Special traffic arrangements during Chung Yeung Festival

Police will implement the following special traffic arrangements in various districts to facilitate grave sweepers, and to ensure smooth vehicular traffic movements and pedestrian safety during Chung Yeung Festival.

Chai Wan

All private cars and light goods vehicles are prohibited from entering into Cape Collinson Road east of Lin Shing Road (left-turning from Lin Shing Road to Cape Collinson Road leading to the Chinese Permanent Cemetery and its vicinity) from 7am to 3pm daily from September 21 to October 27, except for vehicles with permit.

Road closure

Phase I

The following roads will be closed from 7am to 5pm daily on September 28 and 29, and October 1, 5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20:

- Southbound Lin Shing Road, except for franchised buses, green minibus (GMB) routes 16A, 16M, 16X and 18M, taxis, hearses, funeral vehicles, vehicles with permit and vehicles to Wan Tsui Estate and Lin Tsui Estate;
- Northbound Lin Shing Road, except for GMB route 18M, hearses, funeral vehicles and vehicles with permit;
- Cape Collinson Road east of Lin Shing Road, except for GMB route 18M, taxis, hearses, funeral vehicles, and vehicles with permit;
- Cape Collinson Road west of Lin Shing Road, except for franchised buses, GMB routes 16A, 16M and 16X, taxis, hearses, funeral vehicles and vehicles with permit;
- The slip road leading from Cape Collinson Road to the Garden of Remembrance and Crematorium, except for hearses and funeral vehicles; and
- The slip road leading to Chai Wan Chinese Permanent Cemetery.

Phase II

The following roads will be closed from 7am to 5pm on Chung Yeung Festival on October 11:

- Lin Shing Road, except for franchised buses, GMB routes 16A, 16M and 16X, hearses, funeral vehicles, vehicles with permit and vehicles to Wan Tsui Estate and Lin Tsui Estate;
- Cape Collinson Road east of Lin Shing Road, except for hearses, funeral vehicles and vehicles with permit;
- Cape Collinson Road west of Lin Shing Road, except for franchised buses,

GMB routes 16A, 16M and 16X, hearses, funeral vehicles and vehicles with permit;

- The slip road leading from Cape Collinson Road to the Garden of Remembrance and Crematorium, except for hearses and funeral vehicles;
- The slip road leading to Chai Wan Chinese Permanent Cemetery; and
- Wan Tsui Lane, except for vehicles making access to Hing Wah Plaza.

Traffic diversions

In connection with Phase I and II of road closure, the following traffic diversions will be implemented:

- Eastbound Wan Tsui Road between Fei Tsui Road and Lin Shing Road cannot turn right to southbound Lin Shing Road; and
- During the operation period of Citybus route 388, Cape Collinson Road between the slip road to Cape Collinson Crematorium and Shek O Road will be re-routed one way westbound.

Traffic Arrangements

In connection with Phase I and II of road closures, the following traffic arrangements will be implemented:

- No parking will be permitted along Wan Tsui Road, Lin Shing Road, Cape Collinson Road and Shek O Road between Tai Tam Gap Correctional Institution and Tai Tam Road:
- Except making access to Wan Tsui Estate and Lin Tsui Estate, all red minibuses (RMBs), private cars, goods vehicles, motor cycles, motor tricycles and pedal cycles cannot enter Lin Shing Road; except making access to Wan Tsui Estate and Lin Tsui Estate, all taxis cannot enter Lin Shing Road during Phase II of road closure;
- RMBs and GMBs cannot pick up and set down passengers along Wan Tsui Road between Chai Wan Road roundabout and Lin Shing Road; and
- GMBs cannot pick up passengers on westbound Cape Collinson Road outside
 Cape Collinson Crematorium.

Pok Fu Lam

Depending on traffic conditions, Consort Rise between Victoria Road and Bisney Road will be re-routed one-way southbound from 7am to 5.30pm daily on September 28 and 29, and October 1, 5, 6, 11 to 13, 19 and 20.

Four metered parking spaces (Meter nos. 3941A, 3941B, 3942A and 3942B) and three motorcycle parking spaces at Victoria Road near Consort Rise will be suspended from 7am on October 5 to 5pm on October 13.

