

## **PROPOSED TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE IMPACT REPORT:**

### **WELLINGTON CHINESE NEW YEAR STREET PARADE – SUNDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2012**

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#### **1. Description of Event**

The annual Chinese New Year Festival began in 2002 and has five main events that run over the weekend of the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> of February 2012, with an estimated audience of over 20,000 people. The street parade is a major part of the celebrations and begins at Courtenay Place and culminates at Frank Kitts Park. Organised by the Asian Events Trust, the organisers do not require a closure for the street parade itself, but do require a safe assembly area for the performers and floats.

It is therefore proposed to close **Tennyson Street** (between Tory Street and Cambridge Terrace), to vehicle traffic, from 9am to 2.30pm on Sunday 12 February 2012. The parade starts at 2pm via Tennyson Street, Cambridge Terrace, Courtenay Place, Taranaki Street and on to the Taranaki Street wharf. The parade is to be carried out on the open road under a temporary traffic management plan - the details of which will be approved by a suitably qualified Council officer in charge of traffic.

Road closure notification signs will be placed at each end of the assembly closure at least one week prior to the event. Residents and local businesses will receive a letter drop advising them of the road closure and the parking restrictions. The closure is also to be advertised in the Our Wellington Page of the Dominion Post in the week preceding the parade. The road closure and the street parade are to be traffic managed by a professional traffic management company and emergency services will have immediate access to the area if required.

#### **2. City Events Directorate Support**

The Chinese New Year celebrations are a significant cultural festival in the city and the parade is now an annual event. This event is supported by the City Events Directorate.

### **3. Proposal Notice and Consultation**

The public notice that the Council was proposing to consider this closure was published in the following newspaper:

- Dominion Post Saturday 12 November 2011

The New Zealand Police and the Ministry of Transport have also been consulted with.

### **4. Objections**

No objections were received in response to the proposal notice.

### **5. Traffic Impact Assessment**

#### **Prior Closures**

None of the proposed closures for this event will result in a road being closed for an aggregate of more than 31 days in any year.

#### **Traffic Impact**

In the opinion of Soon Teck Kong, Manager Transport Network, acting as the Council's Traffic Engineer, the proposed closure, if implemented according to the plans provided, is not likely to impede traffic unreasonably subject to the conditions listed below. However, the Council reserves the right to modify this opinion at any time. If, in the opinion of the Council, the closure may or does impede traffic unreasonably, any approval granted by the Regulatory Processes Committee may be revoked and the event organiser may be required to open the road at the direction of a suitably qualified Council officer in charge of traffic.

Conditions:

- The event organiser is to notify the public via newspaper advertisement, letter drop, advanced signage and media releases.
- The event organiser is to obtain Council approval on the details of the traffic management plan prior to the event (in particular the Tennyson Street closure).
- The event organiser is responsible for safety (pedestrian and traffic) within the closed area.
- The event organiser is to provide marshals at all road closures ends to ensure that public safety (interaction of traffic and spectators) is not compromised.
- The event organiser is to provide marshalled vehicle access to all properties affected by the closure for the parade assembly.

Signed:.....



Soon Teck Kong  
Manager Transport Network

## ATTACHMENTS


- Copy of proposal notice from the newspaper
- Map of proposed closure

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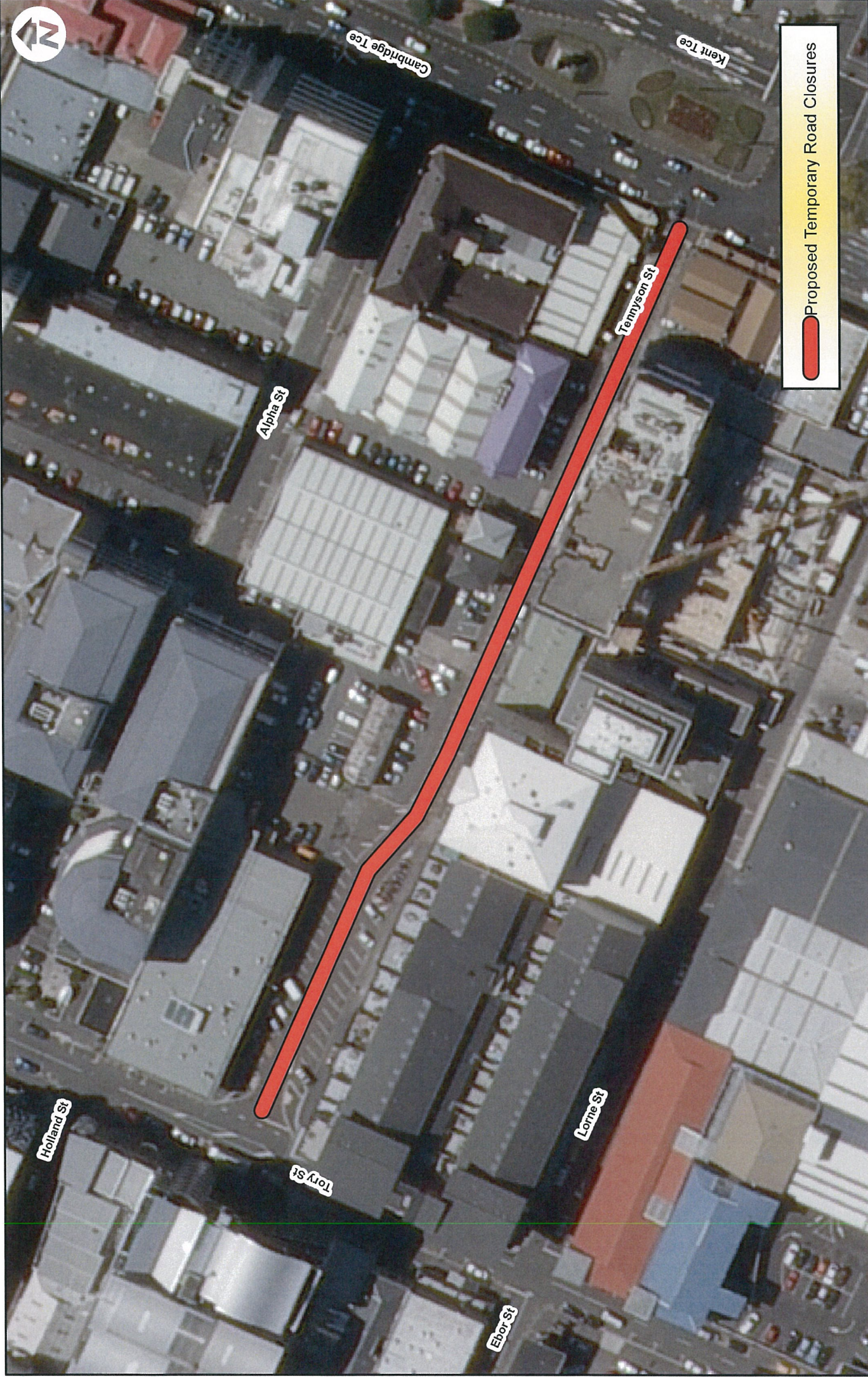


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Proposed Temporary Road Closures



# The Wellington Chinese New Year Street Parade

## Road Closures - Sunday 12th February 2012

### From 9am to 2:30pm. (Parade assembly only)

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