the same network of roads this winter as last. The only road to be moved from the second priority (P2) network to the P3 network is Violet Road. This is because on 21 occasions (24%) last winter, gritting vehicles were unable to pass through Violet Road due to parked vehicles on the bend. This caused significant disruption to gritting operations. A grit bin will be located on the steepest part of Violet Road near the bend as an alternative.
- 3.2 Southwell Road will be added to the P2 network (from the P3 network). It is an important bus link and with route optimisation it is now located on one of the routes.
- 3.3 County and City gritting operations will continue to cross boundaries where it is efficient and practical to do so.
- 3.4 Detailed work has been carried out to optimise the treated route network in Norwich. In previous seasons, CityCare operated 6 gritting vehicles and held one spare gritting vehicle in case of breakdowns and accidents. By treating the top priority P1 and P2 roads together in as efficient a way as possible, it has been possible to reduce the number of gritting vehicles required to 5. In addition, the spare gritting vehicle will be provided by the Norfolk Strategic Partnership pool as part of the Norfolk wide provision rather than as a specific Norwich provision. The reduction of two gritting vehicles will translate into a financial saving in the region of £40,000 this season.
- 3.5 The use of the brine sprayer for City centre footways will continue.
- 3.6 There is a higher risk with the reduced number of gritting vehicles that more actions may take over the 3 hour target time to complete. This will be monitored throughout the coming winter and route adjustments made if necessary.

4. Grit Bins

- 4.1 The City Council maintained 219 grit bins around Norwich last winter. Norfolk County Council through the PFI contract and Highway Agency agreement supplied the salt and sand that filled the grit bins. The material left at the end of last winter has been retained to refill bins this coming season.
- 4.2 During the salt shortage last season, the grit bins around Norwich were refilled with sand. Sand assists with providing some grip on ice and helps break up the ice when worked in by vehicular traffic. However, the sand does not thaw the

ice and was ineffective during the severe freezing temperatures of February this year. This meant that CityCare had to be called out to spread salt on shaded steep slopes. As sand proved ineffective throughout Norfolk, it was decided at the Norfolk County Council Winter review to fill all grit bins with a salt/sand mix throughout the coming winter season.

- 4.3 As previously mentioned, there were 88 requests to the council for additional grit bins this coming season. Grit bins are usually provided where there is a clear risk of ice causing a significant hazard such as a steep slope or bend. A process of assessing all requests alongside existing provision has been carried out taking account of local topography, proximity to gritting routes or other grit bins and maintaining access for vulnerable groups such as near sheltered housing. 14 of the requests for new locations were accepted. The full list of grit bin locations is appended to this report.

5. Snow Clearance by Residents

- 5.1 Following reports last winter that residents might risk being held liable for their actions in clearing the footway outside their address should someone slip on that section of footway, clarification will be published in both County and City publications such as Citizen. In addition, both County and City websites will communicate clear advice on this matter. The message will be that all reasonable actions to clear snow from highway footpaths near a resident's property can be taken and will be appreciated, without the risk of prosecution.

6. Salt Stocks

- 6.1 May Gurney will run winter maintenance operations around Norwich from the Mile Cross Depot for the 2010/11 season.
- 6.2 Salt Union have completed initial deliveries for the coming season and there are now over 2800 tonnes of rock salt at Mile Cross Depot. Nominally 1500 tonnes are for use in Norwich with the remaining salt, part of Norfolk County Council's strategic stockpile. About 1700 tonnes was used throughout last winter season in Norwich. Salt Union will make additional deliveries during the season as required.

7. Winter Services Disability Impact Assessment for Norwich

- 7.1 A disability impact assessment (DIA) has been completed for winter maintenance provision in Norwich. The main outcome from this was to prioritise service provision for footways near where vulnerable groups are likely to use the highway.

8. Winter Maintenance provision in Norwich from 2011/12

- 8.1 Winter maintenance provision in Norwich will be considered as part of the review of the Norwich Highway Agency agreement. The conclusions of this consideration will be reported to the January meeting of this committee.
- 8.2 There is an intention by the City Council to sell the Mile Cross Depot. Work is underway to identify a new site within Norwich to accommodate salt storage

and winter maintenance operations beyond the forthcoming season. It is considered that the County depot at Ketteringham does not have sufficient capacity to service the City area. The County depot at Aylsham would give logistical problems in servicing the City area.

9. Financial Consequences

- 9.1 Optimisation of the routes taken by gritting vehicles in Norwich has meant that one less gritting vehicle will be used during this coming season (5 vehicles instead of 6, plus the brine sprayer). In addition, if a replacement gritting vehicle is required due to breakdown etc., the City gritting fleet will be temporarily supplemented using Norfolk County Council plant rather than maintaining another spare vehicle in Norwich.

10. Strategic Priority and Outcome/Service Priorities

- 10.1 The report helps to meet the strategic priority “Safe and healthy neighbourhoods – working in partnership with residents to create neighbourhoods where people feel secure, where the streets are clean and well maintained, where there is good quality housing and local amenities and where there are active local communities” and the service plan priority.

