

The tunnel opens on 31st March 2023 at 00:01

The Tunnel will open to all vehicular traffic on 31st March 2023 at 00:01. From this date, it will be the only regular access point for all cars and motorcycles (including commercial vehicles) to the frontier, Gibraltar International Airport, Eroski supermarket, Western Beach and Four Corners.



Vehicular access

• Drivers should follow road signs and adhere to any instructions as may be directed by the RGP / Highways Management Officers at all times.

Going towards the frontier / Gibraltar International Airport / Eroski supermarket

• The main entrance and exit point to the tunnel on the Rock side is the new roundabout at the junction of Devil's Tower Road and Sir Herbert Miles Road.

Entry from the frontier

• On entry to Gibraltar, turn left at the new roundabout and follow road signs past the HM Customs Commercial gate and into the tunnel.

Traffic from Gibraltar International Airport / Eroski supermarket / Four Corners / Western Beach

• Traffic from these areas should also use the new roundabout and follow road signs past the HM Customs Commercial gate and into the tunnel.

Pedestrian / cycling subway

- A separate subway provides a safe way for pedestrians, cyclists, scooter / e-scooter riders and mobility scooter users to travel through the tunnel, via a footbridge accessible from Eastern Beach.
- For clarity, scooter refers to the self-propelled type and an e-scooter to one propelled by electricity.
- For the purpose of this document, mobility scooters fall in the same category as e-scooters.
- Motorcycles are any larger type of vehicle whether they are propelled by petrol or electricity.

Crossing the runway

 Only pedestrians, cyclists, scooter/e-scooter riders and mobility scooter users will be allowed to cross the runway on and after 31st March 2023. All vehicles, including cars, motorcycles, vans and trucks must use the tunnel via Devil's Tower Road and the East Gate roundabout.

What happens if there's a frontier queue on the Gibraltar side

• A queue will not be allowed to accumulate within the tunnel. If vehicular traffic on the frontier / Airport side reaches the exit of the tunnel, the entrance on the Devil's Tower Road side will close temporarily to allow this to clear. This is a safety feature to prevent

stationary traffic inside the tunnel.

- Vehicles will then be batched through the tunnel as the frontier traffic clears.
- Plans are in place to allow for continuous, uninterrupted access to the Air Terminal, Eroski, Four Corners and Western Beach in this scenario.

Speed limit

• The speed limit within the tunnel may vary from 20-50kph according to traffic flow, and will always be clearly signposted.

Other safety features

- The Tunnel Control Room constantly monitors the traffic in the tunnel and the Pedestrian/Cycling Subway. In case of any emergency the Tunnel Control Operators will assume control of the safety support systems in the tunnel and direct and organise tunnel users to safe areas. They will also be responsible for alerting the Emergency Services.
- In case of emergency, the Control Room is able to directly issue instructions to tunnel users via a PA system. This PA system will also take-over any radio frequencies within the tunnel, so that drivers listening to the radio will simultaneously receive the message through their car's own speakers.
- Emergency boxes located at intervals within the tunnel contain an emergency phone, which connects directly to the Tunnel Control Room.

