

Special traffic and transport arrangements in So Kon Po and Causeway Bay from this Friday to Sunday

The Transport Department (TD) today (April 2) reminded the public that special traffic and transport arrangements will be implemented in So Kon Po and Causeway Bay from this Friday (April 5) to Sunday (April 7), to facilitate the holding of rugby matches at Hong Kong Stadium.

The special traffic and transport arrangements mainly include:

- * From about 7.30am on April 5, and from about 7am on April 6 and 7, the section of Caroline Hill Road northbound between Leighton Road and Cotton Path, and parts of Hysan Avenue westbound, will be closed;
- * From about 7.40pm on April 5, and from about 6.30pm on April 6 and 7, Caroline Hill Road, Eastern Hospital Road, Eastern Hospital Road service road, Cotton Path, parts of Tung Lo Wan Road northbound, Link Road and Hoi Ping Road will be closed to facilitate the dispersal of spectators until the crowd disperses and road closures are lifted;
- * During the road closure periods, Citybus routes 5B, 37A, 75, 90 and 97, New World First Bus route 8H, cross harbour routes 601, 678, 680, 680A, 680B, 680P, 936 and 936A, green minibus routes 14M, 26 and 30, and residents' service route HR51 will be temporarily diverted;
- * Free shuttle bus services will be operated from Hong Kong Stadium to Central and MTR Admiralty Station daily after the event. Cross-harbour bus route 117R will be operated from Hong Kong Stadium to Mong Kok after the event on April 6 and 7; and
- * On-street parking spaces and car parks within the road closure areas will be suspended.

The TD anticipates that the traffic in the vicinity of So Kon Po and Causeway Bay will be very congested. Motorists are advised to avoid driving to the affected areas. In case of traffic congestion, they should exercise tolerance and patience, and follow the instructions of the Police. Depending on the actual traffic conditions in the areas, other ad-hoc traffic and 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, and use public transport services as far as possible.

The TD and the Police will closely monitor the traffic situation and implement appropriate measures whenever necessary. Members of the public are

advised to be alert to the latest traffic news broadcast via radio and television.

Details of the special traffic and transport arrangements are now available on the TD's website (www.td.gov.hk). For enquiries, please call 1823.