

Transport Department Notice

Special Traffic and Transport Arrangements in Sha Tin for the Che Kung Festival 2023

Notice is hereby given that the following special traffic and transport arrangements will be implemented in Sha Tin for the Che Kung Festival 2023 during the Lunar New Year festive period:

(I) ROAD CLOSURE

(A) From 8.00 pm on 23 January 2023 to 8.00 pm on 25 January 2023, the following road sections will be temporarily closed to all vehicular traffic, except for emergency vehicles:

- (i) The slow lane of Che Kung Miu Road westbound between Sha Tin Tau Road and Chui Tin Street; and
- (ii) The slow lane of Chui Tin Street southbound between Che Kung Miu Road and the entrance of Sun Chui Estate near Sun Fong House.

(B) From 8.00 pm on 21 January 2023 to 8.00 pm on 25 January 2023, the following cycle tracks will be temporarily closed:

- (i) The cycle track along Tsuen Lam Road between Tai Wai Road and the western riverside of Shing Mun River Channel;
- (ii) The cycle track along the western riverside of Shing Mun River Channel between Tai Wai Soccer Pitch and Che Kung Miu Road;
- (iii) The cycle track along the eastern riverside of Shing Mun River Channel between Tai Wai Soccer Pitch and Man Lai Court;
- (iv) The cycle track connecting the eastern and western riversides of Shing Mun River Channel near Block 1 of Man Lai Court;
- (v) The cycle tracks along both sides of Che Kung Miu Road between Chui Tin Street and Sha Tin Tau Road;
- (vi) The cycle track inside the subway system at the junction between Che Kung Miu Road and Chui Tin Street;
- (vii) The cycle track inside the subway system at the junction between Che Kung Miu Road and Sha Tin Tau Road;
- (viii) The cycle track along southern kerbside lane of Che Kung Miu Road

between Chui Tin Street and Island School Tai Wai; and

- (ix) The cycle tracks along both sides of Chui Tin Street between Che Kung Miu Road and the unnamed road leading to public car park adjacent to Che Kung Temple.

During the closure of the above cycle tracks, cyclists are advised to use the cycle track along the northern riverside of Shing Mun River Channel between Lion Rock Tunnel Road and Shing Wan Road commuting to/from Sha Tin.

(II) PUBLIC TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENTS

(A) Suspension of Bus and Green Minibus (GMB) Stops

During the above road closure, the following bus and GMB stops will be suspended:

- (i) The stops on Che Kung Miu Road westbound outside Lee Uk Village near Che Kung Temple for KMB Route Nos. 81C, 82K, 86A, 87B, 89B, 249X, 281, 287X, N281, Cross Harbour Route Nos. 170, 182, N170, N182, LWB Route Nos. E42, E42C, N42, NA41, R42 and GMB Route Nos. 68K, 803, 804, 812; and
- (ii) The stop at Chui Tin Street southbound outside San Tin Village for KMB Route No. 80K.

(B) Temporary Pick-up/Drop-off Arrangements for Taxis and Non-franchised Buses

During the above road closure,

- (i) A temporary taxi drop-off point will be provided at Sha Tin Tau Road northbound near Che Kung Miu Road for setting down passengers only. Members of the public who wish to take taxis in the area are advised to use the taxi stands on Tsuen Nam Road near Tai Wai Station or in Tai Wai Station Public Transport Interchange;
- (ii) Non-franchised buses are advised to pick up or set down passengers in Tai Wai Station Public Transport Interchange; and
- (iii) All taxis and non-franchised buses will be prohibited from entering Chui Tin Street. Drivers of taxis and non-franchised buses will be advised to pick up or set down passengers at locations according to the instructions from Police officers on site.

(C) Strengthening of Public Transport Services

During the Lunar New Year festive period, services of East Rail Line and Tuen Ma Line, and franchised bus and GMB to/from Tai Wai Station and Che Kung Temple Station will be strengthened to cater for passenger demand when necessary.

(III) SUSPENSION OF CAR PARK

- (i) The public car park at Chui Tin Street adjacent to Che Kung Temple will be suspended (except for emergency vehicles and those authorized by Police officers on site) from 6.00 am on 21 January 2023 to 8.00 pm on 25 January 2023, and from 7.00 am to 6.00 pm daily on 28 and 29 January, 4 and 5 February 2023; and
- (ii) The public car park at Chui Tin Street adjacent to Greenview Garden will be suspended (except for emergency vehicles and those authorized by Police officers on site) from 6.00 am on 23 January 2023 to 8.00 pm on 25 January 2023.

(IV) CROWD CONTROL

During the Lunar New Year festive period, one-way pedestrian flow will be implemented at Che Kung Temple. Members of the public are advised to follow the designated pedestrian route to/from Che Kung Temple and to follow the instructions given by Police officers on site.

(V) ATTENTION AND APPEAL

Appropriate traffic aids will be provided and Police officers will be stationed on site to guide pedestrians and motorists. Public transport operators will display notices to advise passengers of the above temporary public transport arrangements. Actual implementation of the road closure, traffic control and traffic diversions will be made by the Police at the time depending on the traffic and crowd conditions.

Motorists are advised that strict enforcement including multiple ticketing and towing of illegally parked vehicles will be taken by the Police in the areas concerned.

Due to the foreseeable busy traffic in Tai Wai area, members of the public are strongly advised to use public transport services to Che Kung Temple during the Lunar New Year festive period.

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