11. Officer Contact

- 11.1 If you have any questions about matters contained in this paper please get in touch with:

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Head of Transportation, Norwich City Council



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Appendix 1

List of grit bin locations for 2010/11 winter season

1. Airedale Close - Drayton Road - Near Lamp column
2. Albany Road - Top end by bollards
3. Ambrose Close - Next to car park
4. Argyle Street - Outside no 56
5. Argyle Street - Outside Normandie Tower
6. Aspland Road - At turning head
7. Avenue Road - Park Lane - Outside Church
8. Avenue Road - Swansea Road
9. Beaconsfield Road - Magdalen Road - alongside no 13
10. Bek Close - Next to No 24
11. Beloe Avenue on cycle way near no.130
12. Bendish Way - Opposite Layer Close
13. Berners Street - next to steps
14. Birkbeck Road - Keyes Road
15. Black Horse Opening - Near old peoples home
16. Blakeney Close - Outside No 29
17. Borrowdale Drive - Car park steps to shops
18. Bowers Ave - Boundary Road - just off footway near playground
19. Braeford Close - Clovelly Close - Outside No 11 Braeford Close
20. Brentwood - On bend outside No 7
21. Burhill Close - Turning head
22. Buxton Road - Waterloo Road
23. Cadge Road - Dereham Road
24. Cambridge Street - Unthank Road
25. Camp Grove - Sub Station
26. Carrow bridge/Carrow rd - next to bridge house (salt only)
27. Carrow Hill - King Street - Outside "The Old School House"
28. Carrow Road - Railway bridge - near Hardy Road steps
29. Cattle Market Street - Outside St Peters House
30. Chalk Hill Road - Riverside Road
31. Chamberlin Road - Blyth Road
32. Chapelfield Road - Walpole Gardens - Top of ramp to subway
33. Chestnut Hill - Opposite No 34
34. Christchurch Road - Highland Avenue - Outside No 76
35. Churchill Road - Sprowston Road
36. Clover Hill Road at start of cycle way
37. College Road - Unthank Road
38. Colman Road - Bunnett Square - Next to Chemist
39. Conesford Drive - Bracondale - On verge
40. Connaught Road - Sandringham Road
41. Connaught Road - Stafford Street
42. Cotman Rd - Outside no 10
43. Cranage Road - Fitzgerald Road
44. Cresswell Close - Bland Road
45. Crome Road - Romany Road
46. Crome Road - Mousehold Avenue
47. Cunningham Road - Friends Road
48. Dell Crescent - Dereham Road - Next to garages on bend
49. Denbeigh Road - Havelock Road
50. Dereham Road - The Loke - Next to steps
51. Douro Place - Next to bench
52. Dover Street - Portersfield Road
53. Dover Street - Unthank Road
54. Duverlin Close - Greenways - On path against No 12
55. Eade Road - Angel Road
56. Earlham Road - Next to footbridge
57. Edmund bacon Court - Aylsham Road
58. Ellcar Rise - Greenways - Next to School entrance
59. Elm Grove Lane - by steps near No 53
60. Elstead Close - Lindford Drive
61. Elveden Close - Newmarket Road - outside No 6
62. Fishers Lane - Turning head
63. Foster Road -Brightwell Road
64. Foulgers Opening - Ber Street - On Junction
65. Fountains Road - Nr Ipswich Road ramp
66. Fulton Close - Greenways - On path against School fence
67. Galley Hill - On hill opposite No 11
68. Gas Hill - Riverside Road
69. Gas Hill - St Lenoards Road
70. Gentry Place - Next to School entrance
71. Gertrude Road - Lavengro Road
72. Gildencroft - Outside flats
73. Glebe Road - Unthank Road
74. Gloucester Street - Leicester Street - outside old scout hut
75. Goodhale Road
76. Green hills Road - St Martins Road
77. Gurney Road - Heathgate
78. Gurney Road (Mousehold heath) on "Z" bend (salt only)
79. Harpsfield - Opposite Hudson Way

