

Woodstock Town Council

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Dear Mr Neudegg

WODC Response to Recent Adverse Weather Conditions

The West Oxfordshire District Council (WODC) response to the recent adverse weather conditions was discussed by the Woodstock Town Council in February 2010 following complaints from local residents.

Woodstock Town Council whilst acknowledging the efforts of individual staff to do their best in extremely difficult circumstances in Oxfordshire in the days after 4th January 2010 would like to hear your proposals for how WODC might address a similar emergency in the future.

Woodstock Town Council was disappointed that WODC appeared to make only a limited contribution towards addressing the problems caused by the recent snow and ice. It would therefore like to know how you had utilised the staff unable to make refuse collections during this period. It would also like information about the number of teams that were deployed to grit pavements during the recent crisis and your method of prioritising the towns and villages to be treated.

Woodstock Town Council is aware of several residents slipping on the untreated pavements. At least one such resident sustained a serious injury that required her to be hospitalised during part of the Christmas period after slipping in the Market Square. Therefore Woodstock Town Council would like to try and ensure that the risk of such injuries is minimised in the future.

Woodstock Town Council would be grateful to receive a response to these points at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lorraine Watling'.

Lorraine Watling
Town Clerk

Copies to: Cllr Jill Dunsmore, Cllr Ian Hudspeth