Islands District Council Traffic and Transport Committee (TTC)

Report of TTC Meeting held on 29 September 2015

Proposal to provide an Additional Bus Stop for New Lantau Bus Route 37H

1. Members gave their opinions regarding the proposal to provide an additional bus stop for New Lantao bus route 37H.

Question on ferry service between Cheung Chau and Aberdeen

2. Members requested the ferry company to provide further details about ferry service operation between Cheung Chau and Aberdeen, such as passenger traffic. The Transport Department (TD) would follow up the matter with the ferry company.

Question on sailing arrangements of New World First Ferry during the onslaught of Typhoon Linfa

3. Members enquired about the sailing arrangements of the ferry company during the onslaught of Typhoon Linfa and requested further details from the ferry company. Members urged the TD to follow up the matter with the ferry company.

Question on overnight bus services between airport and Tung Chung town centre

4. Members requested to increase the frequencies of bus route no. N64 after 2am to cope with the transport demand of airport staff.

Question on the progress of provision of lift facilities at Shun Tung Road, Tung Chung

5. Members noted the contents of the written reply from the Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD)

Question on construction of light rail viaduct system in Tung Chung

6. Members requested the CEDD to consider constructing the light rail viaduct system to cater for the future development and traffic demand of Tung Chung. Members also gave proposals, including provision of more parking spaces, etc., to improve traffic condition in Tung Chung.

Question on parking spaces in Mui Wo old town

7. Members reflected to the TD that there is acute shortage of parking spaces in Mui Wo old town. Members put forward proposals, such as the construction of multi-storey car park, to alleviate the problem.

Question on traffic arrangements in Tung Chung during the Spring and Autumn Ancestral Worship Ceremonies

8. Members gave proposals, including issuance of permanent closed road permit for indigenous people, construction of a roundabout near the hillside of Tung Chung Area 18 Cemetery, etc., to improve traffic arrangements in Tung Chung during the Spring and Autumn Ancestral Worship Ceremonies.

Question on dangerous dead trees along both sides of the roads in South Lantau

9. The Highways Department (HyD) and the Lands Department (LandsD) would follow up on the removal of the dangerous dead trees along both sides of the roads in South Lantau. Members requested the two departments to strengthen their regular monitoring and inspection of trees along the roads.

Question on request to improve the services of bus route S64

10. Long Win Bus Company Limited (Long Win Bus) would conduct review on the service of bus route S64 and introduce improvement measures to meet the demand of residents as and when necessary.

Question on request for increasing bus service between Yat Tung Estate and AsiaWorld-Expo

11. Members requested that the bus service between Yat Tung Estate and Asia World-Expo be enhanced to cope with the transport demand of AsiaWorld-Expo staff. The TD would follow up on the matter with Long Wing Bus and AsiaWorld-Expo.

Question on concessionary fare of \$2 per trip

12. TD would relate members' opinions to the Labour and Welfare Bureau.

Motion against the opening of roads at South Lantau

13. The amended motion proposed by Mr WONG Man-hon and seconded by Mr CHAN Lin-wai was passed by members.

Question on bus route S56

14. Members requested Citybus Limited (Citybus) to follow up on their suggestion to increase the frequencies of bus route S56.

Question on citybus route E11A

15. Citybus said that they would closely monitor the demand of passengers and increase the frequencies of bus route E11A as and when necessary.

Question on illegal parking of vehicles outside MTR Tung Chung Station

16. The Hong Kong Police Force said they would step up enforcement to tackle illegal parking problem. The HyD would follow up on members' views and review the pick up/drop off point for its staff.

Question on a traffic accident occurred at Cheung Tung Road

17. Members expressed the need to adopt measures, such as road widening, lowering speed limit, etc., to enhance road safety at Cheung Tung Road and requested the TD to follow up on the issue.

Question on handling of unforeseen accidents by Discovery Bay Transit Services Limited

18. The TD said that the "Condition for Operating Residents' Service" provided that residents' bus operator could temporarily divert the route in case of unforeseen circumstances like traffic accident and the third party risk insurance would remain valid under the circumstances. Members put forward proposals, including increase the frequencies bus route DB01R, wider use of mobile apps to disseminate information, etc., to help passengers better plan their bus journeys in the event of unforeseen accidents.

Report by TTC Working Group

19. At the meeting on June 11 this year, the Working Group requested the Transport and Housing Bureau and the TD to incorporate in the year-end review of public transport services the views that the Island District Council members had expressed over the years on ferry services.

Any Other Business

20. Members noted the contents of the minor traffic improvement projects and works schedule for Islands District as at mid-September 2015 submitted by the HyD. They enquired about the progress of various projects and urged the Department to implement them expeditiously.

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