

Waltham Forest Council Grit Bin Policy

Grit Bin Provision

The Council will consider provision of a new grit bin when a number of criteria are met. Key factors that are considered include:

- Highway gradient
- Highway safety
- Number of residents to benefit
- Distance to next grit bin
- Other factors; e.g. vulnerable residents; known water problems; junction problems; accident hotspot

Grit bins shall only be considered where at least one of the criteria in List A and all the criteria in List B are met:

List A (application must meet 1 or more of these criteria)

- Steep hill (determined on an individual basis);
- A junction with a known history of accidents;
- Known water problems e.g. run off from forest, etc.

List B (application must meet all criteria)

- ✓ Not on a primary or secondary gritting route;
- ✓ Must be for use on the public highway;
- ✓ The location shall not obstruct the passage of pedestrians: a minimum of 1.5m clearance on the footway is required;
- ✓ The location shall not obstruct sight lines;
- ✓ The location is not, normally, within 200m of another grit bin location;
- ✓ The location is within the boundary of the public highway;
- ✓ Can easily be accessed and filled by an HGV

Where grit bins will not be provided

The Council will not provide grit bins in private areas, private car parks or any other public or private property; such as schools, parks, hospitals, sheltered accommodation, or similar.

Location of grit bins

Grit bins will only be located where they can be easily accessed and filled.

Grit bins will be left in situ throughout the year.