

Islands District Council
Traffic and Transport Committee (TTC)

Report of the TTC Meeting held on 22 July 2013

Relocation of Tung Chung Town Centre Bus Terminus during Construction

On the relocation of (Open Air)Tung Chung Town Centre Terminus and the relevant temporary traffic arrangements, the Committee supported the proposal of Option 2. The Transport Department, the developer and the consultant were asked to continue the discussion of arrangements in detail with various stakeholders, so as to enhance road safety and minimize impacts of the relocation on passengers.

Question on road safety of Yat Tung Street and Chung Yan Road

2. The Transport Department and the Hong Kong Police Force (HKPF) said that they would step up publicity and education in various languages to remind residents in the area to make good use of proper road-crossing facilities provided.

Question on ferry schedule of First Ferry

3. The First Ferry gave a detailed account of the incident of 25 June, in which a ferry had to return to Cheung Chau because a passenger suddenly fell ill. The company said that it would improve broadcast at piers and skills of staff in handling emergencies.

Question on road safety of Keung Shan Road and Tung Chung Road

4. The Transport Department was asked to widen various bends along Keung Shan Road, and to improve the surface of Tung Chung Road to avoid vehicles from skidding.

Question on traffic arrangements after opening of North Lantau Hospital

5. The Transport Department, the Fire Services Department (FSD) and the Hospital Authority explained in detail traffic arrangements to be carried out after the opening of North Lantau Hospital. Various government departments and organizations concerned were asked to co-ordinate their efforts to provide suitable transportation services for patients, and pro-actively consider the proposal of introducing mini-bus services for Tung Chung and the Hospital.

Question on landing of private helicopter on Cheung Chau

6. The Civil Aviation Department was asked to follow up on the incident of a helicopter landing at Cheung Chau Sai Tai Road, so as to ensure the safety of residents and tourists.

Question on widening of pavement from Yat Tung Street to Tung Chung Road (beside Yat Tung Estate)

7. On the proposal to widen the pavement from Yat Tung Street to Tung Chung Road, preliminary studies were being conducted and follow-up actions would be taken by the Transport Department and the District Lands Office, Islands.

Question on ambulance service of Islands District in major accidents

8. The FSD gave a detail account of the ambulance services in Tung Chung, and an account of ambulance services in a traffic accident at North Lantau Road on 1 July of the current year. With the rise in population and the completion of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge, the FSD would review on resources of ambulance services in the Tung Chung area.

Question on a fatal traffic accident on North Lantau Road

9. The HKPF reported the initial investigation results of a traffic accident at North Lantau Road which occurred on 1 July of the current year. The Citybus said that the design of its buses and the facilities in the compartments completely met the requirements and safety standards laid down by the Transport Department, and that all its buses were equipped with the Satellite-based Vehicle Positioning System. Members hoped that the Transport Department and the HKPF would step up publicity and education, and remind passengers to wear safety belts. They also advised the two departments to consider limiting the number of vehicles using Cheung Tung Road to facilitate rescue work.

Report by T&TC Activity Working Group

10. Members noted that the programme of promotion of traffic safety activities to be conducted by the Working Group in the current year.

Any Other Business

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

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