

Summary of the Minutes of the 1st Special Meeting of the Tsuen Wan District Council

The 1st Special Meeting of the Tsuen Wan District Council (TWDC) was held on 6 February 2012. The major issues discussed were summarised as follows:

Property Developments at Site Tsuen Wan 6 of the Tsuen Wan West Station, West Rail

2. The Development Bureau (DB) and Mass Transit Railway Corporation Limited (MTRCL) briefed Members with the latest design proposal of property developments at Site Tsuen Wan 6 (TW6) of the Tsuen Wan West Station, West Rail. The Leisure and Cultural Service Department introduced design proposal of the public stadium within the site. MTRCL remarked that the originally proposed footbridge linking TW6 and TW7 was replaced by pedestrian crossing facilities in the new design with the consent of the Transport Department (TD). Members generally welcomed the optimised TW6 design proposal and put forth recommendations on air ventilation, outlook design, size of flats, parking facilities, green landscaping works, traffic arrangements and seashore odour problem, etc. Regarding the footbridge link between TW6 and TW7, Members hoped the Government to reconsider its construction and/or reserve land for its future construction. In response to Members' concerns, DB, MTRCL and TD gave detailed elaboration and added that relevant government departments would continue to seek for better utilisation of land and greening effect for TW6, and to consult TWDC and its committees as regards district development, detailed facilities of the proposed stadium and miscellaneous facilities. The Chairman concluded that TWDC recognised the major direction of TW6 development and construction of an indoor stadium with 1 600 seats (as compared to 600 seats in the original proposal). TWDC welcomed the new proposal for meeting the needs of the middle class by increasing supply of small and medium-sized flats to cater for the housing policy. Although it was understood that the current pedestrian flow was insufficient to support construction of a footbridge linking TW6 and TW7, TWDC hoped the Government to continue relevant study and reserve infrastructure for construction of the footbridge subject to demand in the future. Matters in relation to the footbridge would be followed up by the Traffic and Transport Committee, whereas design of the indoor stadium and surrounding facilities be followed up by the District Facilities Management Committee.

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