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## Snow and Ice Management Policy

This policy is in accordance with a resolution made by the Parks Committee on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2019. The policy sets out how snow and ice within Simmons Park and other outdoor areas which are the responsibility of the council will be managed as reasonably possible if members of staff are able to safely access the relevant sites and equipment.

### **Simmons Park**

#### Footpaths

On being advised of imminent snow/icy conditions temporary warning signage will be strategically placed at the pedestrian entrance, at both sides of the bridges and other prominent areas of the park, advising caution as paths may be slippery and untreated.

Being the area within the council's responsibility which has the highest footfall and most likely to be frequented by members of the public during periods of snow, the pathway from the pedestrian entrance gate to Chalet Treloar and across Jubilee Bridge into the car park will be cleared of snow and gritted, as much as reasonably possible and if members of staff are able to make their way safely to the site.

Grit spread on Jubilee Bridge will be kept to a minimum to reduce the risk of it washing into the river.

#### Carpark

If staff are able to safely attend the site, temporary warning signage will be strategically placed at the entrance to the carpark.

It will not be possible to clear snow or grit from the carpark or its access roadway due to staff capacity and if it is felt necessary the carpark will be closed. This being the decision of any member of staff who is able to make it to the site, access and erect the signage.

### **Clapps Wood**

The pathway will not be cleared of snow or gritted.

On being advised of imminent snow/icy conditions temporary warning signage will be fixed to the gate at each end of the pathway through the woods.

### **Fairplace Garden and Public Toilets**

The pathway in front of and entrance to the public toilets at Fairplace and Market Street will be cleared of snow and gritted, as much as reasonably possible and if members of staff are able to make their way safely to the site.

On being advised of imminent snow/icy conditions temporary warning signage will be placed as near as possible to the entranceways.

### **Other Areas**

It will not be possible to clear snow or grit, or place signage in other areas, including the skate park, council parking area in Market Street and Council owned Cemetery adjacent to All Saints Church, and these will be left untreated.