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80. Harvey Lane - Next to park entrance
81. Harwood Road - Mansfield Lane
82. Hay Hill - Outside St Peter Mancroft, Opposite side of 'Next'
83. Heathside Road - Thorpe Road
84. Heigham Grove - Earlham Road
85. Heigham Grove - On verge against kerb cul-de-sac end
86. Hellesdon Hall Road - Frensham Road
87. High Green - Telegraph Lane East
88. Hill House Road - Beatrice Road
89. Hill House Road - Ella Road
90. Hillmead - Beside No 41 near garages
91. Hillmead - Catton Grove Road
92. Holmwood Rise - Harvey lane - outside No 6
93. Hooper Lane - Showmans Guild entrance
94. Horn Pie Road
95. Horns Lane - Ber Street - Half way down hill
96. Hudson Way nr Harpsfield
97. Jex Road - Jex Lane
98. Jex Road - On Bend near No 100
99. Jex Road - At Jex Avenue junction(moved from on bend opposite No 118)
100. Junction Road - Berners Street
101. Ketts Hill - Spitalfields
102. Kingswood Close - Outside No 15
103. Kirklees - Against fence near No 17
104. Knowlsley Road - Magdalen Road
105. Lavengro Road - South of Mousehold Avenue
106. Lincoln Street - Portersfield Road
107. Lincoln Street - Unthank Road
108. Lindford Drive - Against wall near No 71
109. Lindford Drive - Against wall rear of 81
110. Lower Clarence Road - Next to Station entrance
111. Lusher Rise - On corner of junction
112. Mansfield Lane - Barrett Road
113. Manthorpe Close - Sandy Lane - outside No 12
114. Maple Drive - Waterworks Road
115. Mariners Lane - Parking area at bottom of the hill
116. Marion Road - St Leonards Road
117. Marlborough Road - Magdalen Road
118. Marston Lane (cul-de-sac) - Side of No 20
119. Merrow gardens - At end of cul-de-sac to the rear of No 5
120. Merrow Gardens - Buckland Rise
121. Millcroft - Afghan Place
122. Millers Lane - Pelham Road
123. Montgomery Close
124. Mount Pleasant - Passed Pub near bend
125. Mousehold Avenue - Gurney Road
126. Music House Lane - Next to Pay & Display machine
127. Nasmith Road - On corner near No 50
128. Netherwood Green - Outside No 149
129. Norman Buildings - Stepping Lane
130. North Park Avenue -On pathway outside No 20
131. Northcote Road - Sprowston Road
132. Northfields - side of garages behind flats 72 - 92
133. Notridge Road - Outside Lambert House
134. Offley Court - On left
135. Onley Street - Leicester Street - Next to play area
136. Opie Street - Castle Meadow - Outside "Castle Chambers"
137. Orford Hill - Red Lion Street - Top of cobble area
138. Osbourne Road - Top of hill opposite No 6
139. Paradise Place - Thorn Lane
140. Paragon Place - On pathway near subway
141. Parsons Mead - O/S 29
142. Partridge Way - O/S 1
143. Patterson Road - Angel Road
144. Pelham Road - Sun Lane
145. Pettus Road - Cul-de-sac near No 99
146. Philadelphia Lane - Catton Grove Road
147. Pitt Street - St Crispins Road - Next to Subway
148. Plantsman Close - T junction
149. Portersfield Road - Warwick Street
150. Portland Street - Portersfield Road
151. Portland Street - Unthank Road
152. Purtingay Close - Greenways - Against fence next to school entrance
153. Quebec Road - Ketts Hill - next to garages
154. Ramsey Close - By steps at turning head
155. Recreation Road nr Earlham Road
156. Red Cottage Close - Valpy Avenue
157. Robson Road - Bevan Close
158. Robson Road - Wilberforce Road
159. Romany Road - Outside 90-92

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160. Ropemakers Row - Drayton Road - Halfway up on right
161. Rose Valley - Unthank Road - Next to car park
162. Sarah Williman Close - George Fox Way - On shrub area
163. Sherbourne Place - King Street - Next to Parking area
164. Skelton Road - Paine Road
165. Solome Road / Drayton Road - on pathway
166. Southerwood - behind street name plate
167. Southgate Lane - Bracondale
168. Spencer Street - Brandford Road
169. Spindle Road - Next to No 23
170. St Andrews Hill - St Andrews Street - On corner
171. St Giles Street - Underneath City Hall clock tower
172. St James Close - Mousehold Street
173. St John Maddermarket - On corner near pump
174. St Lawrence Lane - Pottergate - side of Kiln House
175. St Leonards Road - On cobbles outside flats
176. St Martin's Close - Grass area
177. St Marys Road - St Martin's Road
178. St Matthews Road - Riverside Road
179. St Mildreds Road - Opposite No 96
180. St Peters Street
181. St Stephens Street - Queens Rd Roundabout - Ramp to underpass
182. St Thomas Road - Edinburgh Road
183. Stafford Street - Belvoir Street
184. Stanley Avenue - Harvey Lane
185. Stone Road - Sheltered Housing
186. Stylman Road - on bend
187. Stylman Road - opp Harris Mews
188. Swafield Street on cycle way near no.67
189. Taylor Road - Wilberforce Road
190. Telegraph Lane East - Wellesley Avenue South
191. Telegraph Lane West - Telegraph Lane East
192. The Swale
193. Toftes Place - Shrub area outside No's 3 & 4
194. Tollhouse Road - Dereham road - On junction near to No 386
195. Tollhouse Road - Near No 6
196. Tolye Road - Opposite houses
197. Tolye Road - Thacker Way
198. Trinity Street - Unthank Road
199. Tuckswood Centre - Maid Marion Road - Next to post box
200. Turner Road - Outside School entrance
201. Upper St Giles / Grapes Hill - Next to footbridge
202. Vale Green - Rear of No 78
203. Valleyside Road - Lloyd Road
204. Violet Road - On bend
205. Waterloo Park Avenue - On verge to the side of 81 Aylsham Road
206. Weavers Lane - Hay Hill - Behind 19/20 Haymarket
207. Webdell Court
208. Wellington Lane / St Benedicts Street - by City Wall
209. Westwick Street - St Margarets Alley
210. Whiffler Road - At turning head by lamp column 2733 (rear of Busseys)
211. Whistlefish Court
212. Whitethorn Close - Next to shrub area
213. Whitwell Road - Ketts Hill
214. Willow Lane - Cow Hill
215. Woodcock Road - Catton Grove Road - near shops
216. Woodcock Road - On grass verge outside 166
217. Woodhill Rise
218. Woodrow Place - On pathway near garages
219. Wordsworth Road - nr Rockingham Road
220. Wren Close - Ruge Drive - Outside No 18
221. York Street - Unthank Road

Winter Service 2010-11



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City Agency Manager

Legislation Background

- ❖ A new duty was contained in Section 111 of the Railways & Transport Safety Act 2003. It was enabled and became effective on the 31 October 2005.
- ❖ Section 41 of the Highways Act was amended to expressly include snow and ice in the Highways Authority's statutory duty to maintain the highway as follows:-

" (IA) In particular, a highway authority are under a duty to ensure, so far as is reasonably practicable, that a safe passage along the highway is not endangered by snow or ice."

