

ABP Southampton Marathon Race Sunday 22nd April 2018 NOTICE OF ROAD CLOSURES

Dear Resident,

My name is Chris Rees and I am the Race Director for the ABP Southampton Marathon which will be taking place on Sunday 22nd April 2018. There is also a Half marathon, 10k and children's races.

The event is now in its 4th year and it is anticipated that 10,000 runners will be pounding the pavements. Each year we work with local residents and businesses to ensure traffic continues to move around the city as much as possible and we managed to increase the number of yellow open routes on the map on the reverse.

We have been in extensive talks with the council and other agencies following lessons learned at previous events to make sure that the day runs as smoothly as possible and to minimise disruptions. In the previous 3 years we have now raised over £750,000 for local charities many of which are based here in Southampton.

The race will involve **road closures around the city between 8am and 4pm on Sunday 22nd April** (with the exception of Guildhall Square area which is the Race Village area and closed from 7am Sat – 8pm Sun). It is likely that traffic will be heavier around the city centre area so it will be advisable to plan and allow extra time for your journey.

PORTSWOOD – NEW ROUTES FOR 2018

This year we are very excited to be able to include the beautiful Woolston Waterfront in the Marathon route and a direct run up through Portswood via Highfield Lane, crossing both Thomas Lewis Way and Portswood road so to move North South or South North will require using Burgess Road and the Avenue or Hill Lane for Westquay.

North of Highfield Lane

If you are in the Portswood area north of Highfield Lane, the access to the city centre should be via Hill Lane and the Avenue. Burgess Road and the University of Southampton campus are not part of the route this year which will ensure traffic moves as per normal.

South of Highfield Lane

Lodge Road, and the Avenue are all open for access as per normal. For access East of the city please use the Avenue and Burgess Road.

Road Closures and Traffic Information –

There is more up to date information on our website: <http://www.ABPsouthamptonmarathon.co.uk/> and we are also available on @marafunuk on twitter.

Thank you in advance for your assistance and understanding with this event. If you have any queries or concerns about the race and how this may affect you please don't hesitate to contact us.

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SAINTS FANS – Please note road closures will affect you leaving the city, and the London Marathon is on in the city so please plan your journey.

A graphic with the words "thank you!" in a playful, multi-colored font. The letters are in shades of yellow, green, blue, and red, with a white outline. The exclamation point is also multi-colored.