Aberdeen

Depending on traffic conditions, the following roads will be closed from 7.30am to 5.30pm daily on September 28 and 29, and October 1, 5, 6, 12, 13, 19 and 20, and from 7.30am to 6.30pm on October 11:

Peel Rise in the vicinity of the Aberdeen Chinese Permanent Cemetery; and
 The slip road from Shek Pai Wan Road leading to the Aberdeen Chinese
 Permanent Cemetery.

Tseung Kwan 0

The access road leading from Ko Chiu Road to Tseung Kwan O Chinese Permanent Cemetery will be closed from 5.30am to 6pm daily on September 29, and October 5, 6, 12 and 13, except for special bus service by Kowloon Motor Bus route 14S, hearses, funeral vehicles and vehicles with permit.

The above road will be closed to all vehicular traffic from 5.30am to 8pm on Chung Yeung Festival on October 11.

Grave sweepers can reach the cemetery on foot via the BMCPC Footpath opposite to MTR Tiu Keng Leng Station or the access road on Ko Chiu Road. As there are staircases on the BMCPC Footpath, wheelchair users are advised to enter the cemetery via the access road on Ko Chiu Road.

Sai Kung

Mang Kung Wo Road will be closed from 8am to 5pm daily on October 5, 6, and 11 to 13, except for vehicles with permit.

Diamond Hill

Road closure

The following roads will be closed from 7am to 6pm daily on September 28 and 29, and October 1, 5, 6, 11 to 13, 19 and 20:

Except for hearses and funeral vehicles:

- The access road leading to the Diamond Hill Crematorium;
- The unnamed road between the Diamond Hill Funeral Parlour and the China Light and Power (CLP) Sub-station; and
- The access road adjacent to the Diamond Hill Funeral Parlour leading to Sze Chen Hall.

Except for private cars and taxis:

- Yuk Wah Street east of Tsz Wan Shan Road; and
- Yuk Hok Lane.

Motorcycles will be allowed to use Yuk Wah Street east of Tsz Wan Shan Road and Yuk Hok Lane on September 28, 29 and October 1.

Traffic diversions

The following traffic diversions will be implemented from 7am to 6pm

daily on September 28 and 29, and October 1, 5, 6, 11 to 13, 19 and 20:

- Vehicles can only enter or leave Fung Shing Street or Fu Shan Estate car park via southbound Po Kong Village Road downhill;
- Vehicles can only enter or leave Grand View Garden car park via northbound
 Po Kong Village Road uphill;
- Traffic along eastbound Po Kong Village Road can enter westbound Yuk Wah
 Street via the easternmost traffic lane of Tsz Wan Shan South Bus Terminus;
- Traffic along westbound Fung Shing Street cannot turn right to northbound
 Po Kong Village Road uphill;
- Traffic along northbound Po Kong Village Road uphill cannot turn right to eastbound Fung Shing Street;
- Vehicles leaving Grand View Garden car park cannot turn right to southbound
 Po Kong Village Road downhill;
- Traffic along southbound Po Kong Village Road downhill cannot turn right to Grand View Garden car park;
- Traffic along Fu Shan Estate car park cannot turn right to northbound Po Kong Village Road uphill;
- Traffic along northbound Po Kong Village Road uphill cannot turn right to Fu Shan Estate car park;
- Traffic along southbound Po Kong Village Road downhill cannot turn right to Po Kong Village Road School Village car park;
- Vehicles leaving Po Kong Village Road School Village car park cannot turn right to southbound Po Kong Village Road downhill;
- Traffic along southbound Po Kong Village Road downhill cannot turn right to the unnamed road opposite to Po Leung Lane;
- Traffic along the unnamed road opposite to Po Leung Lane cannot turn right to southbound Po Kong Village Road downhill; and
- Traffic along Yuk Wah Crescent cannot turn right to eastbound Yuk Wah Street.

Suspension of parking spaces

Metered parking spaces on the unnamed road between the Diamond Hill Funeral Parlour and CLP Sub-station will be suspended from 7am to 6pm daily on September 28 and 29, and October 1, 5, 6, 11 to 13, 19 and 20.

