



Dear Resident,

31 August 2017

## **Simplyhealth Great East Run – Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2017**

The inaugural Simplyhealth Great East Run will take place in Ipswich on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September with a start time of 10:00. To create a safe and enjoyable race course, The Great Run Company has worked closely with Suffolk County Council and Ipswich Borough Council to minimise the impact of the race on the area, however it is likely that there will be some disruption. This letter is intended to provide clear information regarding how the event will affect your area.

The event will have approximately 3000 runners that will start in Russell Road, Ipswich between Endeavour House and Grafton House. The route will head around the town centre before going through Holywells Park and onto the Waterfront. Once through the waterfront runners will then follow an out and back section along Wherstead Road and out along the Strand, under the iconic Orwell Bridge into Freston. Once back onto Ipswich runners will go along Grafton Way, Princes Street and Portman Road before finishing in the grounds of Ipswich Town Football Club.

To facilitate the event a number of road closures and traffic diversion plans will be in operation on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2017, as detailed below.

### **Closure Times - Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September**

**From 14:00:** Russell Road and Constantine Road

### **Closure Times – Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September**

**From 06:30:** Sir Alf Ramsey Way, Portman Road, Grafton Way, Chancery Road, New Cardinal Street, Chalon Street, Princes Street, Civic Drive, Franciscan Way, Museum Street, Cornhill, Tavern Street, Upper Brook Street, Butter Market, Queen Street, Falcon Street, Old Cattlemarket, Dogs Head Street, Lower Brook Street, Star Lane, Lower Orwell Street, Eagle Street, Bond Street, Rope Walk, Grimwade Street, Duke Street Myrtle Road, Cliff Lane, Holywells Road, Pattison Road and Waterfront between Pattison Road and Bridge Street

**From 07:30:** Bridge Street, Stoke Quay, New Cut West, Bath Street, Hawes Street, Wherstead Road, Vernon Street

**From 09:00:** The Strand, Freston 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 24<sup>th</sup> September should use alternative parking away from those roads affected by the road closure.**

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 and 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. This will take place in the following phases:

### **Re-Opening Times**

**From 11:15:** Civic Drive, Franciscan Way, Museum Street, Cornhill, Tavern Street, Upper Brook Street, Butter Market, Queen Street, Falcon Street, Old Cattlemarket, Dogs Head Street, Lower Brook Street, Star Lane, Lower Orwell Street, Eagle Street, Bond Street, Rope Walk, Grimwade Street, Duke Street Myrtle Road, Cliff Lane, Holywells Road, Pattison Road and Waterfront between Pattison Road and Bridge Street

**From 12:35:** The Strand, Freston Street

**From 13:35:** Bridge Street, Stoke Quay, New Cut West, Bath Street, Hawes Street, Wherstead Road, Vernon Street

**From 14:00:** Bridge Street, Grafton Way, Chancery Road, New Cardinal Street, Chalon Street, Princes St (between Civic Drive and Grafton Way), Portman Road, Sir Alf Ramsey Way

We hope that this does not cause too much inconvenience, and as ever we will strive to minimise the disruption to local businesses and residents on the day of the event. If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact us using the details below.

Thank you in advance for your support,

**The Simplyhealth Great East Run Team**

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