

HOLCOMBE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

www.holcombedevon.co.uk

*Please reply to:
John Watson
Secretary, Holcombe Residents Association*

18th November 2011

Dear Sir/Madam,

Request for gritting bin at the bottom of Sweetbriar Lane, Holcombe

I am writing on behalf of Holcombe Residents Association which has 330 members in the village to request the provision of a gritting bin at the bottom of Sweetbriar Lane, Holcombe where it joins Holcombe Road.

In recent severe winters this portion of Sweetbriar Lane and the pavements adjoining it have become very dangerous for motorists and pedestrians due to the build-up of ice there. The road and pavements in this area have a treacherous combination of slope and camber. A significant proportion of the residents of Sweetbriar Lane and Sweetbriar Close are elderly and have some degree of mobility difficulty which makes the already difficult, slippery surfaces in icy weather extremely dangerous. This road junction is opposite the village shop and is used by a number of motorists as a turning area as the road beyond this goes out into the country and is very narrow. This means that the road traffic at the junction is significantly increased and this contributes to the build-up of ice at this point.

I note that the Highways Authority website recommends application to our local council so I am sending a copy of this letter both to you and to our Dawlish Town councillors in the hope of expediting this matter before the winter weather this year.

We very much hope that the Highways Authority will provide a gritting bin as indicated as this will make the area much safer for residents in the area and for local people generally.

Yours faithfully,

John Watson, Secretary, Holcombe Residents Association

Devon County Council Highways Department,
Highways and Traffic Management
PO Box 494
Newton Abbot
TQ12 9GL
Copy by email to: csc.roads@devon.gov.uk

Cc Councillor John Clatworthy, Devon County Council

Councillors Rosalind Prowse and Humphrey Clemens, Dawlish Town and Teignbridge Councils