Notting Hill Carnival 2018

City of Westminster
RESIDENTS’ INFORMATION
Sunday 26 and Monday 27 August

Notting Hill Carnival is a truly international event – attracting thousands of people from across London and from right across the globe. It is the capital’s biggest party and the country’s biggest cultural event. It is an eclectic and exciting mix of colour, vibrancy and history and both of our councils are proud to support it every year.

As with any party, there are always consequences. In our case it is not the hangovers the next day, but the logistical challenges like dealing with noise, crowds and litter. We recognise Carnival has a major impact on those who live and work in the area, so Kensington and Chelsea Council and Westminster City Council will, as ever, work closely with the organisers to make sure Carnival is safe, well run, and reduces unnecessary disruption to you, our residents and business owners.

We hope this leaflet provides all the practical information for residents over Carnival weekend. It includes a Carnival map, the details of the route and event schedule, road and parking restrictions, public transport diversions, safety information and contact details for all the organisations involved.

If you have concerns or questions, please contact the relevant agency using the details listed in this booklet.

www.rbkc.gov.uk/carnival
or phone 020 7341 5147

www.westminster.gov.uk/notting-hill-carnival
or phone 020 7641 2000

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INTRODUCTION

Notting Hill Carnival is organised by Notting Hill Carnival Ltd (NHCL). During the three-day event, it can attract upwards of 500,000 people to our area.

The Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea and Westminster City Council will work with NHCL, the Metropolitan Police, London Fire Brigade, London Ambulance Service, British Transport Police, Transport for London, St John Ambulance, NHS England and the Greater London Authority to ensure the safety of local residents, participants and visitors during the event.

Commemoration of the Grenfell Tragedy

Notting Hill Carnival will be paying respects to the victims, bereaved families and survivors and all those affected by the Grenfell Tower tragedy.

Organisers and the local community are working together, with the support of the authorities, to achieve the following:

• A 72-second silence on both Sunday and Monday at 3pm. There will be a 2-minute announcement in the lead up to the silence

• A quiet space for reflection along the Bramley Road memorial sites

• The Lancaster West Estate will be closed to the general public

• Artworks and creative shows of solidarity and remembrance encouraged and led by the community
The councils’ main roles are to:

- Make sure street traders at Carnival meet the necessary safety and legal standards
- Pick up litter, get your street clean and get the area back to normal as soon as practically possible after Carnival
- Provide toilets for the event where possible
- Agree permission for music to be played during the event and then monitor noise levels
- Support the management of traffic around the area
OFFICIAL START AND FINISH TIMES

This year’s Carnival will start at 10am on Sunday and 10.30am on Monday. The judging point on Great Western Road will close at 6.30pm.

SATURDAY 25 AUGUST 2018

UK National Panorama steelband competition
6pm-11pm
Emslie Horniman’s Pleasance Park
W10 3DH

SUNDAY 26 AUGUST 2018

J’Ouvert
6am to 9am

Opening Ceremony
10am to 10.30am

Children’s Day Parade and Carnival
10.30am to 8.30pm

MONDAY 27 AUGUST

Adult’s Day Parade and Carnival
10.30am to 8.30pm

On both Sunday and Monday static sound systems will start at midday and end at 7pm. All parade floats have been asked to leave the route by dusk.

Street trading stalls will start at midday and close at 7pm in Westminster and 8pm in Kensington and Chelsea.
The UK National Panorama Steelband Competition will be held on Saturday 25 August from 7pm to 11pm in Emslie Horniman’s Pleasance, Kensal Road. Kensal Road will be closed to vehicles between Ladbroke Grove and Golborne Road at the junction with Elkstone Road. Panorama will be a ticketed event this year, please visit nhcarnival.org for more details.

J’ouvert, the traditional ‘opening of the day’ celebration ahead of the formal start of Carnival, will take place between 6am until 9am on Sunday 26 August.

CARNIVAL ROUTE

To see details of the route please see the map on pages 12 and 13 for more details. There are two judging zones at the event, the main judging point is on Great Western Road and the Steelband and Brazilian Band judging zone is on Westbourne Park Road.
ROAD CLOSURES AND PARKING RESTRICTIONS

To create a safe environment during Carnival, a number of road closures and restrictions are put in place. Even if your usual parking place is not in a restricted street, you may wish to move your car because experience has shown that vehicles may be damaged inadvertently due to the sheer number of visitors attending the event.

Unfortunately, due to the lack of alternative parking near the area, we are not able to provide alternative on-street parking for affected residents.

As a result of a security review the police will again be maintaining the total Traffic Exclusion Zones, where no vehicles are permitted overnight.