Motorcycle parking spaces in Yuk Wah Street near Yuk Hok Lane will be suspendedã€from 7am to 6pm daily on October 5, 6, 11 to 13, 19 and 20.

In order to provide a temporary taxi and private car drop-off point, Po Kong Village Road School Village car park will be closed from 7am to 6pm daily on October 6, 11 and 13, except for private cars and taxis.

Passengers pick-up and drop-off points

From 7am to 6pm daily on September 28 and 29, and October 1, 5, 6, 11 to 13, 19 and 20, the pick-up and drop-off points for taxis will be set at westbound Fung Shing Street near Fu Yan House of Fu Shan Estate and westbound Yuk Wah Street near Yuk Hok Lane, while the pick-up and drop-off point for private cars will be at westbound Yuk Wah Street near Yuk Hok Lane.

Road closure

Wing Ming Street and the unnamed road between Wing Ming Street and the Saint Raphael's Catholic Cemetery will be closed from 7am to 7pm daily on October 5, 6, 11 to 13, 19 and 20, except for hearses, funeral vehicles, Cemetery Staff's vehicles and vehicles with permit; and
 Entrance road of Wing Tak Road will be closed from 7am to 5pm daily between October 11 to 13, except for vehicles with permit.

Traffic arrangements

The following traffic arrangements will be implemented on October 5, 6, 11 to 13, 19 and 20:

- Parking will be prohibited on Yu Chau West Street between Castle Peak Road and King Lam Street from 7am to 7pm daily;
- Vehicles are prohibited to pick-up or drop-off passengers along Yu Chau
 West Street near Wing Ming Street (outside 83 Wing Hong Street); and
 Stopping or parking will be prohibited on Ching Cheung Road from 7am to 7pm daily.

Suspension of on-street parking spaces

All on-street parking spaces on Yu Chau West Street, Tai Nan West Street, King Lam Street between Yu Chau West Street and Tai Nan West Street and Wing Hong Street between Yu Chau West Street and Tai Nan West Street will be suspended from 7am to 7pm daily on October 5, 6, 11 to 13, 19 and 20.

Members of the public wishing to gain access to the Saint Raphael's Catholic Cemetery are advised to use the subway across Ching Cheung Road from the end of unnamed road between Wing Ming Street and the Saint Raphael's Catholic Cemetery. No parking facilities in the cemetery will be open to public use.

Tuen Mun

(A) Castle Peak

The following traffic arrangements will be implemented from 7am to 7pm daily on September 28 and 29, and October 1, 5, 6, 11 to 13, 19 and 20:

Road closure

Tsing San Path and the access roads leading to Ching Chung Koon and Ching Chung Sin Yuen will be closed.

Traffic diversions

- Tsing Chung Koon Road between Tsing Lun Road and San Fuk Road will be re-

routed one-way northbound; and

— San Fuk Road between Leung Shun Street and Tsing Chung Koon Road will be re-routed one-way westbound.

No parking will be permitted along San Fuk Road, Tsing Chung Koon Road between Tsing Chung Path and San Fuk Road, Tsing Lun Road between Tsun Wen Road and the northern vehicle entrance of Tuen Mun Hospital, and southbound Tsun Wen Road between Tsing Lun Road and San Fuk Road.

Temporary pick up and drop off points will be set up at northbound Tsing Chung Koon Road opposite to Castle Peak Hospital, northbound Tsing Chung Koon Road opposite to Tuen Mun Hospital, and westbound Tsing Lun Road outside Tuen Mun Hospital.

(B) Tsang Tsui

Nim Wan Road between Yung Long Road and Tsang Tsui Columbarium access road will be closed from 7am to 7pm daily on September 28 and 29, and October 1, 5, 6, 11 to 13, 19 and 20, except for franchised buses and MTR buses, taxis, vehicles heading to and from West New Territories Landfill and T·PARK, and vehicles with permit.