Meaning

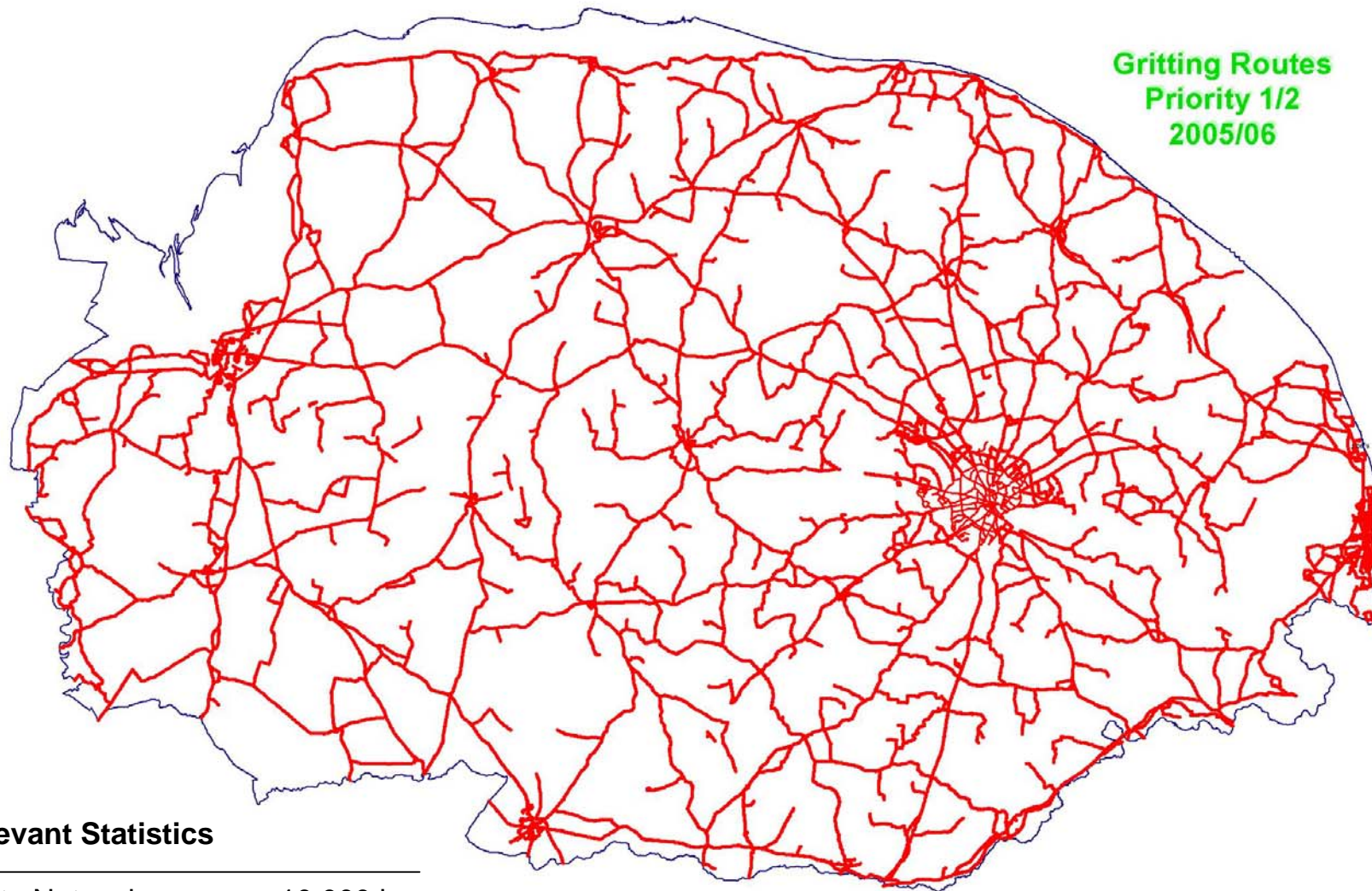
- ❖ The new legislation does not impose an absolute duty but rather involves a balance between the degree of risk and the steps necessary to eliminate risk.
- ❖ Section 58 of the Highways Act 1980 will continue to be the means for future defence in action against a highway authority for damages for non-repair.

Whereby it shall be defence to show that the road was kept in reasonable repair, having regard to the traffic using it, the standard of maintenance appropriate to its use, and public safety. This establishes the principle of maintaining roads according to their functional importance.

