



Sha Tin District Council

Report on the meeting of the Traffic and Transport Committee
held on 6 March 2012

(1) The Committee discussed:

- (i) the discussion paper *Road T3 and Associated Roadworks - Traffic Management Measures at the Slip Road of Tai Po Road near Scenery Court* submitted by the Civil Engineering Development Department (CEDD) and the Transport Department, and requested the CEDD and the Transport Department to submit details of specific arrangements for implementing *Proposed Short-term Transport Control Measures (Phase 2)*, which had been revised by the Committee, to the Committee for discussion in due course;
- (ii) *Sha Tin District Bus Route Development Programme 2012/2013* submitted by the Transport Department, and passed the following 11 provisional motions:
 - (a) “The Traffic and Transport Committee of the Sha Tin District Council (STDC) welcomes the proposal of the Transport Department and the bus company to provide the special route 682A, but strongly requests that the route should pass through Kwong Sin Street so as to serve the Siu Lek Yuen, Kwong Yuen, Kwong Hong and Castello areas.” (Passed by a vote of 20 in favour and 3 abstentions);
 - (b) “In view of the great demand for the service of route no. 681P, the Traffic and Transport Committee of the STDC strongly requests an immediate increase in the frequency of route no. 681P in the morning and evening.” (Unanimously passed by a vote of 26 in favour);
 - (c) “The Traffic and Transport Committee of the STDC strongly requests the provision of bus service between Ma On Shan and Tseung Kwan O.” (Unanimously passed by a vote of 26 in favour);
 - (d) “The Traffic and Transport Committee of the STDC strongly requests bus route nos. 281X and 281B proposed in the optimisation programme to provide whole-day service, so as to thoroughly replace route no. 81C.”

(Unanimously passed by a vote of 26 in favour);

- (e) “The Traffic and Transport Committee of the STDC strongly opposes the merging of bus route nos. 82X and 84M.” (Passed by a vote of 20 in favour and 1 abstention);
- (f) “The Traffic and Transport Committee of the STDC strongly requests that in order to cope with the needs of Tai Wai residents and the soaring population, the Transport Department and the bus company should increase the frequency of route nos. 305 and 81S to facilitate whole-day operation, and open an airport bus route that runs from the Hin Keng area and passes through the Mei Tin area.” (Unanimously passed by a vote of 25 in favour);
- (g) “The Traffic and Transport Committee of the STDC strongly requests a new bus route that runs from the Horizon Suite Hotel in Ma On Shan, passes through Science Park, the Hyatt Hotel at the MTR University Station, Wo Che, Lek Yuen and the Royal Park Hotel in Sha Tin town centre, and then heads towards the airport via Route 8. It will benefit the tenants of the above three hotels, and meet the transport needs that follow the completion of residential development projects in Science Park. Not only will it benefit the exchange students, professional staff and scholars of the Chinese University, it will overcome the shortage of airport bus service in the Fo Tan, Wo Che and Lek Yuen areas, and make the best of the new road system of Route 8.” (Passed by a vote of 23 in favour and 1 abstention);
- (h) “The Traffic and Transport Committee of the STDC strongly requests the provision of bus service between the MTR Wu Kai Sha Station and the Western District via Route 8, with the route being extended to the University of Hong Kong (HKU) and passing through Shun Tak Centre in Sheung Wan to avoid further burden on the traffic of the Central District on the Hong Kong Island. It will benefit the Ma On Shan residents who need to travel to Shun Tak Centre before taking the ferry to Macao, as well as the HKU students living in Ma On Shan.” (Unanimously passed by a vote of 26 in favour);
- (i) “The Traffic and Transport Committee of the STDC welcomes the plan of Kowloon Motor Bus Company (1933) Limited to launch route no. 287X, but opposes the cancellation of route no. 87A because its current service is not covered by route no. 287X.” (Passed by a vote of 20 in favour and 4

abstentions);

- (j) “The Traffic and Transport Committee of the STDC strongly requests that while launching route nos. 286X and 287X, the bus company should optimise route no. 249X by converting it to a whole-day service, and provide bus-bus interchange concession for the above three routes.”
(Unanimously passed by a vote of 28 in favour);

- (k) “The Traffic and Transport Committee of the STDC strongly requests the government to improve and optimise Bus Route Development Programme 2012/2013 in the following ways:

1. extend the coverage of route nos. A41P, N42, 286M and 85K to Yan On Estate;
2. expeditiously increase the frequency of route no. 681P in the morning, and discuss with the two bus companies about adjusting the bus schedule to cope with the needs of residents, as well as retain the return trips on weekend afternoons and revise the frequency of service;
3. extend the coverage of route no. 281X, a route to be split from 81C, to Yan On Estate, and retain the existing Kowloon terminus at the MTR Hung Hom Station; and
4. extend the coverage of route no. 682A to Chai Wan East and provide return service.”

(Passed by a vote of 20 in favour and 5 abstentions);

- (iii) *Annual Plan 2012* submitted by the Transport Department;

- (iv) replies of the Highways Department, the Transport Department and the Sha Tin Lands Office to the question on the progress of constructing the footbridge connecting the MTR Sha Tin Station and Sha Tin Government Offices;

- (v) replies of Kowloon Motor Bus Company (1933) Limited, Long Win Bus Company Limited, New World First Bus Services Limited and Citybus Limited to the question on bus services in Sha Tin District;

- (vi) replies of the Transport Department, the Highways Department and the Leisure

and Cultural Services Department to the question on the progress of constructing a cycle track at Che Kung Miu Road;

(vii) replies of the Transport Department and the Hong Kong Police Force to the question on the traffic problem in Tai Wai; and

(viii) replies of the Transport Department and the Hong Kong Police Force to the question on the regulation of electric wheelchairs.

(2) The Committee endorsed the following:

(i) formation of three standing working groups under the Committee, adoption of the terms of reference for these working groups, and election of the following persons as convenors:

<u>Working Group</u>	<u>Convenor</u>
(a) Working Group on Road Safety	Mr CHENG Cho-kwong
(b) Working Group on Development of Cycle Network	Mr YEUNG Man-yui
(c) Working Group on Development of Major Transport Infrastructures in Sha Tin District	Ms LAM Chung-yan

(ii) the term of the three standing working groups would be from 6 March 2012 to 31 December 2015;

(iii) recommendation of the following seven persons to the STDC to serve as the Committee's co-opted members:

Mr CHENG Chit Pun	Mr LEUNG Ka Wai
Mr HUNG Wai Keung	Ms LI Wai Han
Mr LAW Man Sang	Mr TONG Hok Leung
Mr LEE Che Kee, MH	

(iv) the proposed estimates totalling \$208,000 under Expenditure Head 7 of 2012/2013.

(3) The Committee noted the following:

- (i) progress report submitted by the Transport Department;
- (ii) report on the progress of works of the Highways Department;
- (iii) population of public housing estates and Private Sector Participation Scheme courts in Sha Tin District; and
- (iv) prosecution figures on traffic offences in Sha Tin town centre.

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