In case of break down or emergency

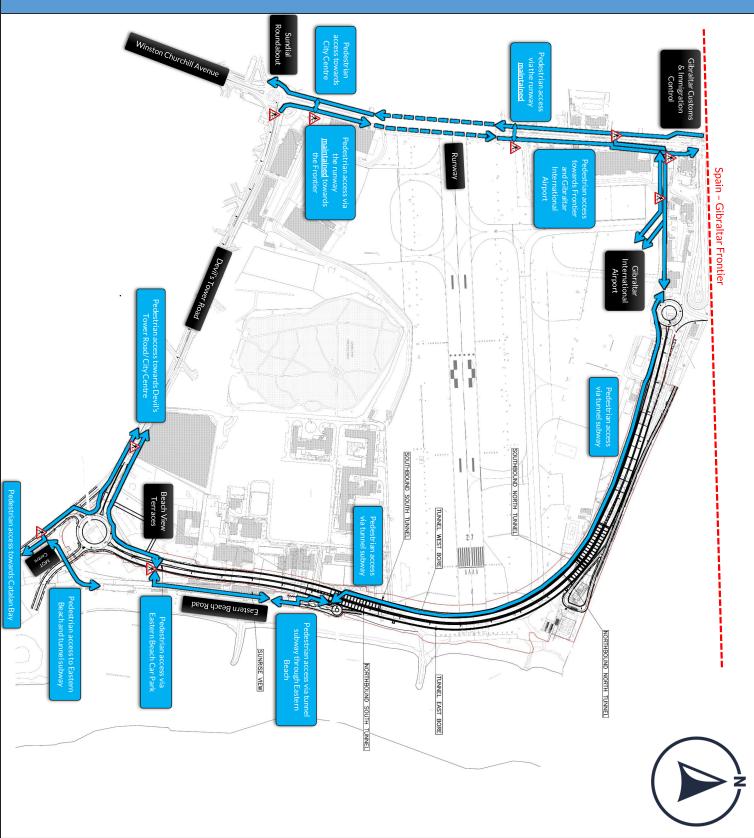
 Cameras monitored by the Tunnel Control Room will automatically detect any vehicle that slows down suddenly or stops within the tunnel. The Tunnel Control Room Operators are highly trained to deal with any incident and will liaise with drivers and the Emergency Services.

In case of fire or accident

- Contingency plans, which have been exercised and rehearsed in detail, are in place to deal with any incident that may occur.
- The Tunnel Control Room Operators will issue instructions to both the vehicular and pedestrian routes, and liaise with emergency services to coordinate the appropriate response.
- In case of fire, the overhead fans will be activated to direct smoke away from the emergency response, creating a safe smoke-free zone for both tunnel users and responders.

