

Chinatown Lunar New Year 2026

Proposal for an event to be held on road

Consultation closes 11:59pm, Monday, 1 December 2025



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Project Information

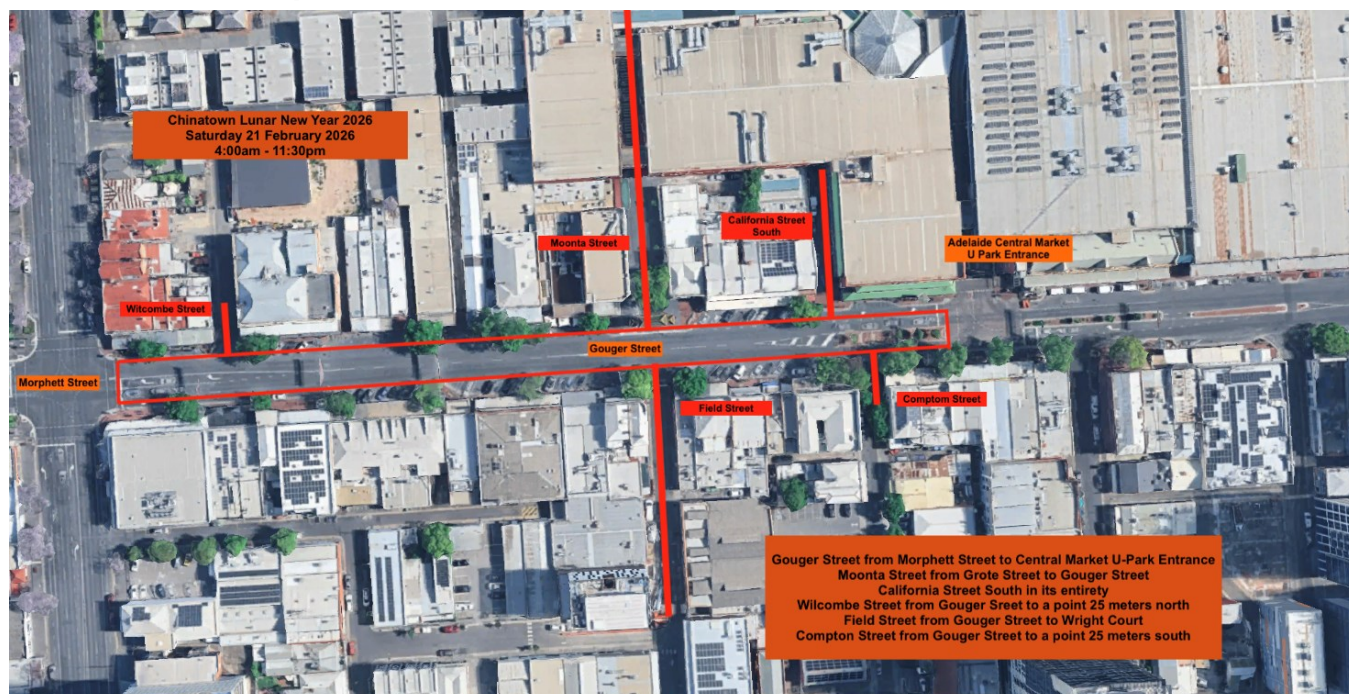
The Chinatown Adelaide Lunar New Year Street Party is an annual community celebration that highlights the rich cultural diversity and traditions of various Asian communities. This vibrant event fosters cultural exchange, strengthens community bonds, and provides an opportunity for South Australians to experience Asian heritage through performances, food, and festive activities. This includes activations and activities which require the closure of roads in the City of Adelaide.

Under the Local Government Act 1999, public consultation is required for events the proposed to alter the purpose of a road, by using a public road for business purposes, and when the road closure would impact traffic to a material degree.

From 4:00am to 11:50pm on Saturday 21 February 2026, proposed road closures include:

- Gouger Street from Central Market U-Park Entrance to Morphett Street.
- Moonta Street from Grote Street to Gouger Street.
- California Street South in its entirety.
- Witcombe Street from Gouger Street to a point 25 meters north.
- Compton Street from Gouger Street to a point 25 metres south.
- Field Street from Gouger Street to Wright Court.

Road Closure Map



Background

In 2026, the 23rd edition of this iconic event will be celebrated in the heart of Chinatown Adelaide. The Street Party transforms the precinct into a bustling hub of entertainment, featuring artists, culinary experts, and cultural exhibitors who bring the spirit of the Lunar New Year to life.

