

## **TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT NOTICE**

### **Special Traffic and Transport Arrangements for the Public Procession on 11 February 2018**

Notice is hereby given that the following traffic and transport arrangements will be implemented on Hong Kong Island on 11 February 2018 (Sunday) to facilitate the public procession from the Wan Chai Luard Road to the Justice Place:

#### **I. Special Traffic Arrangements**

##### **A. Road Closure**

- (i) The following road will be temporarily closed to all vehicular traffic from about 12.00 noon onwards until the crowd is dispersed and the road closure is lifted:
  - (a) Lower Albert Road eastbound between Ice House Street and Garden Road;
  - (b) Upper Albert Road westbound between Garden Road and Lower Albert Road; and
  - (c) The slow lane of Garden Road northbound between Cheung Kong Center and Lower Albert Road.
  
- (ii) The following roads will be temporarily closed to all vehicular traffic from about 2.00 pm onwards until the crowd is dispersed and the road closure is lifted:
  - (a) Johnston Road westbound between Ship Street and Landale Street;
  - (b) Luard Road between Johnston Road and Hennessy Road;
  - (c) Thomson Road between Johnston Road and Luard Road;
  - (d) Fenwick Street between Johnston Road and Hennessy Road (except franchised buses); and
  - (e) Justice Drive northbound between Justice Drive flyover and Queensway.
  
- (iii) The following roads will be intermittently closed to all vehicular traffic from about 2.30 pm onwards until the crowd is dispersed and the road closure is lifted:
  - (a) Hennessy Road westbound between Luard Road and Queensway; and
  - (b) Queensway westbound.

##### **B. Traffic Diversions**

- (i) The following traffic diversions will be implemented from about 12.00 noon onwards until the crowd is dispersed and the road closure is lifted:
  - (a) Traffic along Upper Albert Road eastbound will be diverted via Garden Road; and
  - (b) Traffic along Lower Albert Road eastbound will be diverted via Ice House Street.
  
- (ii) The following traffic diversions will be implemented from about 2.00 pm onwards until the crowd is dispersed and the road closure is lifted:

- (a) Traffic along Johnston Road westbound will be prohibited from turning right onto Luard Road northbound;
- (b) Traffic along Johnston Road westbound must turn left onto Ship Street;
- (c) Traffic along Johnston Road westbound will be prohibited from turning right onto Thomson Road;
- (d) Traffic along Landale Street via Johnston Road westbound must turn left onto Anton Street;
- (e) Traffic along Hennessy Road westbound will be prohibited from turning left onto Johnston Road eastbound;
- (f) Traffic along Hennessy Road eastbound will be prohibited from turning right onto Fenwick Street southbound (except franchised buses);
- (g) Traffic along Justice Drive northbound will be prohibited from turning left onto Queensway westbound; and
- (h) Traffic along Queensway eastbound will be prohibited from turning right onto Cotton Tree Drive southbound.

## II. Special Public Transport Arrangements

### A. Bus Diversions

The following bus routes will be temporarily diverted in phases from about 2.00 pm onwards until the crowd is dispersed and the road closure is lifted:

<u>Route</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Diversion</u>
CTB 6	To Central	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● via Stubbs Road, Queen's Road East eastbound, Morrison Hill Road, Tin Lok Lane, Hennessy Road westbound, Tonnochy Road, Gloucester Road westbound, Harcourt Road, Cotton Tree Drive southbound, U-turn, Cotton Tree Drive northbound, Lambeth Walk, Chater Road, Jackson Road, Connaught Road Central westbound and Connaught Place.</li> </ul>
CTB 6X	To Central	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● via Morrison Hill Road, Tin Lok Lane, Hennessy Road westbound, Tonnochy Road, Gloucester Road westbound, Harcourt Road, Cotton Tree Drive southbound, U-turn, Cotton Tree Drive northbound, Lambeth Walk, Chater Road, Jackson Road, Connaught Road Central westbound and Connaught Place.</li> </ul>
CTB 37B, 75, 90 and 97	To Southern District	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● via Hennessy Road eastbound, Fleming Road and Wan Chai Road eastbound.</li> </ul>
CTB 75, 90 and 97	To Central	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● via Hennessy Road westbound, Luard Road, Gloucester Road westbound, Harcourt Road flyover, Connaught Road Central westbound and Connaught Place.</li> </ul>

