Public library opening hours for Easter and Ching Ming Festival

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (March 22) that all public libraries will be closed on Good Friday (March 29), while students' study rooms will be open from 8am to 9.30pm.

Apart from individual libraries' closing days, the opening hours of all public libraries on the day following Good Friday (March 30), Easter Monday (April 1) and Ching Ming Festival (April 4) will be the same as those for public holidays.

For carrying out system maintenance work, the Multimedia Information System and online reservation of Internet and Digital Service Workstations services will be suspended from 9pm on March 28 to 11.59pm on March 29. Moreover, the following services will also be suspended from 12.30am to 11.59pm on March 29:

- * library mobile app services and Internet and telephone renewal services;
- * other online library services, including the library catalogue, borrowers' record enquiries, reservation of library materials and electronic resources (e-books and e-databases); and
- * self-service library stations (readers may still return books to the stations before the due date, and the loan record will be updated within two working days).

Details can be obtained from notices posted at all public libraries and the website at www.hkpl.gov.hk/en/library-notices-list.html. For enquiries, please call 2921 0208.

Red tide sighted

A red tide was sighted during the past week, the Inter-departmental Red Tide Working Group reported today (March 22).

On March 18, staff of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department spotted a red tide at Stanley Main Beach, Hong Kong Island. The red tide has dissipated and no associated fish deaths have been reported as of today.

A spokesman for the working group said, "The red tide was formed by Noctiluca scintillans, which is commonly found in Hong Kong waters and non-toxic."

The Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department (AFCD) urged

mariculturists at Lo Tik Wan, Sok Kwu Wan and Po Toi fish culture zones to monitor the situation closely and increase aeration where necessary.

Red tide is a natural phenomenon. The AFCD's proactive phytoplankton monitoring programme will continue to monitor red tide occurrences to minimise the impact on the mariculture industry and the public.

<u>Appeal for information on missing girlin Chai Wan (with photo)</u>

Police today (March 22) appealed to the public for information on a girl who went missing in Chai Wan.

Chu Yee-man, aged 14, went missing after she was last seen on San Ha Street yesterday (March 21) morning. Police received a report on the same day.

She is about 1.5 metres tall, 59 kilograms in weight and of fat build. She has a round face with yellow complexion and long straight black hair. She was last seen wearing a white shirt, black sports jacket, black trousers and white sports shoes.

Anyone who knows the whereabouts of the missing girl or may have seen her is urged to contact the Regional Missing Persons Unit of Kowloon East on 3661 0331 or email to rmpu-ke-2@police.gov.hk, or contact any police station.



<u>Special traffic arrangements for Ching Ming Festival</u>

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

Hong Kong Island

(1) Chai Wan

A. Road closure

Phase I

The following roads will be closed from 7am to 5pm daily on March 24, and 29 to 31, and April 1, 6, 7, 13 and 14:

- 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 making access 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 vehicles carrying passengers to service at the Crematorium; and
- The slip road leading to Chai Wan Chinese Permanent Cemetery.

Phase II

The following roads will be closed from 7am to 5pm on April 4:

- Lin Shing Road, except for franchised buses, GMB routes 16A, 16M and 16X, hearses, funeral vehicles, vehicles with permit, and vehicles making access 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 vehicles carrying passengers to service at the Crematorium;

- The slip road leading to Chai Wan Chinese Permanent Cemetery; and
- Wan Tsui Lane, except for vehicles making access to Hing Wah Plaza.

Cape Collinson Road east of Lin Shing Road is designated as private car and light goods vehicles prohibited zone from 7am to 3pm daily between March 9 and April 28, except for vehicles with permit.

B. Traffic diversions

Traffic along eastbound Wan Tsui Road between Fei Tsui Road and Lin Shing Road cannot turn right to Ling Shing Road during the above road closures.

Cape Collinson Road between its slip road to Crematorium and Shek O Road will be re-routed one-way westbound during the above road closures and the operation period of route No. 388 of Citybus.

