Islands District Council Traffic and Transport Committee (TTC)

Report of the TTC Meeting held on 20 May 2013

Question on insufficient parking spaces in South Lantau

Members reflected to the Transport Department the problem of insufficient parking spaces in South Lantau, Mui Wo and Tai O, and requested the Department to conduct a field visit with members to discuss how to increase parking spaces.

Question on a ferry accident

2. Members requested the Marine Department to publicize the investigation reports of various marine accidents, so that the industry would learn of the causes and prevent their recurrence. Members also requested the Marine Department to provide information about the establishment of a fund to assist victims of marine accidents after the meeting.

Question on cycling on the roads of Lantau Island

3. Members reflected to the Transport Department and Hong Kong Police Force that holiday-makers liked to cycle on the roads of Lantau Island and Tung Chung on holidays. Cycling alongside vehicles would be accidentprone. Members requested the Transport Department to study ways to enhance roads and cycling tracks on Lantau Island and in Tung Chung to prevent accidents. Police was asked to step up patrol and enforcement.

Question on raising the height of kerb on Cheung Chau Sai Tai Road

4. The Transport Department said that it would prepare the drawings of the proposed project and consult the residents the earliest possible. The Highways Department said that it would tie in with the project works if residents did not oppose to the proposal.

Question on extension of Tung Chung Road Restricted Area beyond Cemetery No. 18

5. Members hoped that the Transport Department would consider extending the Tung Chung Road Restricted Area beyond Cemetery No. 18 to make it convenient for residents going to the cemetery. The Transport Department said that it would take into consideration the proposal and would shortly discuss with the Police on implementing special traffic arrangements during the period of spring and autumn ancestral worships.

Question on addition of bus route between Tung Chung and Shek Pik

6. Members requested the New Lantao Bus Company to consider establishing a bus route between Tung Chung and Shek Pik in the long term, and to increase frequency of existing bus services in the short run, so as to ease passenger-flow. The Company agreed to increase frequency first and to take into consideration of establishing a bus route after that.

Question on addition of taxi stands in Tung Chung North

7. Members requested the establishment of taxi stands in Tung Chung North so as cater for future growth in population. The Transport Department said that it was considering the establishment of taxi stands and bus stops in Areas 55B and 56 of Tung Chung North.

Report by Working Group

8. Members noted that the Working Group would convene meetings in due course to discuss the work plan of the current year.

Any Other Business

9. Members noted the minor traffic improvements works to be conducted by Highways Department in Islands District before mid-May 2013 and their schedule.

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