



Sha Tin District Council

Report on the meeting of the
Traffic and Transport Committee held on 23 June 2020

- (1) The Committee endorsed the formation of two standing working groups under the Committee, their terms of reference, and the following convenors of the working groups were elected:

<u>Working Groups</u>	<u>Convenors</u>
(a) Working Group on Major Transport Infrastructures and Road Networks	Mr LI Wing-shing, Wilson
(b) Working Group on Road Safety and Supply-Demand of Parking Spaces	Mr HUI Lap-san

The term of office of the above two standing working groups is from 23 June 2020 to 31 December 2023.

- (2) The Committee discussed the following:
- (i) “Special Scheme” under the “Universal Accessibility Programme”;
 - (ii) the responses of the Security Bureau and the Civil Aviation Department to the question on “Helicopter Flight in the Sha Tin District”;
 - (iii) the response of the Transport Department (TD) to the question on “Service Quality of Minibus Route No. 809K”, and passed the following two provisional motions:

“The Traffic and Transport Committee of the Sha Tin District Council strongly condemns and deeply regrets that the operator of minibus route No. 809K fails to meet the service pledges to provide regular service and disappoints the public; the Committee also regrets that the Transport Department fails to carry out adequate monitoring by adopting effective measures to monitor the fulfilment of service pledges by the operator.

The Committee solemnly requests that the Transport Department strictly monitor the operator of minibus route No. 809K and adopt a punishment mechanism, under which the service contracts of all routes of the concerned operator will be terminated if necessary.” (Unanimously passed);

“The Traffic and Transport Committee of the Sha Tin District Council demands that the Transport Department instruct the operator to fulfil the service pledges and resume the normal service frequency within two months, otherwise the franchises of route No. 809K and other related routes should be re-tendered.” (Unanimously passed);

- (iv) the responses of the Transport and Housing Bureau, the Highways Department, the TD, the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department and the MTR Corporation Limited to the question on “Signalling System Testing and Installation Progress of MTR”, and passed the following provisional motion:

“The Traffic and Transport Committee of the Sha Tin District Council is extremely dissatisfied that the Bus and Railway Branch of the Transport Department, under no objective criteria, allows the MTR to reduce the frequency of Tuen Ma Line Phase I during non-peak hours to a 10-minute interval. The Committee demands that the Transport Department resume the normal train schedule as the one before the epidemic outbreak within 14 days and explain the mechanism of train frequency adjustment.” (Unanimously passed);

- (v) the response of the Hong Kong Police Force to the question on “Illegal Parking in Tai Wai”;

(Post-meeting note: The Secretariat had notified members on 26 June 2020 that the Police would hold a briefing session on 17 July 2020 in respect of traffic enforcement in the Sha Tin District.)

- (vi) the response of the TD to the question on “Installation of Additional Traffic Detectors, Speed Map Panels and Journey Time Indication Systems”;
- (vii) the progress report of the TD;
- (viii) the report on the progress of works of the Highways Department;

- (ix) prosecution figures on traffic offences in Sha Tin, Tai Wai and Ma On Shan; and
 - (x) the report on the operation and works progress of the Mass Transit Railway Corporation.
- (3) The Committee noted the following:
- (i) the responses of government departments and organisations to matters arising from the previous meeting; and
 - (ii) Population of Public Housing Estates and Private Sector Participation Scheme Courts in Sha Tin.
- (4) The Chairman of the Committee decided to convene a special meeting to discuss “Sha Tin District Bus Route Programme 2020-2021”.

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