

Dear Resident / Business occupier,

This year's Bupa Great Manchester Run will take place on the morning of Sunday 18 May. Now in its 12th year it has become a hugely successful race and will be broadcast live again on BBC 2 from 10:00 – 12:30 (Please check local TV listings for up to date timings).

As ever the programme will see some of the best athletes in the world running at the head of a field of 40,000 competitors. Starting with an elite wheelchair race at 09:55 and an elite women's race at 10:12, the mass start will follow at 10:34 with a number of world-class male athletes at the front of the field.

The event has an extremely positive impact on the City of Manchester, bringing 40,000 runners to the city annually, plus family and friends, as well as BBC cameras to showcase the city and surrounding areas.

The race route is one 10km lap, starting on Portland Street by the junction with Oxford Street and finishing on Deansgate close to the Hilton Hotel (Beetham Tower). A number of roads within the city will be affected by this event and road closure and traffic diversion plans will be in operation on the day. Warning notices will be installed 7 days beforehand on key routes. A copy of the route map is attached overleaf and full closures are listed below.

Tonman Street between Deansgate and Barton Street will be closed from 09:00 on Saturday 17 May 2014.

There will be no access from Deansgate along Tonman Street or onto Longworth Street. Access Tonman Street via Barton Street; access Longworth Street via Camp Street.

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The following roads will be closed from 04:00. To build the start area, Portland Street between Oxford Street and Princess Street, including Dickinson Street to the South-East of Portland Street and to build the finish area Deansgate between Whitworth Street West and Peter Street including St John Street from Deansgate to Byrom Street.

The following roads will be closed from 08:00 to allow for the course to be set up ready for the run. This will include Princess Street between Albert Square and Portland Street; Portland Street from Princess Street to New York Street; Chepstow Street; Great Bridgewater Street; Bridgewater Viaduct; Chester Road between Bridgewater Viaduct and Cornbrook; Bridgewater Way; Chester Road between White City Circle and Sir Matt Busby Way; Sir Matt Busby Way; Wharfside Way; Warren Bruce Road; Trafford Wharf Road between Warren Bruce Road and Trafford Road; Waterside; Sir Alex Ferguson Way (formerly Water's Reach); Trafford Road from White City Circle to Colgate Lane; Peter Street; Southmill Street; Bootle Street; Jackson's Row; Lloyd Street; Central Street; Byrom Street between Quay Street and Hardman Street; Hardman Street; Atkinson Street; Deansgate between Peter Street and John Dalton Street; Oxford Street between Peter Street and Whitworth Street West; Abingdon Street; George Street from Charlotte Street to Nicholas Street and Nicholas Street to Princess Street; Minshull Street from Portland Street to Aytoun; Bloom Street from Chorlton Street to Princess Street and Major Street from Sackville Street to Princess Street; City Road East and Great Jackson Street.

Please note - While Portland Street is closed, access to Chorlton Street Coach Station will be via Sackville Street.

The following roads will be closed from 09:30 to link up the start of the course with Bridgewater Viaduct: Whitworth Street West from Deansgate to Gloucester Street; Albion Street; Medlock Street.

Residents living directly on, or with secured parking off, any of the above roads who will need to use their car on the morning of Sunday 18 May 2014 should use alternative parking away from those roads affected by the road closures.

Event stewards and course staff will assist traffic and residents wherever possible on the day of the race, allowing access to and from properties within the road closures whenever it is safe to do so up until 09:30. Please note that for safety reasons there can be no access onto the course after this time. We will endeavour to open roads as soon as possible.

The following roads will re-open from 13:30: Albion Street; Medlock Street; City Road East; Great Jackson Street; Whitworth Street West from Albion Street to Gloucester Street.

The following roads will re-open from 14:30: Portland Street; Chepstow Street; Great Bridgewater Street; Princess Street, George Street and Oxford Street.

All other roads in use for the course will re-open from 17:00 as soon as the course has been cleansed, with the exception of those roads listed below at the finish area.

The following street will re-open from 17:00: Deansgate from Whitworth Street West to Peter Street.

The following street will re-open from 19:00: St. John Street.

The following street will re-open from 21:00: Tonman Street.

PARKING SUSPENSIONS

On street parking suspensions will be in operation within the city centre for the duration of the event, the majority of which start at 03:00 on Sunday 18 May 2014. These suspensions will be signed clearly in advance in accordance with Manchester City Council protocol. Please do not park your car in any of the parking bays during the period of suspension as it will be removed for safety purposes by the Manchester City Council Parking team in accordance with their current uplift policy. There will be a charge to recover the impounded vehicle.


ADDITIONAL CLOSURE FOR THE BT GREAT CITYGAMES MANCHESTER






On Saturday 17 May 2014 Manchester will host the sixth BT Great CityGames Manchester which will see world class athletes competing in a number of different sprint events on a purpose built track on Deansgate. The BBC will also be broadcasting live from the BT Great CityGames Manchester at 13:15. (Please check local TV listings for up to date timings). In order to accommodate the track build, the following road closure will be implemented stopping ALL vehicle access to this section of Deansgate – please note that footpaths remain open at ALL times to pedestrians.

Deansgate - in both directions from the junction of Quay Street/ Peter St to the junction of John Dalton St / Bridge St. This will be closed from 05:00 on Wednesday 14 May until 17:00 on Sunday 18 May 2014.

We apologise for any inconvenience that this event may cause you. Full traffic diversion signage, approved by Police and relevant local authorities, will be in place across all areas affected by road closures.

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-  Diabetes UK
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