

Balfour Beatty

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SIX WINTER SPREADERS HEAD FOR ESSEX ROADS

Balfour Beatty Infrastructure Services, the highways management and maintenance business of Balfour Beatty plc is all set for the winter maintenance season in Essex whatever the weather, helped by the delivery of six new salt spreaders.

Each spreader can function as a dry or coated salt deliverer, as pre-wet salt spreading valves allow upgrading to pre-wet and has a demountable tipper body enabling the vehicles to be used for general highways operations during the rest of the year.

The five 6cu m Schmidt hopper spreaders on 18-tonne chassis, along with one 9cu metre on a 26 tonne chassis, come with a highly accurate spreading control system.

Commenting today, Phil Jelps, Balfour Beatty Infrastructure Services' Highways Contracts Manager said:

“We are delighted at the ability to upgrade to pre-wet if required, and at the high accuracy of the spreading control systems, which are compatible with our own software system. This new equipment will greatly enhance the service we can deliver to our client, and, ultimately, to the people of Essex.”

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Photographs:

Photographs of spreading machines.

Notes for Editors:

1. Balfour Beatty Infrastructure Services is a leading provider of highways maintenance and asset management. We offer a unique service that combines our well-established highway network maintenance skills with a range of professional services including planning and strategic advice, project and programme management and highway design. The breadth of resources and expertise within our organisation is complemented by the extensive capabilities and backing of the Balfour Beatty group.
2. Worth £20m a year, Balfour Beatty Infrastructure Services' contract with Essex County Council covers around half of Essex's 7,200 km of county roads and 1400 structures, including bridges.