

**Summary of Discussion of the 5th Meeting of the
Traffic & Transport Committee (2014) of
Kwai Tsing District Council**

Date : 16 October 2014
Time : 2:45 pm - 4:38 pm
Venue : K&TDO Conference Room

<u>Attendee</u>	<u>Time of Arrival</u>	<u>Time of Departure</u>
Ms POON Siu-ping, Nancy, MH (Chairman)	Start of meeting	End of meeting
Mr HO Siu-ping (Vice-chairman)	Start of meeting	End of meeting
Mr CHAN Siu-man, Simon	Start of meeting	4:03pm
Ms CHEUNG Wai-ching, Clarice	Start of meeting	End of meeting
Mr CHOW Wai-hung, Rayman	3:41pm	End of meeting
Miss CHU Lai-ling	Start of meeting	End of meeting
Mr HUI Kei-cheung	Start of meeting	End of meeting
Ms LAM Chui-ling, Nancy, MH	Start of meeting	4:15pm
Mr LAM Lap-chi	Start of meeting	End of meeting
Mr LAM Siu-fai	2:51pm	End of meeting
Miss LAU Mei-lo	Start of meeting	End of meeting
Mr LAW King-shing, MH	Start of meeting	4:06pm
Mr LEE Chi-keung, Alan, MH	Start of meeting	3:44pm
Mr LEUNG Chi-shing	2:54pm	End of meeting
Mr LEUNG Kwok-wah	Start of meeting	End of meeting
Mr LEUNG Tsz-wing, Dennis	4:08pm	End of meeting
Mr LEUNG Wai-man, MH	3:00pm	3:57pm
Ms LO Wai-lan	2:48pm	End of meeting
Mr NG Kim-sing	Start of meeting	End of meeting
Mr POON Chi-shing	Start of meeting	End of meeting
Ms TAM Wai-chun, MH	Start of meeting	4:13pm
Miss TSANG Tze-kwan, Marina	3:00pm	4:35pm
Mr TSUI Hiu-kit	Start of meeting	4:32pm
Mr TSUI Sang-hung, Sammy	2:51pm	End of meeting
Mr WONG Bing-kuen	Start of meeting	End of meeting
Mr WONG Yiu-chung, MH	Start of meeting	End of meeting
Mr WONG Yun-tat	Start of meeting	End of meeting
Mr CHAN Tik-yiu	3:00pm	4:27pm
Mr CHUM Yau-chung	Start of meeting	4:22pm
Mr LAI King-wai	2:54pm	4:32pm

Ms LEUNG Ching-Shan	3:48pm	End of meeting
Mr LEUNG Chung-shum	Start of meeting	End of meeting
Mr NG Ka-chiu	Start of meeting	4:32pm
Mr WONG Chiu-wah	Start of meeting	4:33pm

In Attendance

Mr WU Tin-yau, Gordon	Assistant District Officer (Kwai Tsing), Kwai Tsing District Office
Mr WONG Chi-kwong	Officer-in-Charge, District Traffic Team, Kwai Tsing Police District, Hong Kong Police Force
Mr LI Chun-wah	Engineer (Kwai Chung), Transport Department
Ms CHEUNG King-sze, Cici	Engineer (Tsing Yi), Transport Department
Mr LEUNG Cho-ming	District Engineer/Kwai Tsing, Highways Department
Mr CHEUNG Chi-wei, Peter	Engineer (New Territories West), Civil Engineering and Development Department
Miss LAI Suet-yan, Janice	Senior Transport Officer (Kwai Tsing), Transport Department
Miss PO Pui-man, Karen	Senior Transport Officer /Bus/Hong Kong, Transport Department
Mr Andrew KWAN	Senior Manager(Lai Chi Kok Depots) , The Kowloon Motor Bus Co. (1933) Ltd
Mr Danny SO	Principal Operations Officer(Lai Chi Kok Depots) , The Kowloon Motor Bus Co. (1933) Ltd
Ms Peggy WONG	Assistant Manager, Planning & Development, The Kowloon Motor Bus Co. (1933) Ltd
Mr Utan WONG	Senior Operations Officer, The Kowloon Motor Bus Co. (1933) Ltd
Mr Frankie WONG	Manager, Community Affairs, The Kowloon Motor Bus Co. (1933) Ltd
Mr. LAM Chi Fai	Administrative Assistant/Lands (Atg.), District Lands Office, Tsuen Wan and Kwai Tsing)
Mr WONG Kam-wing	Engineer 1/Universal Accessibility, Highways Department
Mr SOH Fai-tat	Engineering Manager, Parsons Brinckerhoff (Asia) Ltd
Miss HUNG Tsz-bun, Annie (Secretary)	Executive Officer (District Council) 1, Kwai Tsing District Office
Miss CHAN Hau-sin, Priscilla	Executive Officer (District Council) 1 (designate), Kwai Tsing District Office

Absent with Apologies

Mr LEUNG Kam-wai	(with prior notice)
Mr TANG Shui-wah	(with prior notice)
Mr WAN Siu-kin, Andrew	(with prior notice)
Ms LAM Ka-ka	(with prior notice)
Mr TSE Hoi-kin	(with prior notice)
Mr CHOW Yick-hay, BBS, JP	(without prior notice)
The Hon. MAK Mei-kuen, Alice, JP	(without prior notice)
Mr CHU Chik-ping	(without prior notice)
Mr LAU Wing-fai	(without prior notice)
Mr LEUNG Wing-kuen	(without prior notice)

Confirmation of minutes of the 4th meeting of the Traffic and Transport Committee (2014) held on 2 September 2014

The minutes were confirmed unanimously without amendments.

