

## **Policy Address consultation launched**

The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government today (July 10) launched the public consultation exercise for the 2019 Policy Address. The Chief Executive, Mrs Carrie Lam; the Chief Secretary for Administration, Mr Matthew Cheung Kin-chung; and the Financial Secretary, Mr Paul Chan, will meet representatives from different sectors to listen to their views.

"To continue to develop the economy and improve people's livelihood, we have to make plans together and work in concert. I sincerely invite members of the public to give their views on the Policy Address, so that we can harness the collective wisdom and insights to formulate policy initiatives to meet the needs of our people. My team and I will humbly listen to all walks of life, and respond in my third Policy Address," Mrs Lam said.

Members of the public are invited to give their views through the website ([www.policyaddress.gov.hk](http://www.policyaddress.gov.hk)), the dedicated Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/PolicyAddress2019](https://www.facebook.com/PolicyAddress2019)) or Instagram ([www.instagram.com/policyaddress2019](https://www.instagram.com/policyaddress2019)) for the 2019 Policy Address public consultation, or by email ([policyaddress@pico.gov.hk](mailto:policyaddress@pico.gov.hk)), phone (2432 1899) or fax (2537 9083).

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## **Effective Exchange Rate Index**

The effective exchange rate index for the Hong Kong dollar on Wednesday, July 10, 2019 is 105.3 (up 0.1 against yesterday's index).

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## **Special traffic arrangements for race meeting in Happy Valley**

Special traffic arrangements will be implemented in Happy Valley today (July 10). The arrangements will come into effect one and a half hours before the start of the first race and will last until the crowds have dispersed after the race meeting.

A. Traffic arrangements before the commencement of the first race

1. Road closure

Southbound Wong Nai Chung Road between Queen's Road East and the up-ramp outside Hong Kong Jockey Club (HKJC) will be closed except for vehicles heading for Aberdeen Tunnel.

## 2. Traffic diversions

- Southbound Wong Nai Chung Road between Village Road and the up-ramp outside HKJC will be re-routed one way northbound;
- Vehicles from eastbound Queen's Road East heading for Wan Chai and Happy Valley will be diverted to turn left to Morrison Hill Road;
- Traffic along southbound Morrison Hill Road heading for Happy Valley will be diverted via Sports Road and Wong Nai Chung Road;
- Traffic along Queen's Road East cannot turn right to Wong Nai Chung Road except for vehicles heading to Aberdeen Tunnel;
- Traffic from Cross Harbour Tunnel heading for Queen's Road East will be diverted via the down-ramp leading from southbound Canal Road flyover to Morrison Hill Road to turn right at the junction of Wong Nai Chung Road and Queen's Road East; and
- Traffic from Cross Harbour Tunnel heading for Happy Valley or Racecourse will be diverted via the down-ramp leading from southbound Canal Road flyover to Canal Road East, southbound Morrison Hill Road, Sports Road and Wong Nai Chung Road.

## B. Traffic arrangements before the conclusion of race meeting

### 1. Road closure

The following roads will be closed from 35 minutes before the start of the last race:

- The up-ramp on Wong Nai Chung Road outside HKJC leading to Aberdeen Tunnel;
- Southbound Wong Nai Chung Road between Queen's Road East and the up-ramp leading to Aberdeen Tunnel;
- Southbound Wong Nai Chung Road between Village Road and the Public Stands of HKJC;
- Westbound Leighton Road between Wong Nai Chung Road and Canal Road East; and
- Southbound Morrison Hill Road between Leighton Road and Queen's Road East.

In addition, southbound Wong Nai Chung Road between the up-ramp leading to Aberdeen Tunnel and the Public Stands of HKJC will be closed from about 10 minutes before the start of the last race.

## 2. Traffic diversions

The following traffic arrangements will be implemented from 35 minutes before the start of the last race:

- Eastbound Queen's Road East at its junction with Morrison Hill Road will be reduced to one-lane traffic heading for northbound Canal Road flyover;
- Vehicles from Cross Harbour Tunnel heading for Wan Chai will be diverted via the down-ramp leading from Canal Road East, U-turn slip road beneath

Canal Road flyover, Canal Road West and Hennessy Road;

- Vehicles from Cross Harbour Tunnel heading for Happy Valley will be diverted via the down-ramp leading from Canal Road East, eastbound Leighton Road and Wong Nai Chung Road;
- Traffic on southbound Morrison Hill Road will be diverted to turn left to eastbound Leighton Road;
- Traffic along southbound Morrison Hill Road heading for Happy Valley will be diverted via eastbound Leighton Road and Wong Nai Chung Road; and
- Traffic along westbound Leighton Road will be diverted to Wong Nai Chung Road.

