Islands District Council Traffic and Transport Committee (TTC)

Report of the TTC Meeting held on 20 January 2014

<u>Tuen Mun – Chek Lap Kok Link – Southern Connection Viaduct Section</u> (<u>Contract No. HY/2012/07</u>) <u>Temporary Traffic Arrangements for Pier</u> Construction Works

Members noted the proposed temporary traffic arrangements to be implemented at North Lantau Highway and Cheung Tung Road to tie in with the above pier construction works. Members also gave some proposals to ensure the safety of drivers and cyclists.

<u>Universal Accessibility Programme – Provision of Lifts at Two Footbridges and One Subway in Islands District</u>

2. Members noted the most recent progress of the above project and requested the earliest possible implementation of works.

Question on road safety of Chung Yan Road near North Lantau Hospital

3. The Transport Department said that it would set up a small scale roundabout at the crossroads of North Lantau Hospital and also a "slow-down" traffic sign at the pedestrian crossing nearby. However, it did not plan to set up a zebra-crossing there. Members urged the Department to review the relevant traffic arrangements in order to achieve a balance between safety of road users and efficiency.

Question on provision of dedicated LPG filling station on Lantau Island or at the Airport

4. Members reflected to the Environmental Protection Department that the prices of Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) at the petrol station(s) of Lantau Island rose sharply by more than twenty percents in early December 2013. The Government was asked to set up dedicated LPG filling stations on Lantau Island to alleviate the burden of Lantau taxi drivers.

Question on provision of bus regulator kiosk at Yat Tung Estate bus terminus

5. New Lantao Bus Company said that temporary improvement measures had been adopted, and discussions would be conducted with the Transport Department and the Housing Department as soon as possible to set up a bus regulator kiosk at Yat Tung Estate bus terminus.

<u>Question on sudden termination of "Discovery Bay – Mui Wo" ferry service</u> <u>Question on ferry service from Mui Wo to Discovery Bay</u>

6. The Transport Department said that it had approved the application of the license extension of the "Discovery Bay – Mui Wo" ferry service to 9 February 2016. There would be minor adjustment of the ferry timetable in the new license period. The Marine Department said that it was consulting the industry on deployment of crew members, and the relevant proposals had yet been implemented and that existing policies would remain unchanged until the latter part of November of 2014.

Reports by Working Groups

7. Members noted the progress in the making of publication materials and that "Road Safety Day" had been held.

Any Other Business

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

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