Community Events and Parades on the public highway

Q & A

Why have the requirements on event organisers changed?

Kent Police are no longer able to provide officers to carry out traffic management for most events on the public highway.

KCC Highways & Transportation, Kent Police and Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council, have agreed to develop a new procedure to facilitate these community events to continue (this procedure is currently being developed).

What are the main changes to the current process?

The main change is that, rather than using Police officers to close the road the emphasis is on the event organiser to provide 'competent' marshals to maintain the traffic management that is put in place.

KCC Highways and Kent Police will verify the list of competent marshals to ensure they are suitable for the type of event and the traffic management.

Is there any charge for closures administered by TMBC?

There are no charges applied directly to event organisers for the application and approval process for events on the public highway that use the Town Police Clauses Act administer by TMBC.

However, if as part of the event management plan, cones and signs are required, it is the responsibility of the event organiser to source the correct signage and traffic management.

Is there any charge for closures administered by KCC?

Yes, KCC will make charges if the event requires a Road Traffic Act closure.

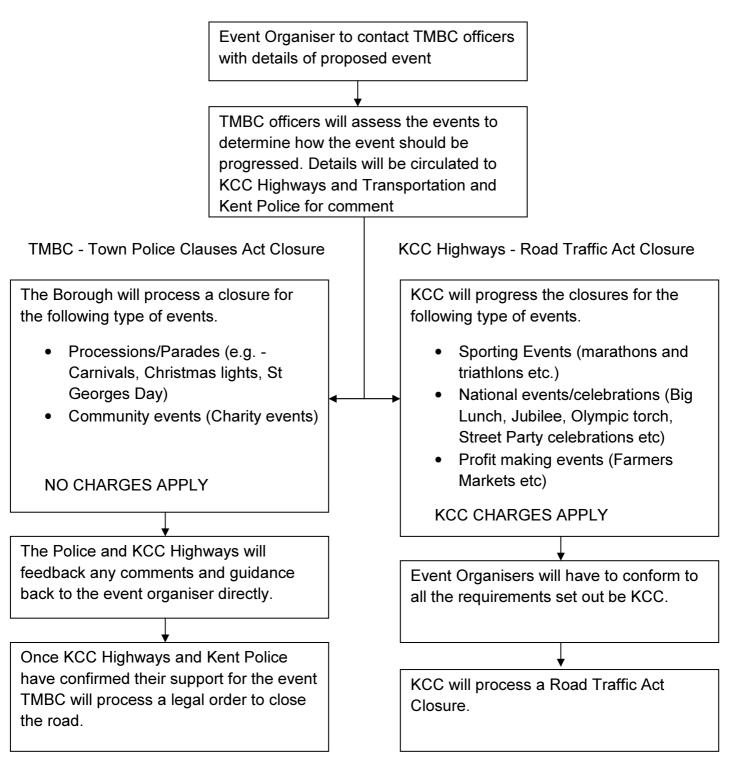
Is there any help available to draft the event management plans?

Yes, Kent Police have a newly formed events team that are able to help with the aspects of the traffic management plans, whilst KCC Highways will review and help with the plans for any planned events on the public highway.

What will happen with Remembrance Day Services?

Kent Police will continue to provide officers to assist in the traffic management where resources allow.

The Process



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Please note that Kent Police will continue to support Remembrance Day Parades where resources allow.