<u>Route</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Diversion</u>
NWFB 15	To Central	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>via Stubbs Road, Queen's Road East eastbound, Morrison Hill Road, Canal Road West, Canal Road flyover, Gloucester Road westbound, Harcourt Road, Cotton Tree Drive southbound, U-turn, Cotton Tree Drive northbound, Lambeth Walk, Chater Road, Jackson Road, Connaught Road Central westbound and Connaught Place.</li> </ul>
NWFB 25	To Central	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>via Gloucester Road westbound, Harcourt Road flyover, Connaught Road Central westbound and Connaught Place.</li> </ul>
NWFB H1	To Central	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>via Hennessy Road westbound, Tonnochy Road, Gloucester Road westbound, Harcourt Road, Cotton Tree Drive southbound, U-turn and Cotton Tree Drive northbound.</li> </ul>
XHT 103	To Pokfield Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>via Gloucester Road westbound, Harcourt Road westbound, Cotton Tree Drive flyover and Cotton Tree Drive southbound.</li> </ul>
XHT 104	To Kennedy Town	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>via Gloucester Road westbound, Harcourt Road flyover, Connaught Road Central westbound and Queen Victoria Street.</li> </ul>
XHT 109 and 182	To Central	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>via Gloucester Road westbound, Harcourt Road flyover and Connaught Road Central westbound.</li> </ul>
XHT 113	To Central	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>via Gloucester Road westbound, Harcourt Road flyover, Connaught Road Central westbound, Jubilee Street and Des Voeux Road Central westbound.</li> </ul>
XHT 681	To Central	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>via Gloucester Road westbound, Harcourt Road flyover, Connaught Road Central westbound and Connaught Place.</li> </ul>

**B. Temporary Bus Stop Arrangements**

- (i) The bus stop at Garden Road outside St. John's Cathedral will be suspended from about 12.00 noon onwards until the crowd is dispersed and the road closure is lifted;
- (ii) The bus stop at Johnston Road outside Southorn Playground will be suspended

from about 2.00 pm onwards until the crowd is dispersed and the road closure is lifted; and

- (iii) In connection with the above bus diversions, temporary bus stop arrangements will be implemented for the affected bus routes. In addition, subject to actual traffic conditions and instructions by the Police on site, bus companies may erect temporary bus stops or suspend existing bus stops to cope with the bus diversion.

Members of the public can make enquires to the bus companies for further details of temporary bus stop arrangements:

Citybus: 2873 0818; New World First Bus: 2136 8888; KMB: 2745 4466

### **C. Green Minibus Diversion**

The following green minibuses (GMB) routes will be temporarily diverted from about 2.00 pm onwards until the crowd is dispersed and the road closure is lifted:

<u>Route</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Diversions</u>
GMB 4B	To Wan Chai / Shek Pai Wan	● via Wan Chai Road westbound, Fleming Road, Thomson Road, Johnston Road, Burrows Street and Wan Chai Road eastbound.
GMB 24M	To Admiralty / Mount Bulter	● will be truncated to Wan Chai and converted into circular service: via Tai Wong Street East, Johnston Road, Ship Street and Queen's Road East.

### **D. Suspension of Green Minibus Stands**

All GMB stands on Johnston Road eastbound will be suspended from about 2.00 pm onwards until the crowd is dispersed and road closure is lifted.

### **E. Suspension of Taxi Stand**

The taxi stand on Thomson Road near Luard Road will be suspended from about 10.00 am onwards until the crowd is dispersed and road closure is lifted.

### **F. Suspension of Parking Spaces**

- (i) All metered parking spaces on Thomson Road between Johnston Road and Luard Road will be suspended from about 10.00 am to 5.00 pm;
- (ii) All metered parking spaces on Upper Albert Road will be suspended from about 10.00 am to 11.59 pm; and
- (iii) All metered parking spaces (except motorcycle and disabled parking spaces) on Tramway Lane outside Garden Road Lower Peak Tram Station will be suspended from about 10.00 am to 11.59 pm.

### **III. Restriction on Access to / Exit from Car Parks**

Vehicles parked in car parks along the procession route may not be permitted to leave or enter the car parks during the road closure period until the crowd is dispersed and road closure is lifted.

### **IV. Removal of Illegally Parked Vehicles**

Any vehicles found illegally parked within the precinct of the special traffic arrangements specified above will be towed away by the Police without prior notice.

### **Attention and Appeal**

Appropriate traffic signs will be erected to guide motorists. The public transport operators will display notices at the stops and inside vehicle compartments to advise passengers of the above temporary arrangements.

The Transport Department (TD) anticipates that the traffic in the vicinity of Wan Chai, Admiralty and Central will be significantly congested. Motorists are advised to avoid driving to the affected areas. They should exercise tolerance and patience in case of traffic congestion, and follow the instruction given by the Police.

Depending on the actual traffic conditions in the areas, other ad-hoc traffic and public transport measures, including road closures, traffic diversion, alteration and suspension of public transport services may be implemented by the Police.

Members of the public who plan to go to the affected areas are advised to plan their routes early, allow more travelling time to cater for unexpected delay, use public transport services as far as possible, in particular railway services, and watch out for the latest traffic news through the media. Public transport commuters are advised to pay attention to the arrangements of route diversions and suspension / relocation of stops.

For enquiries on the special traffic and transport arrangements, members of the public can call 1823, browse through TD website [www.td.gov.hk](http://www.td.gov.hk) or make use the “eTraffic News” mobile application of TD for more details.

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