

TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT NOTICE

Special Traffic and Transport Arrangements in Chai Wan for Ching Ming Festival 2023

Notice is hereby given that, the following special traffic and transport arrangements will be implemented for the cemeteries in Chai Wan during the Ching Ming Festival to facilitate grave-sweeping activities.

I. Temporary prohibited zone

The section of Cape Collinson Road east of Lin Shing Road i.e. the left-turning movement from Lin Shing Road to Cape Collinson Road leading the Chinese Permanent Cemetery and its vicinity will be temporarily designated as private car prohibited zone from 7.00 am to 3.00 pm daily from 18 March to 29 April. All private cars, except those with permits issued by the Commissioner for Transport, will be prohibited from entering into the prohibited zone.

II. Road closures

Level I – Road closures to be implemented on 26 March, 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 15 and 16 April (specified weekends and public holidays before and after Ching Ming Festival) (See the attached map)

According to Level I road closures to be implemented by the Police, the following sections of roads will be closed to all vehicular traffic on the said dates from 7.00 am to 5.00 pm (except for those vehicles specified below):

- (a) the section of Cape Collinson Road east of Lin Shing Road (i.e. the left-turning movement from Lin Shing Road to Cape Collinson Road leading to the vicinity of Chinese Permanent Cemetery), except green minibus (GMB) route 18M, taxis, hearses, funeral vehicles and vehicles with permits issued by the Commissioner for Transport;
- (b) the section of Cape Collinson Road west of Lin Shing Road, except franchised buses, except GMB routes 16A, 16M and 16X, taxis, hearses, funeral vehicles and vehicles with permits issued by the Commissioner for Transport;
- (c) Lin Shing Road southbound, except franchised buses, GMB routes 16A, 16M, 16X and 18M, taxis, hearses, funeral vehicles and vehicles with permits issued by the Commissioner for Transport and vehicles gaining access to Wan Tsui Estate and Lin Tsui Estate;
- (d) Lin Shing Road northbound, except GMB route 18M, hearses, funeral vehicles and vehicles with permits issued by the Commissioner for Transport;
- (e) the slip road leading from Cape Collinson Road to Gardens of Remembrance and Crematorium, except hearses and vehicle carrying passengers to service at the Crematorium; and
- (f) the slip road leading to Chai Wan Chinese Permanent Cemetery.

Level II – Road closures to be implemented on Ching Ming Festival (5 April) (See the attached map)

According to Level II road closures to be implemented by the Police, the following sections of roads will be closed to all vehicular traffic on Ching Ming Festival from 7.00 am to 5.00 pm (except for those specified vehicles):

- (a) the section of Cape Collinson Road east of Lin Shing Road (i.e. the left-turning movement from Lin Shing Road to Cape Collinson Road leading to the vicinity of Chinese Permanent Cemetery), except hearses, funeral vehicles and vehicles with permits issued by the Commissioner for Transport;
- (b) the section of Cape Collinson Road west of Lin Shing Road, except franchised buses, GMB routes 16A, 16M and 16X, hearses, funeral vehicles and vehicles with permits issued by the Commissioner for Transport;
- (c) Lin Shing Road, except franchised buses, GMB routes 16A, 16M and 16X, hearses, funeral vehicles and vehicles with permits issued by the Commissioner for Transport and vehicles making access to Wan Tsui Estate and Lin Tsui Estate;
- (d) the slip road leading from Cape Collinson Road to Garden of Remembrance and Crematorium, except hearses and vehicle carrying passengers to service at the Crematorium;
- (e) the slip road leading to Chai Wan Chinese Permanent Cemetery; and
- (f) Wan Tsui Lane.

III. Traffic diversions

In connection with the road closures under Levels I and II, the following roads will be converted into one-way traffic:

- (a) the section of Cape Collinson Road between the slip road leading to the Crematorium and Shek O Road will be converted to one-way westbound; and
- (b) the section of Wan Tsui Road between Chai Wan Road roundabout and Fei Tsui Road will be converted as one-way westbound.

IV. No parking

In connection with the road closures as mentioned above, no parking will be permitted on the following roads:

- (a) Cape Collinson Road;
- (b) Lin Shing Road;

- (c) the section of Shek O Road between Tai Tam Gap Correctional Institution and Tai Tam Road; and
- (d) Wan Tsui Road.

Any vehicles found illegally parked on the above roads will be towed away or ticketed by the Police without warning.

V. Prohibition to taxis, red minibuses (RMBs) and private cars

In connection with the road closures under Levels I and II, all RMBs and private cars (except for access to Wan Tsui Estate and Lin Tsui Estate) will be prohibited from entering Lin Shing Road. In connection with the road closures under Level II, all taxis (except for access to Wan Tsui Estate and Lin Tsui Estate) will be prohibited from entering Lin Shing Road.

Depending on traffic condition, implementation of and adjustments to road closures, traffic control and public transport diversions will be made by the Police without prior notice.

VI. No-stopping restriction of RMBs and GMBs

In connection with the road closures under Levels I and II, RMBs and GMBs will be restricted from picking up or setting down passengers along the section of Wan Tsui Road between Chai Wan Road roundabout and Lin Shing Road; and GMBs will be restricted from picking up passengers on Cape Collinson Road westbound outside Cape Collinson Crematorium.

Depending on the traffic condition, adjustments to the GMB pick-up/set-down arrangements will be made by the Police.

VII. Suspension of public light bus stand for RMBs

In connection with the road closures under Levels I and II, the RMB stand on Fei Tsui Road near its junction with Wan Tsui Road will be suspended.