Residents will not be allowed to access their vehicles until the early hours of the Tuesday morning and they should only seek access at a closure point that is closest to their property.
Residents should ensure their vehicles are outside the Carnival area (the route is marked on the map) and surrounding streets by 6am on Sunday 26 August. If possible it would greatly help the police if residents moved their vehicles the night before from the area.

The police will be checking all vehicles entering the area and surrounding streets to ensure that only Carnival-related and emergency vehicles are allowed in.

On Sunday and Monday all traffic, other than floats and emergency vehicles, will be refused entry into the area.

Subject to police decision, roads are closed until 6am on Tuesday but please leave it as late as possible before driving vehicles back into the Carnival area.

We will place prominent parking suspension signs on the route, and in safety and pedestrian zones, about two weeks before the Carnival.
Kensington and Chelsea Residents

For a full list of road closures please visit goo.gl/DAfupp or call 020 7341 5109 with specific questions. There will be further road closures on the west of the route. Please check www.rbkc.gov.uk/carnival for updates.

TEMPORARY WAITING RESTRICTIONS

The Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea also enforces waiting restrictions in much of Campden Ward and a small part of Pembridge Ward during Carnival, between 10am and 8pm on the Sunday and Bank Holiday Monday. Temporary warning signs will be displayed so please look out for these. To access the temporary waiting restrictions map please visit www.rbkc.gov.uk/carnival

Westminster Residents

- A small number of streets in Westminster will begin having parking restrictions from Monday 20 August.

- In order to protect Westminster residents’ parking in the areas north of the main Carnival site and route, Westminster City Council will extend the hours of parking controls for residents. For more information visit www.westminster.gov.uk/notting-hill-carnival
SAFETY ZONES

The safety zones, shown in yellow on the map on pages 12 and 13, are closed to visitors. This is to help with crowd management and facilitate movement of emergency vehicles. Residents who live in these areas will still be able to access their homes on foot, but will need to have ID showing their name and address, such as a bank statement, council tax statement, utility bill or driving licence.

KEY POINTS TO REMEMBER:

No vehicles are permitted access to the Carnival area after 6am on the Sunday, except floats and emergency vehicles. Vehicles should be removed by 6am Sunday. Subject to police decision, roads are closed until 6am on Tuesday but, please leave it as late as possible before driving vehicles back into the Carnival area.

Residents on foot must have ID showing their name and address in order to get to their homes if they are in safety zones or if they have to go through a safety zone to get to their home.
STREET TRADING

Food stalls and other traders are a longstanding feature of Carnival. We work with traders to make sure they are regulated and meet the necessary standards.

Full details of authorised sites in the Royal Borough are available from the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea’s Street Trading Office on 020 7341 5147 before Carnival. For further information on Royal Borough licensed street trading, please contact carnivalstreettrading@rbkc.gov.uk or visit: www.rbkc.gov.uk/carnival

Full details of sites in Westminster are available in advance from Westminster City Council’s Licensing Service on 020 7641 6500 or via carnival@westminster.gov.uk. If you have any problems during Carnival call 020 7641 2000. We will take action to make sure licensed stallholders stop trading at the time specified on their licence, 7pm in Westminster and 8pm in Kensington and Chelsea, and do not continue trading late into the night.
UNLICENSED TRADING

We share residents’ concerns about the problems caused by unlicensed trading and sound systems on private land. For some years we and police have adopted a firm policy to combat unlicensed street traders during Carnival and every year there are many prosecutions for illegal trading. We want to tackle the problems caused for the majority of residents by a minority who use their gardens to trade to the public during Carnival weekend. It is unlawful to carry out any unauthorised licensable activity (or knowingly allow such an activity to be carried out).

Unlawful licensable activities may include:
- selling alcohol
- performing live music
- playing recorded music
- performing dance

If you allow such activities to take place on your premises without the appropriate licence you are committing an offence. To check if you require a licence for some planned Carnival activity please call 020 7341 5147.

If you have any concerns about street trading activities taking place during Carnival, please contact us via carnival@rbkc.gov.uk or carnival@westminster.gov.uk

SOUND SYSTEMS

We know sound systems and floats are a vital part of Carnival but many residents are concerned about the volume. Noise levels will be monitored by Council officers. If levels are too loud the sound system operator or float will be required to adjust the volume. If you feel the noise from a sound system is too loud, please call the appropriate council. Contact details on page 22. All static sound systems close down by 7pm and we will monitor the situation to make sure people comply. If you want to complain about the level of noise during Carnival please call 020 7361 3002 if you are in Kensington and Chelsea or 020 7641 2000 if you are in Westminster.
CLEAN-UP

Rubbish will be cleared each night from the main Carnival area, the timings are subject to police advice on when it is suitable time to start. Main roads and areas around transport hubs also take priority for the clean-up. The barriers and signs will be removed by the police after the event.