Introduction of/Consultation Paper

Construction of “Universally Accessible” facilities on a footbridge and in a pedestrian subway in Kwai Tsing District

(Proposed by the Highways Department)

(TTC Paper No. 37/2014)

2. Representative of Highways Department (HyD) introduced the design of constructing an elevator on the footbridge across Kwai Chung Road near Kwai Fong Estate (Structure No. NF1) and the design of constructing three elevators in the pedestrian subway across Kwai Chung Road near Princess Margaret Hospital (Structure No. NS1 and NS1A)

3. Members’ opinions and enquiries were as follows:

- (i) A Member enquired about the progress of consultation with other departments with regard to the impact on local traffic. Two Members hoped the impacts could be minimized.
- (ii) HyD should regularly report on the progress of the project.
- (iii) A Member asked if HyD had communicated with relevant departments before submitting the design.

4. Representative of HyD replied as follows:

- (i) The Transport Department (TD) agreed with the project arrangements and HyD would continue to communicate with other departments.
- (ii) The project would take about 24 months. HyD would maintain close communication with Members during the period.

5. Members supported the proposed and the corresponding design unanimously.

Bus Route Development Programme 2014-15 of Kwai Tsing District (Revised Proposals)

(Proposed by the Transport Department)
(TTC Paper No. 38/2014)

6. Representative of TD introduced the paper.
7. Members' opinions and enquiries were as follows:
 - (i) For Route No. 33A, one single-decked bus should be used instead. A Member asked how lost trip could be improved.
 - (ii) A Member hoped that Route No. 45 and 46 buses could depart in accordance with the schedule after their frequencies were revised to 20-30 minutes a headway. Frequencies of Route Nos. 45 and 46 should be increased. Section fares should be implemented in Route No. 45.
 - (iii) Regarding Route No. 41 and 42, a Member said the reduction of buses would worsen the situation of lost trips. A Member suggested changing Route No. 41 to express route and maintaining existing frequency during peak hours, and Route 42 should continue to route through Cheung Ching Estate Community Centre. A Member opposed to the reduction of Route No. 42 frequency. A Member suggested setting up interchange concessions for Route 42 with Route Nos. 43A, 243M and 249M.
 - (iv) Two Members objected to the suspension of the route diversion proposal for Route No. 31. A Member asked about the figures on residents in Shek Yam Estate and On Yam Estate affected by the proposal, and he pointed out that Route No. 235 could substitute Route No. 31 for going to and from On Yam Estate and Tsuen Wan and Green minibuses (GMBs) Route No. 86 and 86M should reserve seats for passengers on Wo Yi Hop Road during peak hours. A Member had reservation about route diversion of Route No. 31.
 - (v) Fixed departure time at en-route stops should be provided and information on non-peak hour frequencies should be given.
 - (vi) A Member opposed to route diversion of Route Nos. 44 and 41A.
 - (vii) A Member asked how bus reduced in Kwai Tsing would be deployed.
 - (viii) A Member asked if the paper would be revised and submitted to the District Council for discussion.
 - (ix) A Member opposed to the suspension of the diversion proposal.
 - (x) Route No. 31P should be added during peaks hours.
 - (xi) A Member asked if the arrangement of providing two additional single-decked

buses in Route No. 35A be affected by the proposal of Route No. 33A, and hoped the resources saved could be re-deployed to support the service of Route No. 31P.

8. Representative of TD replied as follows:

- (i) Regarding Route No. 41, increasing journey time and reducing frequencies could provide more stable service.
- (ii) Regarding Route No. 42, the extension of terminus to Cheung Hong Estate could increase passenger load, and yet maintained bus service from Tsing Yi to Princess Margaret Hospital.
- (iii) Regarding Route No. 33A, single-decked bus would not be deployed during peak hours as far as possible.
- (iv) Regarding Route Nos. 45 and 46, fixed schedules could ease the lost trip problem. TD would discuss with KMB on increasing frequencies during morning peak hours.
- (v) Regarding Route No. 31, , TD suggested temporarily suspending the proposal. Statistics on number of people affected in Shek Yam and On Yam would be submitted after the meeting.
- (vi) TD would discuss with green minibus operators on the arrangement to reserve seats for Wo Yi Hop Road passengers, as well as the problem of minibuses' failure to stick to preset routes.
- (vii) With regard to the increased demand for Route Nos. 45 and 46 at times when students went to school, TD would cater for the situation when devising overall routes schedules.
- (viii) TD would discuss with KMB on the re-deployment of resources to provide additional routes.