What do we do to assess & reduce

- ❖ Utilisation of Section 13 of the Code of Practice for Maintenance Management - *Proven Best Practise*
- ❖ Robust Winter Service Operational Plan & Procedures
- ❖ Prioritising the Highway Network for precautionary gritting
- ❖ Establish good communication links of service provision:
 - ❖ Television
 - ❖ Radio Stations
 - ❖ Newspapers
 - ❖ Leaflets
 - ❖ Internet Sites





Gritting Routes
Priority 1/2
2005/06

Relevant Statistics

Route Network	: 10,000 km
Gritting Routes	: 3,200 km
Population	: 800,000

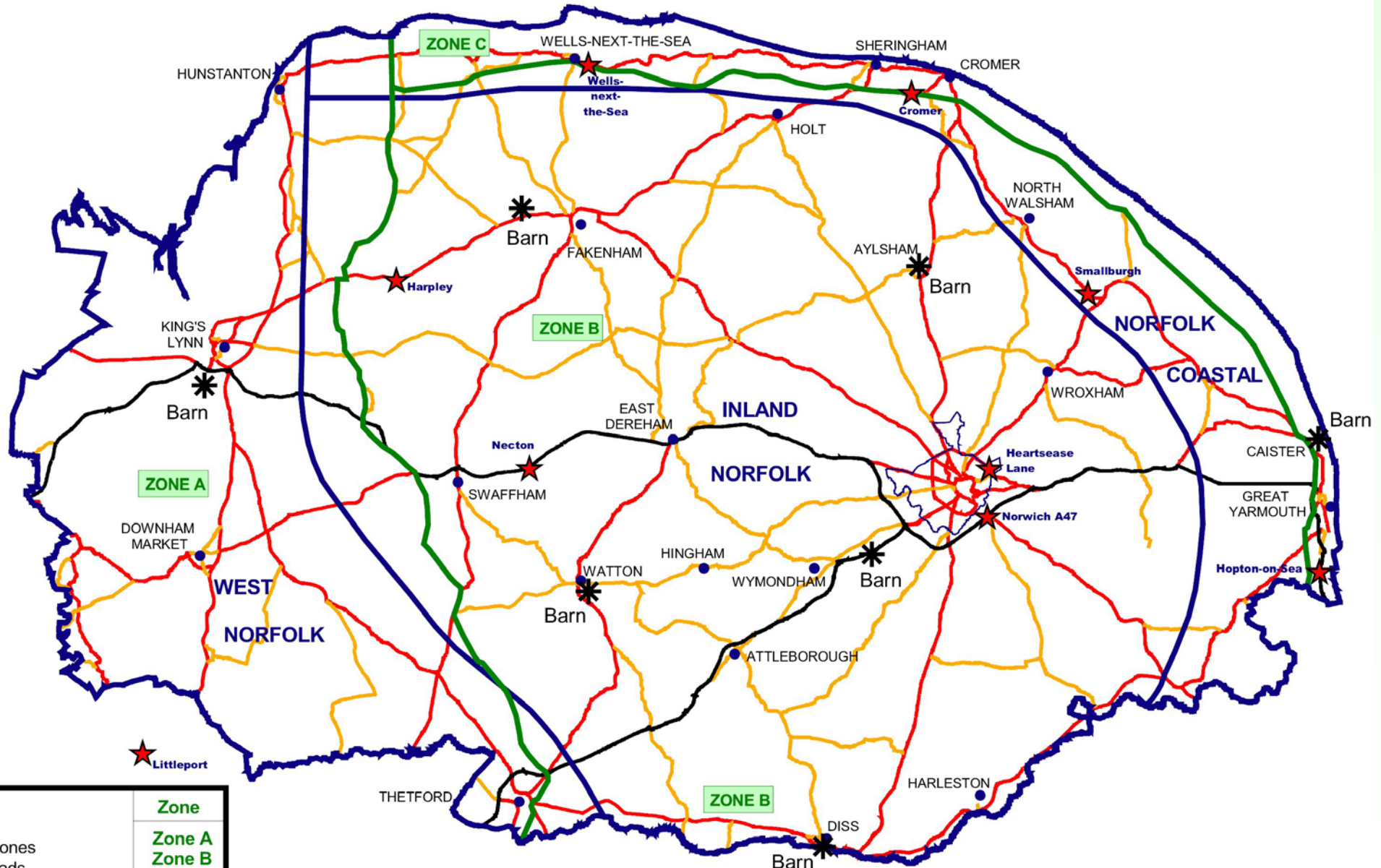
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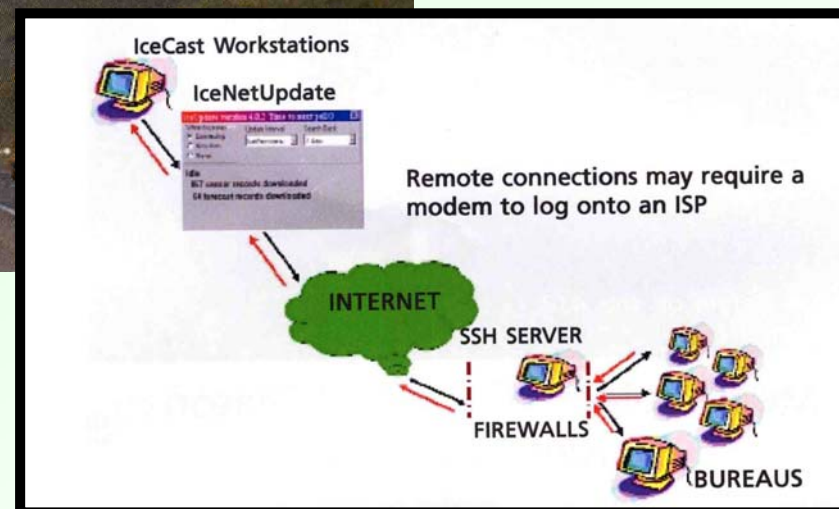
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2. Contacts
3. Duty Manager Notes
4. A3 P1/P2/P3 Route Plans
5. King's Lynn
6. Ketteringham/ Diss
7. Watton
8. Aylsham
9. Sculthorpe
10. Caister
11. Snow Emergency
12. Standard Forms - 'Examples'
13. Norwich City Council Winter Service Plan
14. Farmers/Contractors Schedule and Plan
Gritter Plough Schedule
Lorry Fleet Schedule
15. Heavy Plant Schedule
16. Grit Bins
17. Ice Detectors
18. Training

