

Sha Tin District Council

Report on the meeting of the Traffic and Transport Committee held on 10 January 2017

- (1) The Committee discussed the following:
 - (i) The Next Phase of the "Universal Accessibility" Programme submitted by the Highways Department, and passed the provisional motion below:
 - "The Traffic and Transport Committee of the Sha Tin District Council strongly requests allocation of additional resources to include NS286, which is also a subway leading to the MTR Tai Shui Hang Station, in the first phase of "Universal Accessibility" Programme (without using the quota of Phase 2), treating NS286 and NS287 (near Exit A of the MTR Tai Shui Hang Station) as one item, and install a lift in the NS286 area for convenience of members of the public travelling to and from the MTR Tai Shui Hang Station." (18 in favour, 11 against and 2 abstentions);
 - (ii) Working Group on Development of Major Transport Infrastructures and Cycle Network- Draft Report of "Study on Improvement of the Cycle Track Network" submitted by the Working Group on Development of Major Transport Infrastructures;
 - (iii) reply of the Highways Department to the question on "Repair and Maintenance of Streetlights";
 - (iv) replies of the Transport Department, the Kowloon Motor Bus Company (1933) Limited (KMB), the New World First Bus Services Limited (NWFB) and the Citybus Limited (CTB) to the question on "Arrangements for Route No. 982X";
 - (v) replies of the Transport Department and the Hong Kong Police Force to the question on "Government Public Transport Fare Concession Scheme for the Elderly and Eligible Persons with Disabilities"; and
 - (vi) replies of the Transport Department, the KMB, the NWFB and the CTB to the

question on "Flat Section Fares of Bus Routes in Sha Tin".

- (2) The Committee endorsed the following:
 - (i) "Motion on Complete Resolution of the Traffic Congestion Problem in the Shing Ho Road and Chik Fuk Street Areas in Tai Wai":

"The Traffic and Transport Committee of the Sha Tin District Council strongly requests the government to set up a task force to deal with the problem of traffic congestion in the Shing Ho Road and Chik Fuk Street areas in Tai Wai, and immediately start to study how the problem can be completely resolved as well as formulate effective measures, hoping that the traffic condition of the above areas will be largely improved within the coming six months. Members of the task force include representatives of relevant government departments such as the District Office, the Transport Department, the Hong Kong Police Force and the Lands Office, as well as representatives of the District Council." (Unanimously passed);

(ii) motion on 'Tackling of Illegal Parking in Shek Mun and Fo Tan":

"The Traffic and Transport Committee of the Sha Tin District Council strongly requests the police to take stringent enforcement action and recruit more traffic wardens to deal with the problem of illegal parking, and suggests that the police should consider following the example of other disciplinary services and hire retired police officers as traffic wardens, so as to increase the manpower for enforcement against illegal parking, thereby mitigating the problem of traffic congestion in the district." (Unanimously passed); and

(iii) motion on "Requesting the Implementation of Section Fares on Bus Routes No. 680 and 682":

"The Traffic and Transport Committee of the Sha Tin District Council strongly requests the NWFB/CTB to arrange for early implementation of section fares at the bus station of Ranava Garden while carrying out rationalisation of bus route no. 682, and expeditiously deal with the matters related to implementation of section fares on route no. 680 at the bus station of Ranava Garden jointly with the KMB." (Unanimously passed);

(3) The Committee noted the response of government departments and organisations to matters arising from the previous meeting.

(4) Owing to the absence of a quorum, the Chairman decided that the question on "Signalling Systems of the MTR's 'East West Corridor' and 'North South Corridor' would be dealt with at the next meeting, and that *Progress Report of the Transport Department*, *Reports of Working Groups*, *The Change in Passenger Travel Pattern after the Commissioning of Kwun Tong Line Extension and the Latest Arrangement of the Public Transport Service Re-organisation Plan, Report on the Progress of Works of the Highways Department, Population of Public Housing Estates and Private Sector Participation Scheme Courts in Sha Tin*, and Prosecution Figures on Traffic Offences in Sha Tin and Tai Wai Town Centres and Wu Kai Sha would be dealt with through circulation of papers.

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