VIII. Bus services

(a) Provision of special bus services

Special bus routes will be operated at the following dates and the bus services will be strengthened depending on the traffic conditions and passenger demand.

Route	Date	Operating Time
New World First Bus (NWFB) Route 388 (Circular) (Chai Wan Station Bus Terminus - Chai Wan Cemeteries)	18, 19 and 25 March and 10 April	10.00 am to 2.00 pm
	26 March, 2, 7, 8 and 9 April	9.00 am to 4.00 pm
	1, 15 and 16 April	9.00 am to 2.00 pm

	5 April (Ching Ming Festival)	8.00 am to 6.00 pm
NWFB Route 389 (Circular) (Shau Kei Wan Bus Terminus - Chai Wan Cemeteries)	26 March, 2, 7, 8 and 9 April	9.00 am to 4.00 pm
	1, 15 and 16 April	9.00 am to 2.00 pm
	5 April (Ching Ming Festival)	8.00 am to 6.00 pm

(b) Enhancement of bus services

CTB routes 8X and 780, NWFB route 9 and Cross Harbour routes 106, 118 and 606 will be strengthened subject to passenger demand and traffic condition.

(c) Diversion of bus services

In connection with the road closures under Levels I and II, the bus services from 8.00 am to 5.00 pm will be diverted as follows:

- (i) NWFB routes 8H and 82, CTB routes 8X and 780, Cross Harbour routes 106, 118, 606, 606X and A12 on journeys to / from Siu Sai Wan will be diverted via Chai Wan Road omitting Wan Tsui Road;
- (ii) NWFB route 81 and CTB route 780P after departure from its terminal point at Hing Wah Estate Bus Terminus, will be diverted via the section of Wan Tsui Road north of Fei Tsui Road and Chai Wan Road;
- (iii) NWFB route 81 on journeys to Hing Wah Estate Bus Terminus, will be diverted via Chai Wan Road and Wan Tsui Road; and
- (iv) Cross Harbour routes 682 and 694 after departure from their terminal points at Chai Wan and Siu Sai Wan respectively, will be diverted via Chai Wan Road.

(d) Bus stop arrangements

In connection with the road closures under Levels I and II, the following bus stops will be provided, suspended or relocated from 8.00 am to 5.00 pm:

- (i) the bus stops on Wan Tsui Road (both directions) will be suspended;
- (ii) a temporary bus stop will be provided on Chai Wan Road outside Hong Man Industrial Building for affected bus routes heading for Chai Wan or Siu Sai Wan;
- (iii) a temporary bus stop will be provided on Wan Tsui Road opposite to Hing Wah Estate Stage I Multi-storey Carpark for NWFB route 81 heading for Lai Tak Tsuen;

- (iv) a temporary bus stop will be provided on Chai Wan Road outside Wah Tai Mansion for affected bus routes heading for Shau Kei Wan;
- (v) a temporary bus stop will be provided on Lin Shing Road near Wah Ha Street for NWFB routes 388 and 389;
- (vi) the bus stop on Shek O Road near Cape Collinson Road will be suspended; and
- (vii) a temporary bus stop will be provided on Shek O Road near the entrance of Tai Tam Gap Correctional Institution for NWFB route 9.

IX. GMB services

(a) Diversion of GMB routes

- (i) GMB route 18M on journeys to Chai Wan Station will operate via Lin Shing Road northbound to Wan Tsui Road under Level I of road closure;
- (ii) GMB route 18M service will be temporarily suspended during Level II of road closure; and
- (iii) GMB route 43M on journeys to Chai Wan Station will be diverted via Wan Tsui Road northbound, Chai Wan Road, Hong Man Street, Cheung Lee Street, Kut Shing Street, Chai Wan Road and Island Eastern Corridor slip road before resuming its original routing.

(b) Enhancement of GMB Services

GMB route 18M services will be strengthened subject to passenger demand and traffic condition.

(c) Temporary relocation of GMB stops

- (i) the terminal point of GMB route 43M at Chai Wan Station will be temporarily relocated to Lee Chung Street (opposite to Wah Yan House, Wah Ha Estate) during the operation period of NWFB route 388;
- (ii) the stop of GMB routes 43M and 66 on Wan Tsui Road westbound outside Chak Tsui House will be temporarily relocated westwards by 100 metres to a point near the junction of Fei Tsui Road; and
- (iii) the stop of GMB routes 16A, 16M and 16X on Cape Collinson Road westbound outside Cape Collinson Crematorium will be temporarily relocated to Shek O Road (Chai Wan bound) near its junction with Cape Collinson Road.

Members of public can browse the following website for the opening hours of the public cemeteries, crematoria, columbaria and Gardens of Remembrance:

Attention and Appeal

1. Appropriate traffic aids/signs will be erected to guide motorists.
2. The public transport operators will display notices and upload notices onto their websites if available to advise passengers of the above temporary arrangements.
3. Actual implementation of and adjustments to road closures, traffic control and public transport diversions will be made by the Police during Ching Ming Festival depending on condition.
4. Motorists are advised not to drive to the congested/affected areas, and to drive with utmost care and patience.
5. Motorists should exercise tolerance and patience in case of traffic congestion, observe the instruction given by the Police; and watch out for the latest traffic news through the media.
6. Any vehicles found illegally parked within the precinct of the special traffic arrangements may be towed away by the Police without prior notice. Police officers will be on-site to guide the motorists.
7. Members of the public are advised not to go to the affected areas. Should this be unavoidable, please use public transport services as far as possible.
8. For updated and latest traffic and transport information, members of the public can visit the TD's website (www.td.gov.hk) or use the mobile application "HKeMobility".

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