

Chop Chop restaurants get the chop but step forward a delivery service

Popular Chop Chop have confirmed they are not re-opening their restaurant but will now concentrate on delivering throughout the Central Belt.

Bosses confirmed that they are unable to see a path to reopening their multi award-winning restaurant as the small space would make it difficult to operate at a viable level with the required social distancing.

They are also concerned at trading through what they expect will be an extended difficult period ahead.

In an email to clients they said: "Chop Chop will not reopen. We have had so many good times and so much wonderful support from our members for the past 14 years.

"We'd like to thank you all very sincerely. It has been an exciting ride and thanks to all your votes, we can celebrate a glittering array of awards including Britain's Favourite Chinese Restaurant (twice), finalist in the Scottish Restaurant Awards multiple times, finalist on Gordon Ramsay's "F-Word" TV show and one of the few Chinese restaurants in the U.K. to hold an AA Rosette. We held this for many years.

"Given the popularity of our unique cuisine, we will continue to make many of our most popular dishes available online."

The statement added that the delivery service started during lock down and was successful. The service offered a wide range of Chop Chop's dishes frozen with easy cooking instructions.

They now intend to expand the range and the goal is to allow clients to recreate the Chop Chop experience at home.

The email concluded: "We will deliver throughout the Central Belt at a fraction of restaurant prices. A full meal for four (plenty of dumplings, wings, ribs, noodles and sauces) will cost you less than £25.

"And, if your favourite dish is not on offer, please email and we will supply the ingredients and how to cook them."