Islands District Council Traffic and Transport Committee (TTC)

Report of the TTC Meeting held on 17 November 2014

Improvements to Existing Cycle Tracks and Cycle Parking Facilities in New Towns and Review of Existing Bicycle Prohibition Zones-Feasibility Study

Members noted the contents of the paper, and requested the early implementation of the various improvement measures by the Transport Department. Members also requested the extension of Bicycle Prohibition Zone to accident-prone road sections, and to include the issue of unconnected cycle tracks into the study. Members also requested the Department to review and restrict the number of cycling competitions held at Cheung Tung Road.

Project No. 7417RO-1A Improvement Works at Tai O- Phase 2 Stage 1

2. Members gave some opinions on the project design, including extending the entrance plaza and increasing the number of private vehicle parking spaces. The Civil Engineering and Development Department and the Consultant were requested to amend the works programme.

Question on ferry facilities and monthly tickets

3. New World First Ferry Services Limited said that targets of priority seats would be extended to pregnant women, the elderly and the mobility-impaired within the current year. Consideration would be made to add pads onto the metal railings in front of the first row of seats beside the gangway of fast ferries. The Company also proposed that introduction of new ticket type should be set out in the next licensed ferry service's tender exercise for operators to consider.

Question on service of bus route S1

4. Citybus Limited (Citybus) said that S1 frequencies would be increased in response to the needs of passengers. Citybus and Long Win Bus both said that apart from using the public announcement system on the

vehicles, drivers would also directly request standing passengers to move towards the rear part of the compartment.

Question on a traffic accident at Yat Tung Bus Terminus

5. New Lantao bus Company Limited (New Lantao Bus) proposed that buses be permitted to alight and board passengers in front of the gate of Yat Tung Estate Carpark to stave off the danger posed by passengers making crossings inside the terminus. Members requested the Transport Department to follow up on the proposal.

Question on New Lantao Bus using octopus car reader during morning peak hours

6. New Lantao Bus said that it would follow up on the proposal of using octopus card reader during morning peak hours at No.38 bus stop.

Reports by T&TC Activity Working Group

7. The Committee noted that the Working Group was conducting tender for production of publicity materials.

Any Other Business

8. Members noted the minor traffic improvements works to be conducted by the Highways Department in Islands District before mid-November 2014 and their schedules. The Department was asked to implement the works as soon as possible.

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