Register for your post-Carnival clean-up

We provide a free cleaning service for residents within the Carnival footprint, whose front gardens/basements have been affected during Carnival. Please be aware of the following:

1. **You must register your details**, including full name, address and telephone number, for the front garden/basement clean up

2. You are not eligible if trading has taken place in your front garden/basement

3. You are not eligible if a party/gathering has taken place on your property*

4. This service is to clear Carnival rubbish only, not a deep clean or pressure wash

5. If your basement has drainage, it is your responsibility to ensure it is functioning and not blocked

6. Areas requiring cleaning must be safely accessible

7. Addresses are visited on a schedule based on demand within a location. This means we cannot guarantee a date/time for cleaning
For residents in Kensington and Chelsea, if points 2 and 3 apply, and/or if you are requesting a deep clean of a basement that does not contain Carnival related rubbish, a fee is payable as follows: £25 per basement for a basic sweep and litter clearance, and £70 with a pressure wash.

Kensington and Chelsea residents can register to have their front garden and basements cleaned by calling Streetline 020 7361 3001. This is a registration only service. The deadline to register is Thursday 6 September.

For residents within Westminster, if you meet the requirements, you can register for our free Notting Hill Carnival cleaning service for your garden via www.westminster.gov.uk/notting-hill-cleanup. You can register until Thursday 23 August.

* Officers from the councils will be checking addresses during Carnival and recording details of any such activity.

Contact details on page 22.
SAFETY INFORMATION

Information and advice will be available from the London Ambulance Service and St John Ambulance staff who will be in the area during Carnival. There will be a number of treatment centres in operation, together with medical response teams and ambulances. If there is a medical emergency, first look around for help.

You can assist by directing people to the nearest treatment centre or, if they cannot be moved, by reporting it. There will be hundreds of police, medical and stewarding staff nearby who may be able to help or summon help more quickly than phoning for assistance. If you cannot see anyone immediately able to help you, then dial 999 with the following information:

• the exact location where help is required – the house number, or nearest house number, street name, postal code and any landmark or nearest junction if possible. If ambulance staff are on foot, please signal the team as it can be difficult to find the exact location in Carnival
• the number of patients and their age/sex
• a description of what is wrong – for example, chest pains, whether they are breathing, unconscious or bleeding
• reporting if they are conscious

If possible, get someone to signal where the ambulance staff are needed.
REMEMBER:

If you choose to drink alcohol, drink responsibly.

Wear clothing appropriate for the weather.

If it is hot and sunny, please protect your skin from the sun and drink plenty of water.

Don’t bring glass.

Wear sensible footwear – flip flops lead to many foot injuries, which stop you enjoying your weekend.

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INFORMATION AND ADVICE FROM THE LONDON FIRE BRIGADE

If you are having a barbecue at home during Carnival, please make sure you place it on a flat surface on level ground so it does not tip over. Never use petrol or paraffin to light it. In general make sure you keep the barbecue outside and far away from buildings, fences, sheds or other garden furniture.

If fire breaks out, warn other people and get out and stay out. Call the fire brigade by dialling 999. Please make sure that you are familiar with the escape plan for your property, and that you understand how and when to escape in the event of an emergency.

The London Fire Brigade carries out home fire safety visits and will fit a free smoke alarm where needed.

For more information, please visit the London Fire Brigade website at www.london-fire.gov.uk

Never use petrol or paraffin to light your barbecue.
TRAVEL INFORMATION FROM TRANSPORT FOR LONDON
Details for 26 and 27 August 2017

TRAVELLING BY TUBE

 Stations in the Carnival area
 For safety reasons some stations may close temporarily to prevent overcrowding. It may be worthwhile walking part of your journey or seeking an alternative route.

 Ladbroke Grove
 Station closed on Sunday and Bank Holiday Monday.

 Latimer Road
 On Sunday and Bank Holiday Monday the station will close at 11.30pm.

 Notting Hill Gate
 On Sunday and Bank Holiday Monday the station will be ‘exit only’ between 11am and 7pm. During this time on both days, District and Circle line trains will not stop at Notting Hill Gate.

 Westbourne Park
 On Sunday and Bank Holiday Monday the station will be ‘exit only’ between 11am and 6pm. The station will close at 11.30pm on both days.

 Holland Park
 On both Sunday and Monday, Holland Park station will close at 6pm and no trains will stop at Holland Park.

 Royal Oak
 On Sunday and Bank Holiday Monday the station will be ‘exit only’ between 11am and 6pm. The station will close at 6pm on both days.

