

Additional pick-up and drop-off points for coaches to tie in with re-opening of Avenue of Stars in Tsim Sha Tsui

The Transport Department (TD) today (January 30) said that additional pick-up and drop-off (PU/DO) points for coaches have been set up in the vicinity of Salisbury Road to tie in with the re-opening of the Avenue of Stars (AoS) in Tsim Sha Tsui tomorrow (January 31). The TD also reminded that coaches should leave immediately after picking up or dropping off passengers to ensure smooth traffic flow.

In order to divert traffic in the vicinity of Tsim Sha Tsui East and cope with the demand for picking up and dropping off passengers of coaches, the TD has set up five additional PU/DO points, bringing the total number to 15, on Salisbury Road westbound and Chatham Road South (southbound) near Salisbury Road to assist the tourism trade to pick up and drop off passengers. The roadside at Chatham Road South (southbound) should be used for dropping off and the lay-by at Salisbury Road westbound should be used for picking up passengers. The TD has informed the trade of the above traffic arrangements and reminded them to be co-operative and self-disciplined, as well as to strictly abide by the requirement of no waiting at the PU/DO points. They should also follow the instructions of the Police and working staff at the scene to pick up and drop off passengers at suitable locations.

For the temporary parking needs of coaches, there are more than 200 parking spaces for coaches on the roadside or in temporary fee-paying car parks in Tsim Sha Tsui, West Kowloon and Hung Hom. The TD will disseminate the information of available coach parking spaces in the vicinity of the AoS through the "HKeMobility" mobile application every half hour during the peak sightseeing period of the coming Lunar New Year.

The TD anticipates that the traffic in the vicinity of Tsim Sha Tsui East near Salisbury Road will be relatively busy during the initial period following the reopening of the AoS. Members of the public are advised to use public transport as far as possible, plan their journeys in advance and allow sufficient travelling time to cater for unexpected delay.

The TD and the Police will closely monitor the traffic conditions and carry out appropriate traffic management measures as necessary. Members of the public are advised to be alert to the latest traffic news on radio and television.