Kwai Tsing

The following traffic arrangements will be implemented from 7am to 5pm daily on September 29, and October 1, 6, 11 and 13:

- Southbound Wing Tak Street from the entrance of City Point to its junction with Wing Shun Street, Wing Yin Street, and Wing Shun Street between Wing Tak Street and Kwai Hei Street will be closed, except for hearses, franchised buses, taxis and GMBs;
- Wing Kei Road between Kwai Hei Street and Wing Kin Road will be re-routed one-way southbound, vehicles cannot enter Wing Kei Road from Kwai Hei Street; and
- Wing Hau Street will be closed.

In addition, Wing Yin Street and Wing Hau Street will be closed from 7am to 5pm daily on September 28, and October 5, 12, 19 and 20, except for hearses and franchised buses.

Lantau Island

The closed Tung Chung Road between Shek Mun Kap Road and South Lantau Road will be temporarily opened from 6am to 6pm daily on October 5, 6, and 11 to 13.

All others roads on south Lantau will remain closed, except for vehicles with permit.

Sha Tin

Road closure and traffic diversion

The following roads will be closed from 8am to 6pm daily on September 28 and 29, and October 1, 5, 6, 11 to 13, 19 and 20:

- Lower Shing Mun Road between Yau On Street and Fu Shan Crematorium, Yau On Street and Yau Ting Street, except for hearses, funeral vehicles, GMB route 64K, and vehicles of residents of Pak Tin Areas 2 to 5 and Lakeview Garden; and
- Pai Tau Street west of its junction with Sheung Wo Che Road.

To Fung Shan Road north of its junction with Pak Lok Path will be closed from 9am to 5pm daily on September 28 and 29, and October 1, 5, 6, 11 to 13, 19 and 20, except for vehicles serving residents and people working in To Fung Shan.

To Fung Shan Road between Chung Ling Road and Pak Lok Path will be rerouted as one-lane two-way from 9am to 5pm daily on October 5, 6, and 11 to 13.

Suspension of parking spaces

All parking spaces on Yau On Street and Lower Shing Mun Road will be suspended from 8am to 6pm daily on September 28 and 29, and October 1, 5, 6, 11 to 13, 19 and 20.

Wo Hop Shek

The following traffic arrangements will be implemented on September 28 and 29, and October 5, 6, 11 to 13, 19 and 20:

Road closure

The following roads will be closed from 6am to 5pm daily:

- Kiu Tau Road, except for hearses, coaches conveying people attending services at the crematorium, vehicles of the undertakers and franchised buses;
- Ming Yin Road, except for franchised buses;
- Wo Ka Lau Road; and
- All access roads within Wo Hop Shek Cemetery.

Traffic diversions

- Traffic along northbound Pak Wo Road near Fung Ying Seen Koon cannot turn right to southbound Pak Wo Road; and
- Traffic along southbound Pak Wo Road near MTR Fanling Station cannot turn right to the car park on Pak Wo Road near Fung Ying Seen Koon.

Suspension of parking spaces

The following car parks and parking spaces will be suspended from 7am to

5pm daily:

- The car park on Wo Hing Road near Wah Ming Road roundabout, except for taxis to pick up and set down passengers;
- The car park on Pak Wo Road near Fung Ying Seen Koon, except for disabled parking spaces and public buses of the residents' service route no. NR112; and
- All parking spaces on Wah Ming Lane.

Depending on the situation, the Police may exercise discretion to allow vehicles carrying the elderly and disabled passengers to make use of the car park on Pak Wo Road near Fung Ying Seen Koon for interchange with the buses heading for Wo Hop Shek Cemetery.

Sandy Ridge

The Frontier Closed Area from Lo Wu Station to Lo Wu Station Road will be open to grave-sweepers between 6am and 6pm daily from September 28 to October 27.

The following roads will be closed from 6am to 6pm daily on September 28 and 29, and October 5, 6, 11 to 13, 19, 20, 26 and 27:

- Lo Wu Station Road from its junction with Man Kam To Road to a point of about 280 metres west near the cemetery management office, except for vehicles of Lo Wu Village residents and vehicles allowed to park at the car park of MTR Lo Wu Station; and
- Sha Ling Road, except for vehicles of Sha Ling residents.

All vehicles parked illegally during the implementation of the above special traffic arrangements will be towed away without prior warning, and may be subject to multiple ticketing.