C. No parking

During the above road closures, no parking will be permitted along the following roads:

- 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, private cars, goods vehicles, motorcycles, motor tricycles and pedal cycles cannot enter Lin Shing Road during the above road closures, while taxis cannot enter Lin Shing Road during Phase II.

(2) 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 March 23, 24 and 29 to 31, and April 1, 4, 6 and 7.

Four metered parking spaces (metered parking spaces No. 3941A, 3941B, 3942A and 3942B) and three motorcycle parking spaces at Victoria Road near Consort Rise will be suspended from 7am to 5.30pm daily between March 28 and April 10.

(3) Aberdeen

Depending on traffic conditions, 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 will be closed during the following time periods:

From 7.30am to 5.30pm daily on March 23, 24 and 29 to 31, and April 1, 6,

7, 13 and 14; and

- From 7.30am to 6.30pm on April 4.

Kowloon

(1) Tseung Kwan 0

The access road at Ko Chiu Road leading to Tseung Kwan O Chinese Permanent Cemetery will be closed from 5.30am to 6pm daily on March 23, 24, 29 and 30, and April 1, 6, 13, 14, 20, 21, 27 and 28, and May 1, except for special route No. 14S of Kowloon Motor Bus, hearses, funeral vehicles and vehicles with permit.

The above road will be closed from 5.30am to 8pm daily on March 31, and April 4 and 7.

Grave-sweepers can go to the cemetery on foot via the footpath with staircases opposite MTR Tiu Keng Leng Station or the access road on Ko Chiu Road. Those using wheel chairs are advised to enter the cemetery at Ko Chiu Road.

(2) Sai Kung

Mang Kung Wo Road will be closed from 8am to 5pm daily on March 23, 24 and 29 to 31, and April 1, 4, 6 and 7, except for vehicles with permit.

(3) Diamond Hill

A. Road closure

The following roads will be closed from 7am to 6pm daily on March 23, 24 and 29 to 31, and April 1, 4, 6, 7, 13 and 14, except for hearses and funeral vehicles:

- The access road leading to the Diamond Hill Crematorium;
- The access 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.

The following roads will be closed from 7am to 6pm daily on March 23 and 24:

Yuk Hok Lane and Yuk Wah Street east of Tsz Wan Shan Road, except for motorcycles, private cars and taxis.

The following roads will be closed from 7am to 6pm daily on March 29 to 31, and April 1, 4, 6, 7, 13 and 14:

Yuk Hok Lane and Yuk Wah Street east of Tsz Wan Shan Road, except for private cars and taxis.

B. Traffic diversions

The following traffic diversions will be implemented from 7am to 6pm daily on March 23, 24 and 29 to 31, and April 1, 4, 6, 7, 13 and 14:

- Vehicles must follow southbound Po Kong Village Road downhill for entering or leaving Fung Shing Street or Fu Shan Estate car park;
- Vehicles must follow northbound Po Kong Village Road uphill for entering or leaving Grand View Garden car park;
- Vehicles from eastbound Po Kong Village Road can turn to 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 from 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;
- Vehicles from 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 from 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;
- Vehicles from Tsz Wan Shan (South) Bus Terminus cannot turn right to eastbound Yuk Wah Street, except for franchised buses; and
- Traffic along Yuk Wah Crescent cannot turn right to eastbound Yuk Wah Street.

C. 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 March 23, 24 and 29 to 31, and April 1, 4, 6, 7, 13 and 14.

Motorcycle parking spaces at Yuk Wah Street near Yuk Hok Lane will be suspended from 7am to 6pm daily on March 29 to 31, and April 1, 4, 6, 7, 13 and 14.

Po Kong Village Road School Village car park will be closed and designated as taxi and private car drop-off point from 7am to 6pm daily on March 29 to 31, and April 1 and 4.