 Bayswater
 On Bank Holiday Monday between 11am and 7pm it may be advisable to use this station as Circle and District line trains will not stop at Notting Hill Gate.

 Paddington (Hammersmith and City and Circle lines)
 On Sunday and Bank Holiday Monday it may be advisable to use this station instead of Notting Hill Gate/Royal Oak as both these stations will have entry restrictions.

 Other nearby stations
 High Street Kensington (Circle and District lines), Queen’s Park (Bakerloo line), Kensal Green (Bakerloo line) and Shepherd’s Bush (Central line).

 Please check www.tfl.gov.uk/notting-hill-carnival for more detailed information about the District and Circle line timetable over the Carnival weekend.
TRAVELLING BY LONDON OVERGROUND

London Overground stations near to the Carnival -

- Queen’s Park, Kensal Rise, Kensal Green and Shepherd’s Bush.
  A normal timetable will run on the majority of the London Overground network on Sunday, and a Saturday timetable will run on Bank Holiday Monday.

Please check before you travel at www.tfl.gov.uk/notting-hill-carnival

CYCLING

Santander cycle docks in the Carnival Zone will be suspended. If cycling to Carnival, leave your bicycle somewhere secure and out of sight. Don’t cycle within the zone - it can be dangerous and cause considerable annoyance to other Carnival goers.

TRAVELLING BY BUS

London Buses will operate extra day and night buses to serve Carnival. Due to road closures, day and night buses will be diverted away from the Carnival area from 10pm Saturday (25 August) until early on Tuesday morning (28 August).

- During these times buses will start from the Prince of Wales on Harrow Road to the north of the Carnival area.
- To the south of the Carnival area buses will start from Notting Hill Gate.

Bus stops within or next to the area will carry displays about diversions or disruptions. For full details of bus route changes, please check before you travel at www.tfl.gov.uk/notting-hill-carnival

For traffic alerts follow @TfLTrafficNews
### HELPLINES AND CONTACT DETAILS

**METROPOLITAN POLICE**

Call **101** for local police and in an emergency call **999**

For information on policing Notting Hill Carnival go to [www.met.police.uk](http://www.met.police.uk)

Follow the police on twitter @MetPoliceEvents

**ROYAL BOROUGH OF KENSINGTON AND CHELSEA**

**NOISE PROBLEMS**

T: **020 7361 3002** (24hr)

E: environmentalhealth@rbkc.gov.uk

**BASEMENT CLEANING**

T: **020 7361 3001**

(Streetline, weekdays, 8.30am to 5.30pm)

E: streetline@rbkc.gov.uk

**HOUSING MANAGEMENT**

T: **0800 137 111** (weekdays, 9am to 5pm)

**OTHER ENQUIRIES BEFORE CARNIVAL**

T: **020 7341 5147**

(weekdays, 9am to 5pm, until 25 August)

The Royal Borough’s website has information on the Notting Hill Carnival. Visit [www.rbkc.gov.uk/carnival](http://www.rbkc.gov.uk/carnival)

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**WESTMINSTER CITY COUNCIL**

**NOISE PROBLEMS**

T: **020 7641 2000**

(24hr Action Line)

**CLEANING ENQUIRIES**

(including the front garden and basement cleaning service)

T: **020 7641 2000**

(24hr Action Line)

E: environmentalactionline@westminster.gov.uk

W: [www.westminster.gov.uk/notting-hill-cleanup](http://www.westminster.gov.uk/notting-hill-cleanup)

Please note, this service offers the free removal of event litter only. The service does not cater for properties that have used their private land to trade or entertain during Carnival.

**CITYWEST HOMES**

T: **0800 358 3783**

(weekdays, 9am to 5pm)

**Other enquiries before Carnival**

T: **020 7641 2390**

(weekdays, 9am to 5pm, until 24 August)

E: carnival@westminster.gov.uk

Westminster City Council’s website has information on the Notting Hill Carnival. Visit [www.westminster.gov.uk/notting-hill-carnival](http://www.westminster.gov.uk/notting-hill-carnival)

Follow Westminster City Council on Twitter at [@CityWestminster](http://twitter.com/CityWestminster)

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Follow the Carnival updates on Twitter at [@nhcarnivalldn](http://twitter.com/nhcarnivalldn)
If you have any comments or concerns about this year’s Carnival, please write to:
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There will be a post-Carnival meeting for all residents, the date and location will be announced on www.rbkc.gov.uk/carnival and on www.westminster.gov.uk/notting-hill-carnival
Information from this document can be made available in alternative formats and in different languages. If you require further assistance please use the contact details below.

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