Actual implementation of traffic arrangements will be made depending on traffic and crowd conditions in the areas. Motorists are advised to exercise tolerance and patience and take heed of instructions of the Police on site.

<u>Update on dengue fever</u>

The Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of the Department of Health today (September 27) reported the latest number of dengue fever (DF) cases, and strongly urged the public to maintain strict environmental hygiene, mosquito control and personal protective measures both locally and during travel.

From September 20 to yesterday (September 26), the CHP recorded seven imported DF cases; the patients had been to India (one case) and Foshan,

Guangdong Province (six cases) during the incubation periods.

As of yesterday, 71 cases of DF, including 67 imported and four local cases, had been recorded in 2024. In 2023, 62 imported cases of DF were recorded.

According to the World Health Organization, the global incidence of DF has markedly increased over the past two decades, posing a substantial public health challenge. In 2023, ongoing transmissions, combined with an unexpected spike in DF cases, had resulted in close to a historic high of over 6.5 million cases, and more than 7 300 dengue-related deaths reported in over 80 countries/territories.

The latest surveillance data shows that there is an increase in DF cases noted in some places in Asia (such as Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore and Thailand) compared to the same period last year.

According to the Health Commission of Guangdong Province, the number of DF cases recorded in Guangdong Province in the past three months has been increasing, with 233 and 1 220 cases in July and August 2024 respectively. Most of the cases were locally acquired infection. Information from the Guangdong Provincial Center for Disease Control and Prevention further showed that more than 2 000 DF local cases have been recorded in September (as of September 22), with the highest numbers of cases recorded in Foshan, Guangzhou and Zhongshan.

Since the beginning of 2024, the Americas, including Brazil, Argentina and Peru, have recorded over 12 million cases, a record number. Detailed information on the latest DF situation in Hong Kong, as well as neighbouring and overseas countries and areas, has been uploaded to the CHP website (https://www.chp.gov.hk/files/pdf/df_imported_cases_and_overseas_figures_eng.pdf).

"Apart from general measures, travellers returning from areas affected by DF should apply insect repellent for 14 days upon arrival in Hong Kong. If feeling unwell, seek medical advice promptly and provide travel details to a doctor," a spokesman for the CHP said.

The public should take heed of the following advice on mosquito control:

- Thoroughly check all gully traps, roof gutters, surface channels and drains to prevent blockage;
- Scrub and clean drains and surface channels with an alkaline detergent compound at least once a week to remove any deposited mosquito eggs;
- Properly dispose of refuse, such as soft drink cans, empty bottles and boxes, in covered litter containers;
- Completely change the water of flowers and plants at least once a week. The use of saucers should be avoided if possible;
 - Level irregular ground surfaces before the rainy season;
 - Avoid staying in shrubby areas; and
- Take personal protective measures such as wearing light-coloured longsleeved clothes and trousers, and apply insect repellent containing DEET to clothing or uncovered areas of the body when doing outdoor activities.

DEET-containing insect repellents are effective and the public should take heed of the tips below:

- Read the label instructions carefully first;
- Apply right before entering an area with risk of mosquito bites;
- Apply on exposed skin and clothing;
- Use DEET of up to 30 per cent for pregnant women and up to 10 per cent for children*;
 - Apply sunscreen first, then insect repellent; and
 - Reapply only when needed and follow the instructions.
- * For children who travel to countries or areas where mosquito-borne diseases are endemic or epidemic and where exposure is likely, those aged 2 months or above can use DEET-containing insect repellents with a DEET concentration of up to 30 per cent.

â€<a€<The public should call 1823 in case of mosquito problems and may visit the following pages for more information: the DF page of the CHP and the Travel Health Service, the latest Travel Health News, tips for using insect repellents, and the CHP Facebook Page and YouTube Channel.

First section of GreenWay in Kai Tak Development opens today (with photos)

The first section of the GreenWay in Kai Tak Development (KTD) for shared use by pedestrians and cyclists is open to the public from today (September 27). It is about 600 metres long and located at the Kai Tak Promenade near the east of the Kai Tak Bridge in the former runway area (please refer to the location map).