Pedestrian Routes 🔨





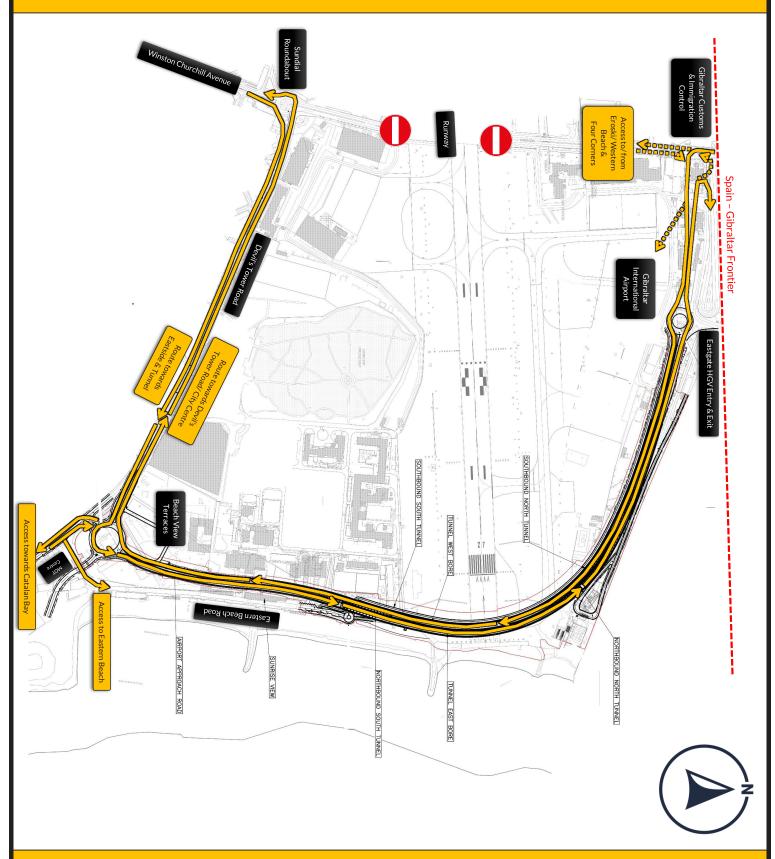


Pedestrian Routes

Private Vehicles







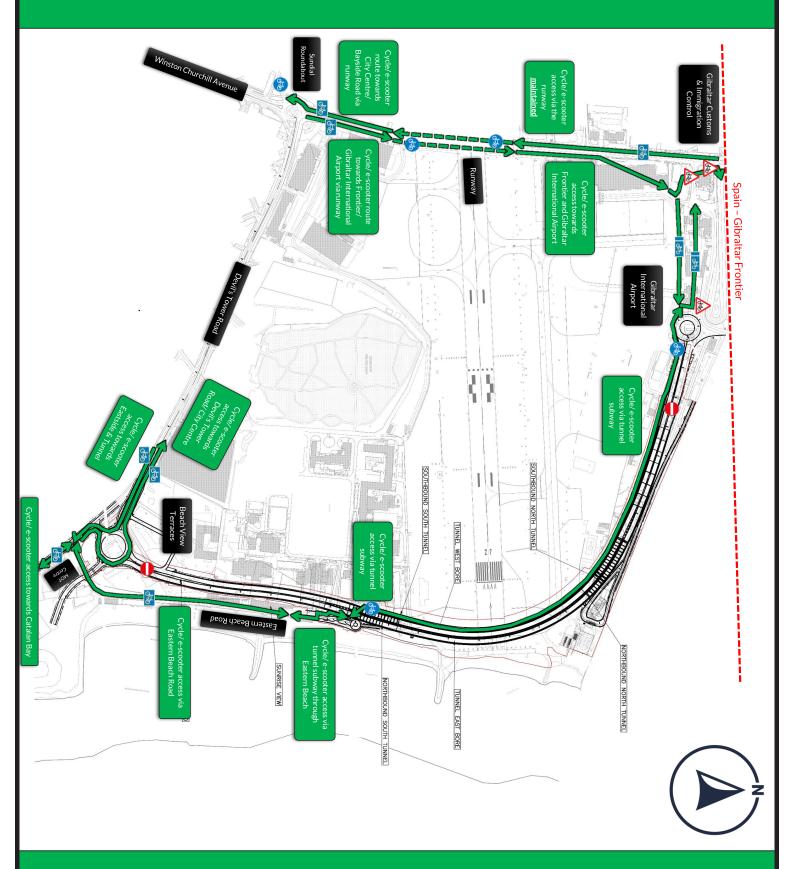




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Cycle/e-Scooter Routes



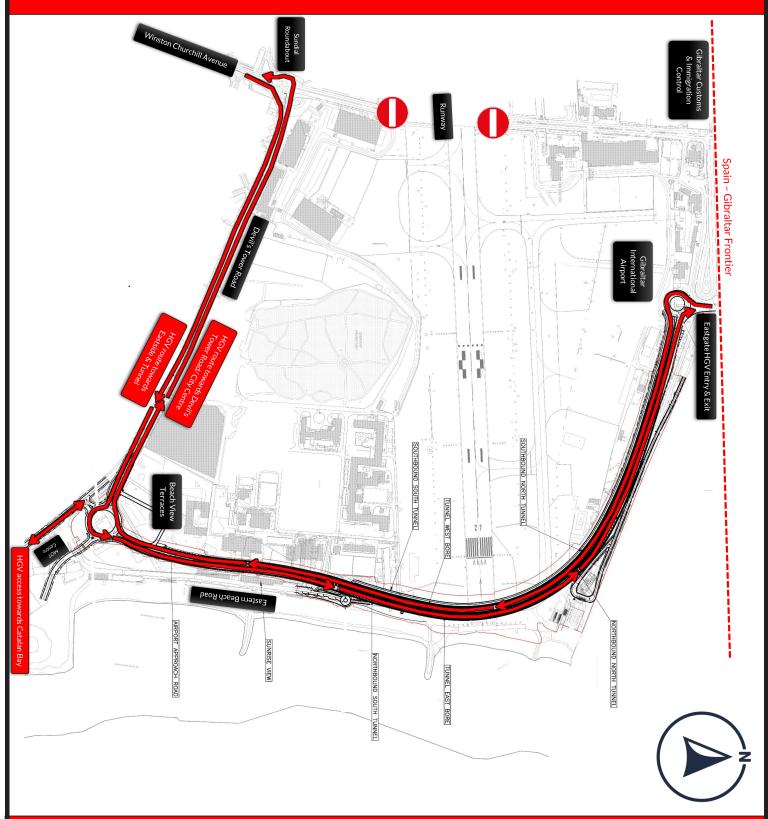




Cycle/ e-Scooter Routes

Heavy Goods Vehicle (HGV) Routes







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