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### Dear Residents and Business owner

# Re: Chinese and Luner New Year - Saturday 10th & Sunday 11th February 2024

I am writing to you regarding the plans for a large-scale event, the community celebration of the Chinese and Lunar New Year in Central London. On Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February, there will be a smaller, community led, day of celebrations. For this to happen, various roads in and around Chinatown will need to be closed between 11.30am and 6.00pm.

This year's main celebrations will be on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2024, these take place in Trafalgar Square, Wardour Street, Leicester Square, Shaftesbury Avenue and Chinatown. There will be a programme of events on the Trafalgar Square stage from midday until 6.00pm. A Parade starting from Duncannon Street at 10:00 will finish in Shaftesbury Avenue where the floats will be on display for the afternoon. There will be stalls operating from 11.00am until 5.30pm in various locations.

As you will know, Chinatown gets very busy during the New Year Celebrations and therefore If you operate a business in the area, please make sure that there are no obstructions on the pavements outside or in front of your premises on either the Saturday or the Sunday events that could add to the congestion. Please do not leave any trade or private waste out on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2024 before 6pm.

As a result of the large number of people expected to attend on Sunday 11th and for the celebrations to take place safely, several roads will be closed to traffic. The road closures have been agreed by all agencies involved in planning the event, including Westminster City Council, Transport for London and the Metropolitan Police Service. PLEASE NOTE: Parking restrictions will be in place and vehicles will be removed if parked in suspended bays. Please look out for yellow signs informing you about parking restrictions.

Shaftesbury Avenue will be closed in both directions, between Cambridge Circus and Piccadilly Circus. It will also be closed westbound from High Holborn to Cambridge Circus. These closures will last from 8am to 8pm. Charing Cross Road will also be closed from 8am to 8pm, from Cambridge Circus to Trafalgar Square, in both directions. Several side roads running off Shaftesbury Avenue, Charing Cross Road and Haymarket will be fully or partially closed. Pall Mall East will be closed, and there will be limited access around Trafalgar Square.

The full list of road closures can be seen on the reverse of this letter.

Stewards will be posted in each of the affected roads so please liaise with them on the day in respect to moving any vehicle from or within the area of closure. Should you have any questions or queries about any aspect of the Chinese New Year Celebrations, please visit our website at www.lccauk.com or call us on 020 7437 6888. Alternatively, you can contact Westminster City Council on 020 7641 2390.

We hope you will join us in the New Year Celebrations. Many thanks for your anticipated cooperation.

## **Ping Huang**

Festival Director

LCCA Chinese New Year Celebration in London

The largest community celebration of the Chinese and Lunar New Year outside Asia

Organised by the London Chinatown Chinese Association

Supported by the Mayor of London & The City of Westminster

For more information view our website via the QR code above

#### Road Closures for Festival of Spring Celebrations in London 2024

### Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2024 (11.00hrs – 18.00hrs)

Dansey Place

Gerrard Place

**Gerrard Street** 

Leicester Place

Leicester Street

Lisle Street

Little Newport Street

Macclesfield Street

**Newport Place** 

Wardour Street (between Shaftesbury Avenue and Coventry Street)

# Sunday 11th February (06.00hrs - 20.00hrs)

Bear Street

Charing Cross Road (southbound from Denmark Street to Shaftesbury Avenue)

Charing Cross Road (between St Martins Place and Shaftesbury Avenue)

Coventry Street

Cranbourne Street (east and west of Charing Cross Road)

Dansey Place

\*Dean Street (between Shaftesbury Avenue and Old Compton Street) - 5am to 8pm

\* Duncannon Street - 7am to 8pm

Earlham Street

Frith Street (between Shaftesbury Avenue and Old Compton Street)

Gerrard Place

Gerrard Street

Greek Street (between Shaftesbury Avenue and Old Compton Street)

Irving Street

High Holborn (No entry westbound from junction with Kingsway)

Hyde Park Corner slip road (eastbound on to Piccadilly)

Hyde Park Corner underpass (eastbound from the junction with Knightsbridge)

Leicester Court

Leicester Place

Leicester Square

Leicester Street

Lisle Street

Little Newport Street

Long's Court

Macclesfield Street

Moor Street (between Old Compton Street and Romilly Street)

New Compton Street (No Entry westbound from St Giles High Street)

**Newport Court** 

Newport Place

Orange Street

Oxenden Street

\* Pall Mall East 7am to 8pm

Panton Street

Piccadilly Arcade (between j/w Duke of Wellington Place and Piccadilly)

Romilly Street,

Rupert Street (between Archer Street and Shaftesbury Avenue),

Rupert Street (between Shaftesbury Avenue and Coventry Street),

- \* Shaftesbury Avenue (between Charing Cross Road and Piccadilly Circus). 7am to 8pm
- \* Shaftesbury Avenue (westbound from St Giles High St to Cambridge Circus), 7am to 8pm

St Martin's Place (between Trafalgar Square and Charing Cross Road),

St Martin's Street.

Suffolk Place,

Suffolk Street,

Tower Street,

Trafalgar Square (East side),

Trafalgar Square (West side),

\* Wardour Street (between Winnett Street and Shaftesbury Avenue), 7am to 8pm

Wardour Street (between Shaftesbury Avenue and Coventry Street),

Whitcomb Street

William IV Street (westbound from junction with Chandos Place to Charing Cross Rd)