9. Representatives of KMB replied as follows:

- (i) KMB would adjust frequencies of Route No. 33A to avoid deploying single-decked bus during the busiest hours, and would inform TD and Members of the schedule later.
- (ii) KMB would study the feasibility of increasing frequencies of Route No. 45 and 46 at times when students went to school.
- (iii) KMB would implement fixed schedules for Route Nos. 45 and 46 at termini and would continue to study the feasibility of implementing fixed schedules at

mid-way stops.

- (iv) KMB would study section fares for Route No. 45.
- (v) Passengers should have no problem in getting on Route Nos. 41 and 45 at mid-way stops as shown from passenger loading figures.
- (vi) The suspension of two single-decked electric buses in Route No. 35A was due to shipment problem.

Discussion Items

Jaywalking near Crown of Thorns Church in Tai Wo Hau

(Proposed by Mr WONG Bing-kuen and Mr. HUI Kei-cheung)

(TTC Paper No. 39-39d/2014)

- 10. The proposer introduced paper No. 39.

- 11. The Chairman announced that the meeting would be continued in the form of a seminar since a quorum was not present. The minutes of the seminar were at Annex.

Kwai Tsing District Council Secretariat
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**Summary of Discussion of the Seminar of the
Traffic & Transport Committee (2014) of
Kwai Tsing District Council**

Date : 16 October 2014
Time : 4:38 pm - 5:41 pm
Venue : K&TDO Conference Room

Discussion Items

Jaywalking near Crown of Thorns Church in Tai Wo Hau

(Proposed by Mr WONG Bing-kuen and Mr. HUI Kei-cheung)
(TTC Paper No. 39-39d/2014)

1. A proposer asked relevant departments about the assessment of traffic situation at Texaco Road and Tai Wo Hau Road and improvement measures. He said that the open space at the Crown of Thorns Church should not be turned into a temporary car park.
2. Representative of TD said that TD had installed additional guardrails and closely monitored the traffic at the section of road, and site inspection was arranged on the day after the meeting and TD would discuss with Members on further feasible improvement measures.
3. Representative of Police said the Police would prosecute jaywalking pedestrians and distribute leaflets and display banners on road safety. Traffic situation would be assessed with regard to the nature of the car park and the design of its accesses.
4. Representative of District Lands Office (Tsuen Wan and Kwai Tsing) (DLO) said DLO would cooperate with other departments for road safety promotions and consult other departments when processing tenancy applications. In response to a Member's enquiry on the consultation period regarding the proposed car park, he could reply during the joint inspection.

5. Two Members concerned about illegal parking on Tsing King Road and Shek Lei Estate respectively. Representative of Police replied that patrol and prosecution had been enhanced.

Work Reports

Road Safety Working Group

(TTC Paper No. 40/2014)

6. Members noted the above paper.

7. A Member suggested enhancing promotion at traffic black spots in Tai Wo Hau.

Public Transport Services Working Group

(TTC Paper No. 41/2014)

8. Members noted the above paper.

Working Group on Kwai Chung West Traffic Rationalization Working Group (Non-standing)

(TTC Paper No. 42/2014)

9. Members noted the above paper. The report would be endorsed by circulation of paper.

Working Group on Concern Over Hillside Escalator Links and Elevator System (Non-standing)

(TTC Paper No. 43/2014)

10. Members noted the above paper. The report would be endorsed by circulation of paper.

Report Items

Kwai Tsing District Traffic Accident Report

(TTC Paper No. 44/2014) (Tabled at the meeting)

11. In response to Members' concerns, representative of Police replied that high accident figures in red minibuses might be due to commencement of new school year, and he gave some background information on fatal traffic accidents in Kwai Tsing. He said Police would enhance education and prosecution.

Projects and timetables of major traffic improvement works completed in the past two months, in progress or to be commenced in six months by the Highways Department

(TTC Paper No. 45/2014)

12. Members noted the above paper.

13. A Member hoped associated transport facilities would be in place before the commencement of Tai Ha Street project. There Members enquired about details of projects NW/12/00722 and NW/12/02300, NW/12/00528 and NW/14/00632 respectively.

14. Representative of HyD replied as follows:

- (i) HyD would discuss with nearby schools and local Members on measures to minimise impact of the Tai Ha Street project.
- (ii) Plans of NW/12/00722 and NW/12/02300 would be submitted to the Member after the meeting.
- (iii) Project NW/12/00528 would deal with steep staircase problem.
- (iv) Project NW/14/00632 would commence on 24 October and deal with water drainage problem also.

Lost Trip Report of Buses in the 2nd Quarter of 2014

15. Acting chairman said that the paper should be Lost Trip Report of Buses in the 3rd Quarter of 2014, which would be submitted at next meeting.

Any Other Business

16. A Member requested HyD to submit timetable for addition of escalator at footbridge at Tai Wo Hau station exit B. Representative of HyD replied that updates would be submitted once available.

Date of Next Meeting

17. Tentatively scheduled at 2:30pm on 11 December 2014.

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