

Sha Tin District Council

Report on the Enlarged Meeting of Traffic and Transport Committee  
held on 26 February 2008

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- (1) Members discussed the proposal of Environment Protection Department on the legislative control on idling vehicles with running engine and passed the following motion with a vote of 29 in favour, 1 against and 1 abstention:

“The Traffic and Transport Committee of Sha Tin District Council (STDC) supports in principle the proposal of Environment Bureau on legislating the banning of idling vehicles with running engine in Hong Kong. However, the Administration should continue to consult the relevant sectors, District Councils and the public on issues like exemption provision and implementation details of the proposal.”

- (2) Members endorsed the formation of two standing working groups and elected the conveners of the working groups:

<u>Working Group</u>	<u>Convenor</u>
Working Group on Road Safety	Mr. CHENG Cho-kwong
Working Group on Traffic and Transport Study	Mr. YEUNG Man-yui

- (3) Members noted the nomination list of co-opted members:

Mr. CHAN Ki-hing	Mr. HO Sau-mo
Mr. CHAN Wing-sun	Mr. LAM Hong-lun
Mr. CHENG Kai-cheung	Mr. MA Hang-kin
Mr. CHEUNG Tak-min	Mr. TONG Hok-leung

The nomination list of co-opted members would be circulated for members' endorsement after the meeting.

(Post-meeting notes: the nomination list of co-opted members has been endorsed by circulation.)

- (4) Members endorsed the 2008-2009 funding estimates of the following two working groups:

<u>Working Group</u>	<u>Reserved Funding</u>
Working Group on Road Safety	\$110,000
Working Group on Traffic and Transport Study	\$130,000

- (5) Members discussed the 2008 Annual Plan of the Transport Department (TD).
- (6) Members discussed the proposal of the Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) on the construction of flyover at Che Kung Mui Road and Hung Mui Kuk Road and endorsed to conduct an overall study in solving the traffic congestion at Che Kung Mui Road with a vote of 17 in favour, 2 against and 5 abstentions.
- (7) Members discussed the proposal of CEDD on the temporary traffic management measures for T3 Road and Associated Road Works.
- (8) Members discussed the arrangement of CEDD on the completion time of improvement works and banning of right-turning at Tai Po Road (Sha Tin Heights Section).
- (9) Members discussed the proposal of CEDD on the construction of cover for the walkway connecting MTR Tai Wai Station, Grandway Garden and Footbridge C.
- (10) Members discussed the motion on fare concession of Mass Transit Railway (MTR) and passed the following motion unanimously:

“The Traffic and Transport Committee of STDC strongly urges MTR Corporation to offer half-price fare to students for all MTR routes and introduce monthly ticket and concession for physically disabled person.”

- (11) Members discussed the motion on the opening of new bus route for Ma On Shan and passed the following motion with a vote of 19 in favour and 2 against:

“The Traffic and Transport Committee of STDC strongly urges TD to open a new route starting from Wu Kai Sha Transport Interchange in Ma On Shan then via Sai Sha Road left turn to Ma On Shan Road, heading the roundabout to Heng Hong

Street, then going to Sai Sha Road via Chung On and Kam Tai Court and heading Sha Tin Route 8, then via West Kowloon Highway and Lai Wan Transport Interchange to West Harbour Tunnel by Nga Cheung Road feeder road, then going to Sai Wan, Sheung Wan Hong Kong Macau Ferry Pier and terminating at Central pier.”

- (12) Members noted the replies of TD and Kowloon Motor Bus (1933) Company Limited to the question regarding the opening of bus route from Sha Tin to Tseung Kwan O and passed the following motion unanimously:

“In recent years, Sha Tin and Tseung Kwan O develop rapidly with a total of approximately 1 million residents, resulting in the increase in travel between the two districts. At present, there is no direct bus route to Tseung Kwan O from Sha Tin District or even New Territories East. Such arrangement is indeed unreasonable. The Traffic and Transport Committee of STDC strongly urges the opening of bus routes from Sha Tin to Tseung Kwan O and from Ma On Shan to Tseung Kwan O.”

- (13) Members noted the replies of TD and Long Win Bus Company Limited to the question regarding the extension of A41 air bus service to Kwong Yuen and passed the following motion with a vote of 18 in favour and 1 abstention:

“The Traffic and Transport Committee of STDC strongly urges the extension of A41 air bus service to Kwong Hong Area in order to serve about 40,000 residents in Kwong Yuen Estate, Kwong Lam Court, Hong Lam Court, Castello and nearby Villages.”

- (14) Members noted the replies of TD and Long Win Bus Company Limited to the question regarding the air bus service of Wo Che Estate and proposed altering route E41 to go through Yuen Wo Road while passing through Sha Tin in order to solve the problem of Wo Che Estate and Lek Yuen Estate residents in riding air bus.

- (15) Members noted the progress reports submitted by TD.

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