The Chinatown Adelaide SA Inc. (CASA) Red Hot Stage will showcase multicultural performances from 1pm to 9pm, offering a dynamic lineup of musicians, dancers, and cultural acts. The most exciting moments occur from 1pm to 4pm, followed by an official program from 6:00pm to 7:30pm, interwoven with more performances until the evening concludes. In collaboration with the City of Adelaide, Moonta Street and Gouger Street will host 80-100 stalls offering delicious food, unique merchandise, a main stage, an audience marquee, and a dedicated wine section.

Frequently Asked Questions

How will residents, businesses and stakeholders be notified of this event?

All residents and businesses in the surrounding areas of these events will be notified via a letter box drop organised by the event organiser in the lead up to each event. An event hotline telephone number will be included in the letter, should a member of the public wish to lodge any feedback or concerns during the event.

Will residents and businesses be able to access properties during the events road closures?

Whilst the roads mentioned above will be closed to vehicular traffic, pedestrian access will be maintained with the footpaths kept clear to provide access.

Will the closures impact parking?

To facilitate the road closures, it is proposed that all the on-street parking spaces on the closed section of the roads will be changed to 'No Stopping Saturday (Tow Away)' for the duration of the road closures.

Off-street parking is readily available at <https://www.upark.com.au/car-parks/central-market/> and <https://www.upark.com.au/car-parks/andrew/>

How will the proposed event road closures affect the Adelaide Central Market?

The Adelaide Central Market will remain open and trading as normal throughout the event, ensuring visitors can continue to enjoy the Market's vibrant atmosphere and wide range of offerings. The road closure has been designed to ensure access and egress is maintained to the UPark Central Market Carpark via Gouger Street (westbound) and Grote Street at all times.

The Gouger Street closure commences from Morphett Street to a point immediately West of the UPark Central Market entrance/exit.

Clear signage for wayfinding will be installed to promote easy access to the Adelaide Central Market during the event road closure.

Where can I find out more information on the events?

Further information can be found at <https://www.chinatownadelaide.org/>

How do I provide my feedback?

There are a number of ways in which you can provide feedback:

Submission Form (attached to this information pack)

Online at ouradelaide.sa.gov.au

Contribute your feedback via the **Online Survey**

Email your comments to ouradelaide@cityofadelaide.com.au

Written Submissions

All written submissions must be received by 5.00pm on the date advertised and should be addressed to:

Community Consultation
2026 Chinatown Lunar New Year
GPO Box 2252, Adelaide SA 5001

What happens next?

We will acknowledge your feedback either by email or in writing. Feedback will be considered by the Council's Events team and will help inform how we work with the event organiser to deliver the event and minimise any unavoidable impacts on surrounding stakeholders.

For enquires please contact:

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Submission Form

Submissions close 11:59pm, Monday, 1 December 2025.

This form can also be completed online at ouradelaide.sa.gov.au.

For your submission to be considered a formal submission please include your name and residential address. Formal submissions including names and addresses of respondents may on occasions be made public through reports to Council.

First Name:		Last Name:	
Email Address:			
Address:			
Business/Organisation Name (if applicable):			
Gender:	☐ Male ☐ Female ☐ Other Identity	Year of Birth:	
Are you a City of Adelaide Ratepayer?	☐ Yes ☐ No		
Please tell us how you participate in city life (tick all that apply):			
☐ Work	☐ Live	☐ Shop	☐ Business Owner/Operator
☐ Study	☐ Tourist	☐ Play (e.g. leisure, recreation, entertainment, dining)	
Please indicate your main areas of interest (tick all that apply):			
☐ Our Community	☐ Our Economy	☐ Our Environment	☐ Our Places
Please indicate the locations that are of interest to you (tick all that apply):			
☐ East End	☐ North Adelaide	☐ South East	
☐ South West	☐ West End		

OurAdelaide.sa.gov.au is Council's online consultation website. It is your chance to be kept up-to-date and provide feedback on areas of the city that interest you. Would you like to sign up to Our Adelaide to receive the monthly newsletter and be notified of new projects that match your interests?

☐ Yes* ☐ No

**Please provide your email address above*

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Q1. Do you have any suggestions on how the event organiser could minimise impacts from the proposed event?

Q2. We want to make sure events in the Market Precinct are engaging, accessible, and valuable for the community. What changes, improvements, or ideas would you suggest to help us achieve this?

Q3. Do you have any further comments regarding this event?

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