<u>Crowd safety management measures and</u> <u>special traffic arrangements for Che</u> <u>Kung Festival</u>

Police will implement crowd safety management measures and special traffic arrangements to facilitate worshippers visiting Che Kung Temple in Sha Tin during the Che Kung Festival period. Police reminded members of the public to observe regulations on group gatherings and mask wearing in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Crowd safety management measures

A large crowd is anticipated to visit Che Kung Temple and Che Kung Festival Fair during the Lunar New Year period. Depending on the crowd condition, one-way pedestrian flow may be implemented at MTR Tai Wai Station and in the vicinity of Che Kung Temple, including Che Kung Miu Road and Chui Tin Street, between 6am on February 12 and 6pm on February 15 to ensure public order and safety. Members of the public are urged to observe order and be patient while waiting in a queue.

Special traffic arrangements

A. Road closure

The following roads will be closed from 8pm on February 13 to 6pm on the following day:

1. The slow lane of westbound Che Kung Miu Road between Sha Tin Tau Road and Chui Tin Street; and

2. The slow lane of southbound Chui Tin Street between Che Kung Miu Road and the entrance of Sun Chui Estate near Sun Fong House.

B. Cycle tracks closure

The following cycle tracks will be closed from 8pm on February 11 to 8pm on February 15:

 The cycle track along the western riverside of Shing Mun River Channel between Tsuen Nam Road and Che Kung Miu Road;
The cycle track along both sides of Che Kung Miu Road between Chui Tin Street and Sha Tin Tau Road;
The cycle track inside the subway system at the junction between Che Kung Miu Road and Chui Tin Street; and
The cycle track inside the subway system at the junction between Che Kung Miu Road and Sha Tin Tau Road.

During the cycle track closure period, cyclists may use the cycle track

along the northern riverside of Shing Mun River Channel between Lion Rock Tunnel Road and Shing Wan Road commuting to and from Sha Tin.

C. Suspension of car parks

The public car park adjacent to Che Kung Temple will be suspended from 6am on February 11 to 8pm on February 15, and daily from 7am to 6pm on February 20, 21, 26, 27 and 28.

The public car park adjacent to Greenview Garden will be suspended between 6am on February 13 and 8pm on the following day.

Members of the public are advised to make use of public transport to go to Che Kung Temple and Che Kung Festival Fair. Police reminded members of the public that the first incense offering this year will be cancelled due to the epidemic development. The Che Kung Temple will close at 6pm as usual on February 11.

Any vehicles found illegally parked within the precincts mentioned above will be towed away without prior warning.

Actual implementation of the crowd safety management measures and traffic arrangements will be made depending on traffic and crowd conditions in the area. Members of the public are advised to exercise tolerance and patience and take heed of instructions of the Police on site.