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Sha Tin District Council

Report on the Meeting of Traffic and Transport Committee  
held on 4 January 2011

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(1) Members discussed:

- (i) the paper on the review of footbridges and subways with low utilisation in Sha Tin submitted by Transport Department (TD) and requested TD to provide detailed information to the Committee in due course;
- (ii) the Annual Plan 2011 submitted by TD; and
- (iii) the paper on improvement measures for bicycle parking facilities at Tsuen Nam Road, Tai Wai submitted by TD. The Committee expressed reservation towards the proposal and had not endorsed the proposal (with a vote of 23 against and 1 abstention).

(2) Members endorsed:

- (i) the Draft Report and Executive Summary of the Study on Ma On Shan Whitehead Headland Development submitted by the Working Group on Ma On Shan Mine and Whitehead Headland Development Study (Ad-hoc) and Working Group on Traffic and Transport Study and passed the following provisional motion:

“The Traffic and Transport Committee of Sha Tin District Council strongly requests the government to properly utilize the resources by making full use of the Ma On Shan Whitehead Headland to set up a professional cycling training venue in facilitating the development of local cycling sports and to establish a bicycle safety town to enhance the safety awareness of the general public in using bicycle.”;

- (ii) the motion on the provision of designated seats at the waiting area of bus termini:

“The Sha Tin District Council strongly requests TD to provide designated seats for the elderly, pregnant women, disabled persons, mobility handicapped and people

in need at the waiting area of each bus route in the bus termini and conduct a feasibility study on the provision of seats at all bus stations.” (with a vote of 30 in favour and 1 abstention);

- (iii) the motion on requesting the Government to conduct a comprehensive review on the safety of cycling tracks and provision of cycling training venue:

“The Traffic and Transport Committee of Sha Tin District Council urges TD to immediately install a reducing speed sign before the bend of the cycling subway at Yiu On Estate where the accident occurred, improve the wide-angled mirror outside the subway, resurface the cycling track and install a plastic divider pole to prevent the occurrence of head-on collision. Besides, the Committee urges TD to review the design and safety measures of the existing cycling tracks, resurface cycling tracks and provide a speed reducing zone and sign at downward slopes and in front of bends for the safety of cyclists and pedestrians. In the long run, the Government should set up a large cycling training venue as soon as possible to provide learning and training courses and educate the general public of the proper use of bicycle with a view to reducing bicycle accident.” (with a unanimous vote of 29 in favour); and

- (iv) the updated member list of the Working Group on Road Safety.

(3) Members noted:

- (i) the replies of TD, Electrical and Mechanical Services Department and Mass Transit Railway Corporation (MTRC) to the question on the MTR Incident on 21 October;
- (ii) the replies of TD and Kowloon Motor Bus (1933) Company Limited (KMB) to the question on the Bus Route No. 286M;
- (iii) the replies of TD, Housing Department (HD) and the Link Management Company Limited (the Link) to the question on motorcycle parking spaces and passed the following provisional motion:

“The Traffic and Transport Committee of Sha Tin District Council requests TD, HD and the Link to review the situation of insufficient motorcycle parking spaces within the district and conduct a study on increasing motorcycle parking spaces in accordance with the actual need of the district and requests Lands Department and

other government departments to work in coordination to satisfy the need of motorcyclists.” (with a unanimous vote of 25 in favour);

(iv) the replies of TD and KMB to the question on bus services in Kwong Hong area;

(v) the progress report submitted by TD; and

(vi) the minutes of meeting of the Working Group on Traffic and Transport Study and Working Group on Road Safety.

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