

**Southern District Council  
Traffic and Transport Committee**

**Progress Report on Previously Discussed Items  
(as at 3 November 2014)**

**Proposed Stanley Multi-storey Car Park and Public Transport Terminus  
at Stanley Village Road  
Report on the Meeting with the Residents on 9 July 2014  
and Views of the Residents**

**Objective**

This paper aims at reporting to members on the meeting with the residents on 9 July 2014 evening about the captioned project, and the views of the residents collected in the meeting and until the deadline of 15 August 2014 as set at the feedback form distributed before and in the meeting.

**Background**

2. Further to the Transport and Traffic Committee (T&TC) Paper No. 16/2012 discussed on 16 April 2012 regarding the revised design of the multi-storey car park to address the local need and request for a multi-storey car park for many years which was welcomed by all members, there were new objections received in 2013. In the meeting on 16 September 2013, although most of the members still asked for the implementation of the project, the Committee requested Transport Department (TD) to hold a meeting with the public/residents to present the project more clearly to avoid any misunderstanding. With the completion of the renovation work of the Stanley Community Hall in July 2014, the meeting was held at the community hall on 9 July 2014.

**Meeting with the Residents**

3. With the assistance of the Southern District Office (SDO), invitations/information notes were sent to local stakeholders.

Representatives of Architectural Services Department, which is responsible for the design, and TD took part in the meeting to present the design to the residents so as to avoid misunderstanding of the project. About 200 participants attended the meeting on 9 July 2014 evening. The residents attended the meeting vigorously voiced out their views, and there were heated discussions on the pros and cons of the project. To allow the public more time to formulate comments, they could return feedback forms by 15 August 2014 if they did not have the opportunity to speak out in the meeting.

4. At the meeting held on 9 July 2014, we received 218 replies, including residents speaking out from the floor, written comments on reply slips, and the 133 reply slips collected by the local DC member Mrs CHAN LEE Pui-ying.

5. After the meeting, the residents expressed their comments in various way including returning reply slips or written replies to SDO, returning reply slips/written replies to SDO with copies to TD via fax/email, email messages to TD direct, etc. After the meeting, a total of 187 replies were received by SDO and TD.

### **Views of the Residents Collected**

6. A summary of the major concerns of the residents and the reply from TD/ArchSD is as follows.

#### **Major Concerns of the Residents**

#### **Reply from TD/ArchSD**

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| 1. The proposed car park will attract more cars to Stanley, aggravating the traffic condition. | There is a shortage of car parking spaces in Stanley during weekends and public holidays. Cars are waiting in queues for car parking spaces, even double-parking along the carriageway, leading to traffic congestion. The location of the proposed car park is currently a car park. Besides that, the proposed car park is not a new |
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tourist attraction. The proposed car park alone will not draw additional traffic trips or tourist.

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| 2. Other locations in Stanley should be considered for the proposed car park, e.g. Carmel Road, and encourage the drivers to walk to Stanley centre and the beach. | According to site observations, the parking sites at Carmel Road can only serve the parking needs of people visiting Stanley Plaza, Stanley Ma Hang Park and Murray House, and could not serve the parking needs of the people visiting the beach, Stanley centre and the tourist attractions nearby. |
| 3. Construction timetable and estimated cost   | The project is at preliminary stage and there is no definite timetable and estimated cost.  |
| 4. Requested traffic impact assessment (TIA) report  | Considering that the project is at a location which is currently a car park and the proposal is not creating a new attraction, a traffic impact assessment is not required.   |
| 5. Reversion of traffic flow at Stanley Beach Road will be dangerous   | The proposal will be beneficial to the traffic junction at Stanley Village Road/Stanley Beach Road/Stanley New Street. However, the issue will be reviewed.   |

7. Overall speaking, there were 179 replies supporting the project, and 185 replies objecting to the project (please refer to Annex II). The reasons of objections included worrying about traffic problem, environmental problem, safety problem (arising from the proposed change in the traffic flow direction of Stanley Beach Road), etc.

## Conclusion

8. Since there were many objections received, slightly more than those supporting the project, the Government will need time to address their concerns. As the proposed car park project is still at design stage, TD will follow up on the replies collected before the design can go a further step.

Transport Department  
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