

# “Beast of the East” strikes the UK.



Parts of England have been subjected to heavy snowfall over this period.

48 people are believed dead after the Beast of the East struck Europe. The snowfall caused many schools to be shut early and many of the casualties are believed to be the unsheltered homeless in London. Hundreds of people were trapped in their cars overnight and had to stay where they were. The snow lasted for about 3 days over the UK, and in some areas there was at least 20 inches of snow.

A red warning was issued on Thursday, the highest possible weather warning, and thousands of schools around the county were closed early and shut the next day as well.

At the time, the red weather covered most of south Wales, Devon and Somerset. There were also warnings of the rare phenomenon of freezing rain; this occurs when snow crosses through a layer of air that melts it, and then, as it gets closer to the ground, the cold air freezes it again.

There were also warnings of floods for parts of Cornwall’s South coast and there was to be a heightening in tides by around 400mm. The weather said to cost the government £10 million pounds trying to prevent the disaster. However, some roads, such as B roads, had not been salted due to the fact that they are not used very often. This means that a lot of people have been trapped in their houses. This has to be taken in to consideration by the government.

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