



## **Full Council – 25 January 2010**

### **Motion selected for debate by Councillor Bob Blackman, Leader of the Conservative Group**

#### **Severe Weather**

This Council notes that contingency plans were presented to Government in August 2009 for arrangements to be made in the event of severe weather. However, these plans were not enacted until the 15 December 2009 and even then only partial guidance was given to local authorities.

This Council further notes that officers took steps to order extra quantities of grit and salt in December.

This Council congratulates the officers and contractors for their efforts to ensure that the major routes were gritted and kept clear in the recent snow and ice.

This Council condemns the failure of the Labour Government to ensure that proper guidance was given to local authorities on contingency arrangements until the snow fell.