Appendix F. Winter Maintenance Gritting Zones and Weather Forecast Domains

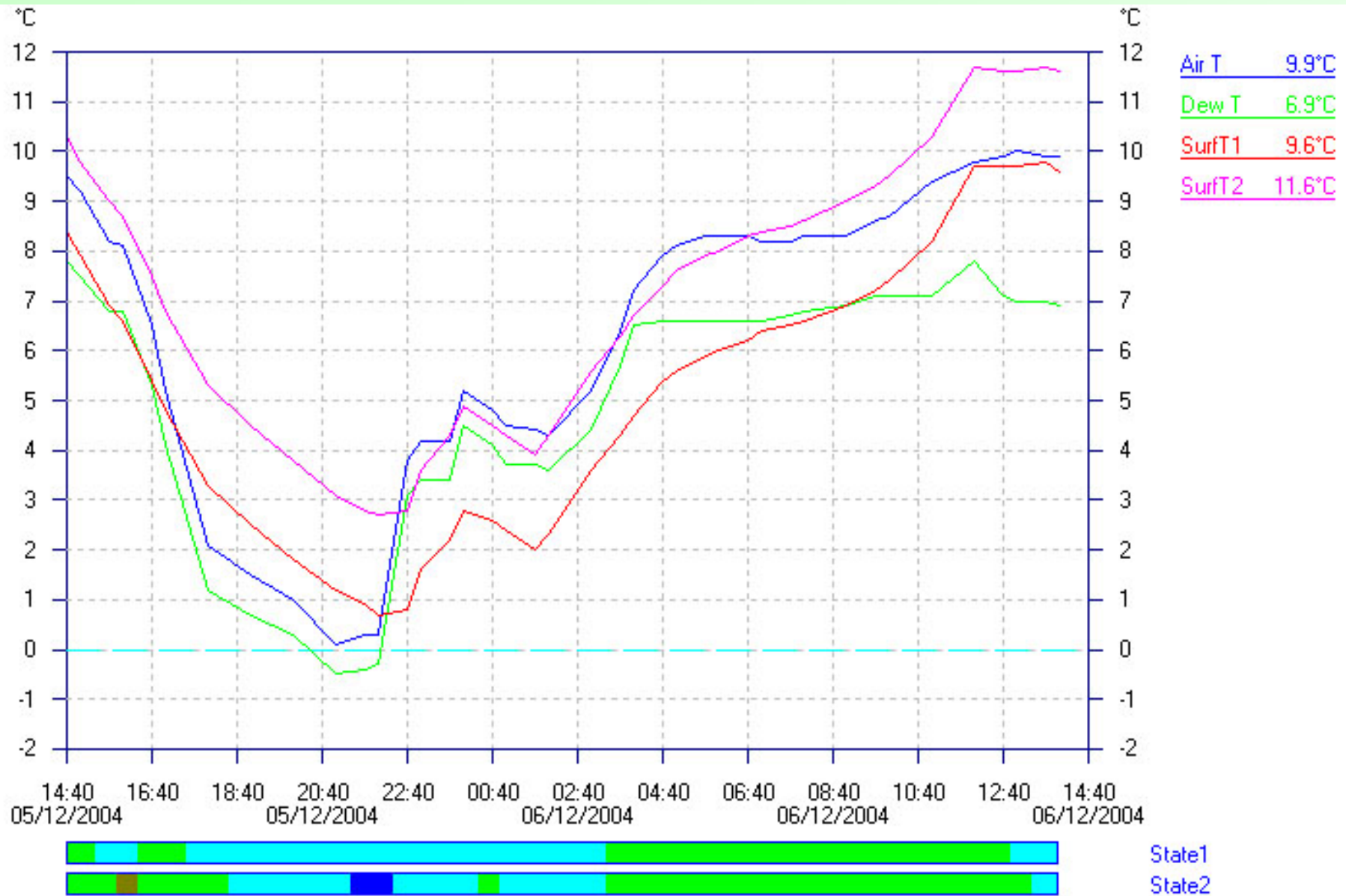


	Towns	Zone
	Domains	Zone A
	Gritting Zones	Zone B
	Trunk Roads	Zone C
	B Roads	
	A Roads	
	Barns	
	Ice Detector Stations	