D. Passengers pick-up and drop-off points

The pick-up and drop-off point for private cars will be at westbound Yuk Wah Street near Yuk Hok Lane from 7am to 6pm daily on March 23, 24 and 29 to 31, and April 1, 4, 6, 7, 13 and 14.

(4) Cheung Sha Wan

A. Road closure

- Wing Ming Street and the unnamed road between Wing Ming Street and Saint Raphael's Catholic Cemetery will be closed from 7am to 7pm daily on March 23, 24 and 29 to 31, and April 1,4, 6 and 7, except for hearses, funeral vehicles, vehicles access by the Cemetery staff and vehicles with permit; and - Entrance road of Wing Tak Road will be closed from 7am to 5pm daily on March 29 to 31, and April 1 and 4, except for vehicles with permit.

B. No stopping or parking

The following traffic arrangements will be implemented on March 23, 24 and 29 to 31, and April 1, 4, 6 and 7:

- 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 drop off or pick up passengers along Yu Chau
 West Street near Wing Ming Street; and
- Stopping or parking will be prohibited on Ching Cheung Road from 7am to 7pm daily.

C. Suspension of 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 March 23, 24 and 29 to 31, and April 1, 4, 6 and 7.

Members of the public wishing to make access to 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 Cemetery. No parking facilities in the Cemetery will be open to public use.

New Territories

(1) Wo Hop Shek

The following traffic arrangements will be implemented daily on March 23, 24 and 29 to 31, and April 1, 4, 6, 7, 13 and 14:

A. Road closure (daily from 6am to 5pm)

 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.

B. 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.
- C. Suspension of parking spaces (daily from 7am to 5pm)
- The car park on Wo Hing Road near Wah Ming Road roundabout, except for taxis;
- The car park on Pak Wo Road near Fung Ying Seen Koon, except for the disabled parking spaces and public buses of the residents' service route No. NR112. Depending on prevailing situation, vehicles carrying elderly and disabled passengers may be allowed to use the car park for interchange with shuttle buses heading for Wo Hop Shek Cemetery; and
- Parking spaces on Wah Ming Lane.

(2) Sandy Ridge

The Frontier Closed Area from MTR Lo Wu Station to Lo Wu Station Road will be open to grave-sweepers from 6am to 6pm daily between March 23 and April 21.

The following roads will be closed from 6am to 6pm daily on March 23, 24 and 29 to 31, and April 1, 4, 6, 7, 13, 14, 20 and 21:

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

(3) Lau Fau Shan

The following special traffic arrangements will be implemented from 9am to 4pm on April 4:

- Deep Bay Road between Mong Tseng San Road and the unnamed road to Wan Fau
 Sin Koon will be re-routed one-way eastbound;
- Mong Tseng San Road will be re-routed one-way southbound;
- Traffic along eastbound Tin Ying Road cannot turn left to the slip road leading to Tin Yuet Road; and
- Traffic along westbound Deep Bay Road from Sha Kiu Tsuen and Mong Tseng Tsuen heading to Lau Fau Shan must turn left to Mong Tseng San Road towards Tin Ying Road, except for GMB route 35.

(4) Castle Peak

The following traffic arrangements will be implemented from 7am to 7pm daily on March 23, 24 and 29 to 31, and April 1, 4, 6, 7, 13, 14, 20 and 21:

A. Road closure

- Tsing San Path; and
- The access roads leading to Ching Chung Koon and Ching Chung Sin Yuen.

B. Traffic diversions

- Tsing Chung Koon Road between Tsing Lun Road and San Fuk Road will be rerouted one-way northbound; and
- San Fuk Road between Leung Shun Street and Tsing Chun Koon Road will be rerouted one-way westbound.

C. No parking

No parking will be permitted along the following roads:

- 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.

D. Passengers pick-up and drop-off points

Three 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.

(5) Tsang Tsui

Nim Wan Road between Yung Long Road and the access road to Tsang Tsui Columbarium will be closed from 7am to 7pm daily on March 23, 24, and 29 to 31, and April 1, 4, 6, 7, 13 and 14, except for franchised buses, MTR buses, taxis, vehicles heading for West New Territories Landfill, Y·PARK and T·PARK, and vehicles with permit.

