

**AJ Bell World Triathlon Leeds: Sunday 9 June 2019
PLAN AHEAD FOR ROAD CLOSURES**

On Sunday 9 June 2019, Leeds will host a stage of the ITU World Triathlon Series for the fourth year.

I am writing to let you know that your business is either situated on the route, or is on a road that only has access via the route. We want to help you plan for any interruption to your normal day so that you remember AJ Bell World Triathlon Leeds 2019 for all the right reasons and enjoy the event.

The route will take in areas of Roundhay, Harehills, Chapel Allerton, Hunslet, Moortown, Meanwood, Oakwood, Weetwood, Headingley, Hyde Park, Woodhouse and the city centre. There will also be activity in and around Roundhay Park on Saturday 8 June. We are working to keep road closures to a minimum. However, there will be approximately 5,000 athletes competing as well as an estimated 75,000 spectators across the weekend, and roads on and around the route will need to be closed for their safety.

The road(s) near your business will be closed to all public vehicles for a period of time on Sunday 9 June. This is to allow for preparation of the route, the event itself, removal of event infrastructure, and safe dispersal of spectators. Exact closure times for different areas of the route are provided on our online map at leeds.triathlon.org/local We will also write to you again in May to confirm these times.

There will also be revised public transport timetables during the event, as well as diversions and limited parking in the city centre.

There is lots you can do to plan ahead for the road closures and minimise interruption to your normal day. Please make sure you:

- read the Frequently Asked Questions overleaf
- look at the online map for full details of road closures as well as the main routes which will remain open, at leeds.triathlon.org/local
- check changes to public transport timetables closer to the event on Metro's website wymetro.com

I understand that AJ Bell World Triathlon Leeds 2019 may cause you some inconvenience, but be assured the council and event organisers are working very hard with many partner agencies within the city to forward plan, minimise disruption, and ensure the city delivers another world-class event.

Building on the success of previous ITU World Triathlon Series events in Leeds, the spectator numbers and global positioning of Leeds once again offer fantastic opportunities for you and your business to capitalise not only on this event and its international exposure, but its continued presence within Leeds. Many opportunities exist, including corporate entry packages or holding your own activity to get your business and customers excited about AJ Bell World Triathlon Leeds 2019. If you are interested in receiving updates or would like more details about any of these opportunities, please email leeds@britishtriathlon.org

Yours faithfully



Martin Farrington
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AJ Bell World Triathlon Leeds 2019 – Frequently Asked Questions

What is AJ Bell World Triathlon Leeds 2019?

The ITU World Triathlon Series is the highest level of elite triathlon competition, and sees the world's best triathletes compete each year to become world champion – as Vicky Holland did in 2018, Alistair Brownlee in 2009 and 2011, and Jonathan Brownlee in 2012. AJ Bell World Triathlon Leeds on Sunday 9 June will see our city positioned in the series alongside Abu Dhabi, Bermuda, Yokohama, Leeds/Nottingham, Montreal, Hamburg, Edmonton and Lausanne.

When is AJ Bell World Triathlon Leeds 2019?

AJ Bell World Triathlon Leeds will take place on Sunday 9 June 2019. There will also be a GO TRI event and other family-friendly activities in Roundhay Park and the surrounding area on Saturday 8 June 2019.

Where will AJ Bell World Triathlon Leeds 2019 take place?

The route will take in the areas of Roundhay, Harehills, Chapel Allerton, Hunslet, Moortown, Meanwood, Oakwood, Weetwood, Headingley, Hyde Park, Woodhouse and the city centre. Full details are online at leeds.triathlon.org/local

I'm interested in getting involved in the event. How can I take part?

There are many opportunities for businesses to get involved, including corporate entry packages or holding your own activity to get your business and customers excited about ITU World Triathlon Leeds 2018. If you are interested in receiving updates or would like more details about any of these opportunities, please email leeds@britishtriathlon.org

How can I/my customers access my business?

Full pedestrian access will be available, however access by car will not be possible. Further information on road closure times will be available nearer to the event.

I/my customers park outside on the public road. Will they still be able to do this on the day?

No – please find an alternative location to park, or walk if you can – and advise your customers to do the same. Cars parked on roads on the route may be towed away on the day.

Will there be any bus route diversions/cancellations and alternative arrangements?

Yes, revised bus operations will be publicised ahead of the event on the Metro website: wymetro.com

How can I plan ahead?

- Make sure you, your employees and your customers are aware of road closures
- Make alternative arrangements to park your vehicle off the route
- Allow more time if you are planning on travelling on Sunday 9 June
- If you are able to, walk instead of driving to work on Sunday 9 June, and encourage your employees to do the same
- Make sure deliveries are arranged for days other than Sunday 9 June
- Consider opening earlier or later if your business could benefit from the large numbers of expected spectators
- If you are planning an event, inform customers about road closures and encourage them to arrive early

Where can I find out more information?

- Find out more and see the route in more detail at leeds.triathlon.org/local
- If you still have further questions about how road closures will affect you, please email WorldTriathlonLeeds@leeds.gov.uk
- If you have any immediate concerns you can phone 0113 222 4444.

This information can also be made available in large print, Braille, on audio CD or tape. If you need this information in another language, please telephone 0113 222 4444.