With a total length of about 13 kilometres, the GreenWay in Kai Tak connects open spaces in the area including Kai Tak Station Square, Kai Tak Sports Park and the promenades on both sides of the former runway area. This allows for better utilisation of the open spaces and waterfront area, facilitates the integration of cycle routes and the surrounding environment, and enhances the connectivity of open spaces, hence improving the coherence of the overall design of the KTD.

The GreenWay in Kai Tak is being implemented in two phases to dovetail with the implementation programme of the infrastructure projects and open spaces in the area. The first phase is about 7.5km long. Apart from the section opened today, the majority of the remaining part is expected to open in phases in 2025. The second phase, which is about 5.5km long, is expected to be implemented and opened progressively in 2025 and beyond, to tie in with government and private development projects in the area.

The Civil Engineering and Development Department has considered the setting of Hong Kong and referenced the experiences of Mainland and overseas cities in the design of the GreenWay in Kai Tak. A six-month pilot project was carried out at the Kwun Tong Promenade, with questionnaire surveys conducted with more than 12 000 pedestrians and cyclists. The respondents were generally satisfied with the pilot project.

The GreenWay in Kai Tak, with a width of 6m in general, provides sufficient and comfortable space for shared use by pedestrians and cyclists. To enhance safety, ground markings have been added along the GreenWay to guide pedestrians and cyclists to keep to their respective sides so as to maintain an appropriate distance from each other. Signs and speed-reducing rumble strips have also been put in place at some locations to prevent cyclists from going too fast. Moreover, a barrier-free walkway for pedestrians runs alongside the GreenWay, offering an additional option for the public. Bicycle parking spaces are available within the area.

The section of the GreenWay opened today is managed by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department. As the GreenWay for shared use is a relatively new concept in Hong Kong, banners listing relevant rules for users have been put up there. The Government will also strengthen publicity to enhance public understanding of the merits of the GreenWay and awareness of safety. At the initial stage after the opening, ambassadors will be present at the GreenWay to provide appropriate reminders to users.

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Woman sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment for illegally importing and cruelty to endangered turtles (with photos)

A 45-year-old Chinese woman who smuggled 64 endangered turtles into Hong Kong was convicted and sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment today (September 27) for violating the Protection of Endangered Species of Animals and Plants Ordinance (Cap. 586) and the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Ordinance (Cap. 169).

On January 27, Customs officers intercepted a Chinese female passenger who arrived in Hong Kong from Tokyo at Hong Kong International Airport. Upon inspection, 64 turtles were found in her suitcase. Thirty-seven turtles were

wrapped in socks and the remaining 27 were packed into two small plastic boxes. An officer of the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department (AFCD) attended the scene and confirmed that all turtles (including 61 box turtles (Terrapene spp.) and three spotted turtles (Clemmys guttata)) were Appendix II species listed in the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora, and are regulated locally under the Protection of Endangered Species of Animals and Plants Ordinance. The woman was arrested at the scene.

Charges were laid against the woman for breaching the Protection of Endangered Species of Animals and Plants Ordinance and the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Ordinance for illegally importing species listed under Appendix II of the Protection of Endangered Species of Animals and Plants Ordinance and animal cruelty. She pleaded guilty and was convicted today at the District Court, which meted out a sentence of a total of 18 months behind bars.

According to the Protection of Endangered Species of Animals and Plants Ordinance, any person importing, exporting or possessing specimens of endangered species not in accordance with the Ordinance commits an offence and will be liable to a maximum fine of \$10 million and imprisonment for 10 years upon conviction with the specimens forfeited.

Also, according to the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Ordinance, any person who, by wantonly or unreasonably doing or omitting to do any act, causes any unnecessary suffering to any animal commits an offence and will be liable to a maximum fine of \$200,000 and imprisonment for three years upon conviction.

A spokesman for the AFCD stressed, "The Government is committed to protecting endangered species and safeguarding animal welfare. The AFCD will remain vigilant and continue to monitor and combat illegal activities involving endangered species and animal cruelty."

Members of the public may call 1823 to report any suspected irregularities to the AFCD and visit the AFCD website: www.cites.hk regarding the control of endangered species in Hong Kong.