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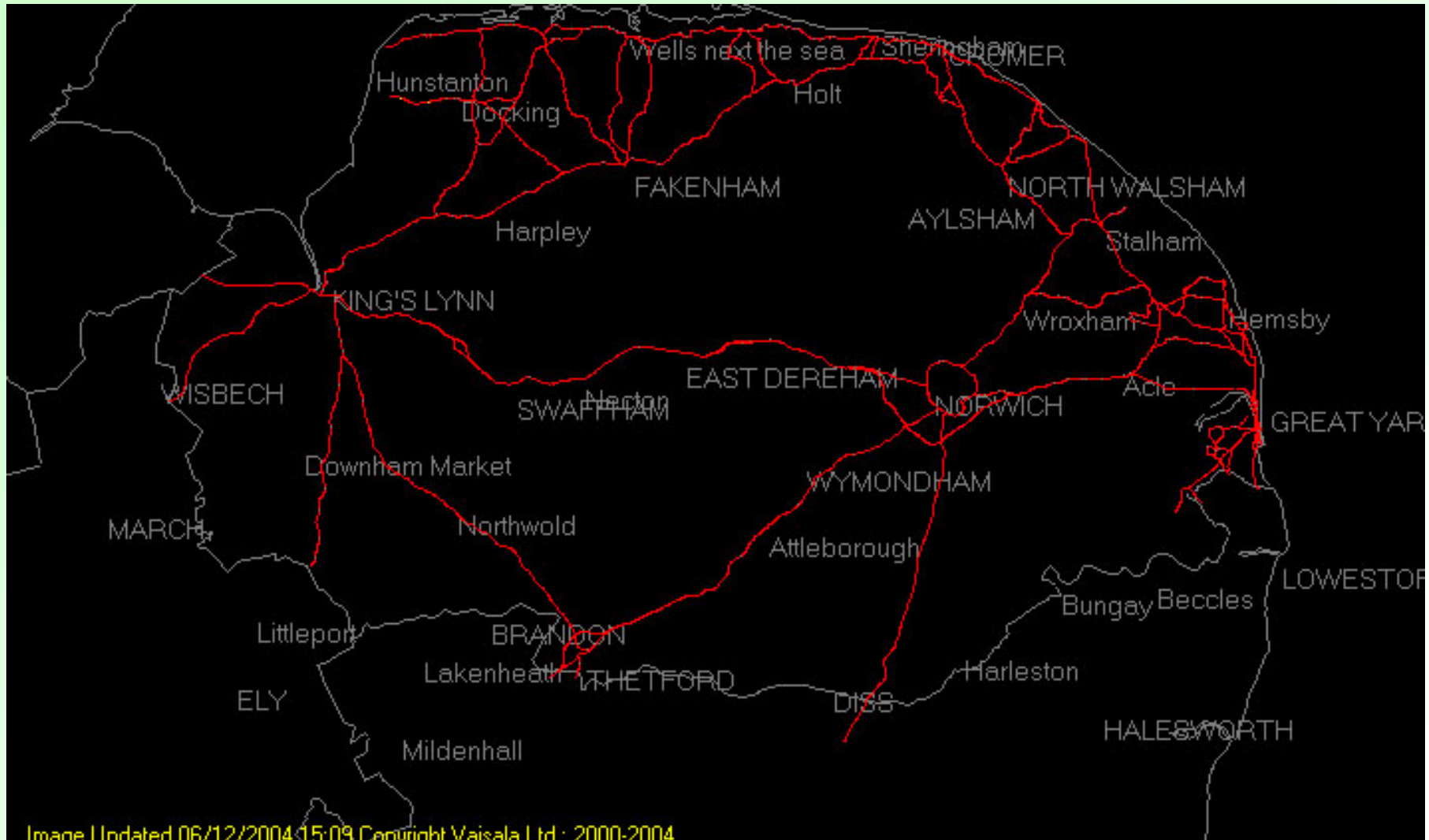


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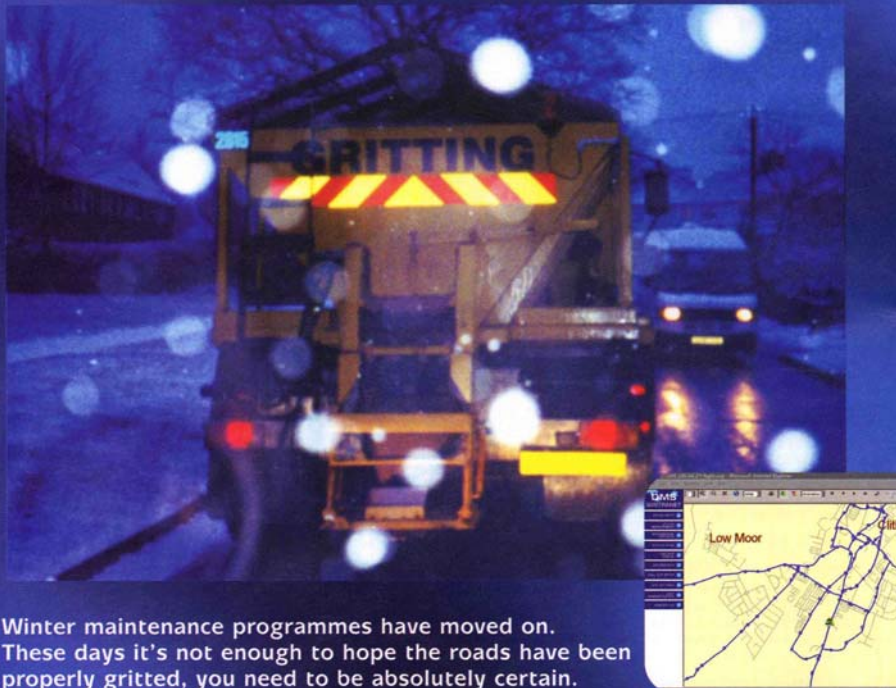