(6) Kwai Tsing

Wing Yin Street and Wing Hau Street will be closed from 7am to 5pm daily on March 24, 29 and 30, and April 6, 13 and 14, except for hearses and franchised buses. $\tilde{a} \in \mathbb{R}$

The following traffic arrangements will be implemented from 7am to 5pm daily on March 31, and April 1, 4 and 7, and when necessary:

- Southbound Wing Tak Street between the entrance of City Point and 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 travel via Kwai Hei Street for Wing Kei Road; and
- Wing Hau Street will be closed.

(7) Tsuen Wan

A. Road closure

Lo Wai Road between Lo Wai Pai Lau and Yuen Yuen Institute will be closed from 8am to 6pm daily on March 30 and 31, and April 4, 6 and 7, except for franchised buses, taxis, GMB route 81 and vehicles with permit.

B. Suspension of parking spaces

During the above road closure, all metered parking spaces on Lo Wai Road near Yi Pei Chun Road, former Lo Wai Bus Terminus and Lo Wai Road outside Yuen Yuen Institute will be suspended from 8am to 6pm daily on March 30 and 31, and April 4, 6 and 7. Also, all metered parking spaces on Lo Wai Road outside Yuen Yuen Institute will be suspended from 8am to 6pm daily on March 17, 23, 24, 29 and April 1.

(8) Sha Tin

A. Road closure and traffic diversions

The following roads will be closed between 7am and 6pm daily on March 23, 24, and 29 to 31, and April 1, 4, 6, 7, 13 and 14:

- 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 between 9am and 5pm daily on March 23, 24, and 29 to 31, and April 1, 4, 6, 7, 13 and 14, 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 converted into one-lane two-way traffic between 9am and 5pm daily on March 30 and 31, and April 1, 4, 6 and 7.

B. Suspension of parking spaces

All metered parking spaces on Yau On Street and Lower Shing Mun Road will be suspended from 7am to 6pm daily on March 23, 24, and 29 to 31, and April 1, 4, 6, 7, 13 and 14.

(9) Lantau Island

The following traffic arrangements will be implemented from 6am to 6pm daily on March 29 to 31, and April 1 and 4 to 7:

- The closed Tung Chung Road between Shek Mun Kap Road and South Lantau Road will be temporarily opened; and
- All others roads on south Lantau will remain closed, except for vehicles with permit.

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 the 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.

Hong Kong Customs combats unfair trade practices at beauty parlours

Hong Kong Customs on March 14 and 18 arrested two directors and a salesperson of two beauty parlours suspected of having applied false trade descriptions to beauty services supplied, in contravention of the Trade Descriptions Ordinance (TDO).

Customs earlier received information alleging that staff members of two beauty parlours in Shek Mun and Kwun Tong had falsely claimed to provide beauty services with a particular brand of beauty device for consumers, but the beauty devices used in the treatment were in fact not manufactured by the said brand manufacturer.

After in-depth investigations, Customs officers disguised as customers were dispatched to conduct test-buy operations on March 14 and 18 respectively. It was found that the staff members concerned were suspected of applying false trade descriptions in the sale of a beauty service, in contravention of the TDO. Three women, aged 36 to 40, were arrested. An investigation is ongoing and the arrested persons have been released on bail pending further investigation.

Customs reminds traders to comply with the requirements of the TDO and consumers to procure services at reputable shops.

Under the TDO, any trader who applies a false trade description to a service supplied to a consumer commits an offence. The maximum penalty upon conviction is a fine of \$500,000 and imprisonment for five years.

Members of the public may report any suspected violations of the TDO to Customs' 24-hour hotline 2545 6182 or its dedicated crime-reporting email account (crimereport@customs.gov.hk) or online form

(<u>eform.cefs.gov.hk/form/ced002</u>).