#### C. Learner drivers prohibition

Learner drivers will be prohibited to turn left from Caroline Hill Road to Leighton Road between one and a half hours before the start of the first race and one hour after the last race. In addition, learner drivers will be prohibited from accessing the following roads within the above period of time:

- Shan Kwong Road between Yik Yam Street and Wong Nai Chung Road;
- Village Road between its upper and lower junctions with Shan Kwong Road;
- Percival Street between Hennessy Road and Leighton Road;
- Canal Road East; and
- The service road leading from Gloucester Road to Canal Road flyover.

#### D. Suspension of parking spaces

Parking spaces on southbound Wong Nai Chung Road between Sports Road and Blue Pool Road will be suspended from 11am to 7pm during day racing, from 4.30pm to 11.59pm during evening racing, and from 5pm to 11.59pm during night racing.

Any vehicles found illegally parked within the precincts of the above affected areas will be towed away without prior notice.

Actual implementation of road closure and traffic diversion will be made by the Police at the time depending on traffic conditions in the areas. Motorists should exercise tolerance and patience, and follow the instructions of Police on site.

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## EMSD announces test results of LPG quality in June 2019

â€‹The Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (EMSD) today (July 10) announced that the department collected eight liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) samples from auto-LPG filling stations and LPG terminals on a random

basis in June 2019 for laboratory tests. The results showed that the LPG quality of all these samples complied with auto-LPG specifications.

The detailed test results are available on the EMSD's website ([www.emsd.gov.hk/en/rl/lpg\\_sample\\_analysis\\_simple](http://www.emsd.gov.hk/en/rl/lpg_sample_analysis_simple)). Enquiries can also be made to the EMSD's hotline on 2333 3762.

In addition, the EMSD has been vetting independent third-party test reports submitted by LPG supply companies for each shipment to ensure that the quality of imported LPG complies with the specified requirements.

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## **Opening ceremony for “North Lamma Public Library cum Heritage and Cultural Showroom, Lamma Island” under Islands District Signature Project Scheme held**

An opening ceremony for the North Lamma Public Library cum Heritage and Cultural Showroom, Lamma Island under the Islands District Signature Project Scheme (SPS) was held at the open area outside 1 Yung Shue Wan Main Street on Lamma Island today (July 10).

Under the district-led SPS, the Government earmarked \$100 million for each district to implement one to two large-scale and sustainable signature projects to address district needs. The Islands District Council (IDC) selected two projects, comprising this project and "Improvement Works at Silvermine Bay Beach, Mui Wo, Lantau Island" completed last year.

The Yung Shue Wan project included the demolition of the existing one-storey library and the construction of a three-storey building. The library is reprovisioned on the first and second floors of the new building, while the Heritage and Cultural Showroom is located on the ground floor. It showcases antiquities and videos about the history and culture of Lamma Island and changes in residents' ways of life. The design of the new building adopts the concept of "Reading a book on Lamma by the sea", and has a concrete feature wall with Chinese calligraphy characters about poetry as a book cover and timber slats as a book spine.

The Chief Executive, Mrs Carrie Lam; the Secretary for Home Affairs, Mr Lau Kong-wah; and other guests officiated at the opening ceremony of the building, which marked its official opening.

Speaking at the ceremony, Mr Lau said that the newly built Heritage and

Cultural Showroom gives full play to its geographical proximity to the Yung Shue Wan Ferry Pier, enabling members of the public and tourists to visit the showroom once they arrive in Yung Shue Wan. Apart from the expansion in floor area, the library also features a number of new facilities and services, and its opening hours have been extended as well.

Other officiating guests were the Chairman of the IDC, Mr Chow Yuk-tong; the Director of Home Affairs, Miss Janice Tse; Deputy Director of Home Affairs Miss Charmaine Wong; and the Deputy Director of Leisure and Cultural Services (Culture), Ms Elaine Yeung.