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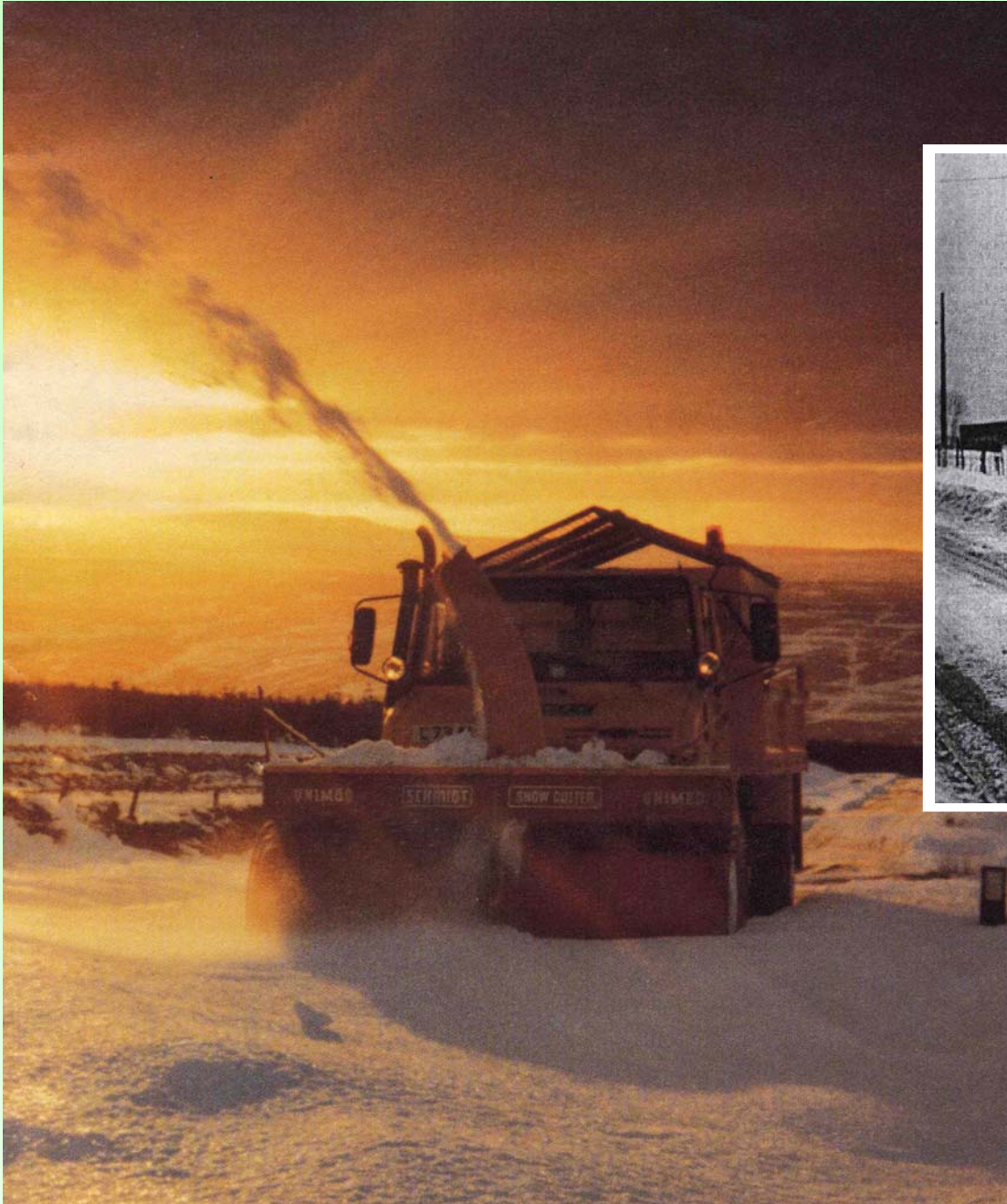
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Norfolk County Council



The Future of Norwich Area Committee

Report by the Chairman of the Norwich Area Committee

Summary

Members are asked for their views on the Future of Norwich Area Committee and to discuss topics which affect Norwich for an upcoming meeting with the Leader of the Council (date and time to be confirmed).

1. The Future of Norwich Area Committee

- 1.1 Following the recommendation of the Constitution working group to disband the Norwich (and Yarmouth) Area Committees, I put a question to Cabinet on 8 November 2010 challenging this recommendation, particularly when we as a Committee have not had the opportunity to discuss our own future.
- 1.2 Cabinet have agreed with the recommendation to disband Area Committees and it is likely that this will be approved by full Council on 29 November 2010. Therefore the meeting on 18 November 2010 will be our last as Norwich Area Committee. The Leader of the Council has offered to have regular meetings with Norwich based county councillors to discuss local issues, along the lines of that instigated by Daniel Cox last year, shortly after to 2009 elections.
- 1.3 I would like to seek your views on this development, and also gather suggestions for the topics we might put on the agenda for such a meeting with Derrick Murphy. I am due to meet him to set a date for this first meeting so would seek your views on appropriate date and times, and would hope to set the first such date for January 2011.

2. Contact

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