

**Summary of Discussions and Decisions
of the 4th Meeting of the
Traffic and Transport Committee held on 6 September 2012**

Opening Remarks

The Chairman welcomed Members and Government Representatives to the meeting.

Item 1 Confirmation of Minutes of Last Meeting

2. Minutes were confirmed without amendment.

Item 2 Progress Report on District Traffic Improvement Projects under Construction or under Planning by Transport Department (“TD”)/Highways Department (“HyD”) (as at end of August 2012)
(YTM TTC Paper No. 42/2012)

3. Members noted the progress of the improvements made to the traffic system of Nga Cheung Road (near International Commercial Centre).

Item 3 Proposals on Provision of Barrier-free Access Facilities at Existing Footbridges

- (i) **Footbridge at Science Museum Path near Science Museum Road and Hong Chong Road / Footbridge across Hong Chong Road near Hong Kong Polytechnic University (No. KF84/KF2)**
- (ii) **Footbridge across Luen Wan Street near MTR Mong Kok East Station (No. KF54)**
- (iii) **Subway to Jordan Road, near King George V Memorial Park, Kowloon (No. KS49)**

Consultation on Elevator Projects
(YTM TTC Paper No. 43/2012)

4. Members supported the three projects listed in the paper. They requested HyD to plan well when conducting the works to cater for the adjacent development project.

Item 4 Shatin to Central Link—Project Progress Update
(YTM TTC Paper No. 44/2012)

5. Members noted the content of the paper.

Item 5 Frequency of KMB No. 12
(YTM TTC Paper No. 45/2012)

6. Members requested TD and the Kowloon Motor Bus (“KMB”) to closely monitor

the performance of KMB frontline staff and to renew bus stop and bus facilities. KMB should also consider increasing the frequency of route no. 12 for service improvement.

Item 6 Urging Police to Address Road Death Incident Caused by Lorry Illegally Reversing at Nelson Street and Illegal Parking Thereat
(YTMTTC Paper No. 46/2012)

7. Members urged the Police to actively follow up on illegal vehicle reversing and parking at Canton Road, such as considering the imposition of heavier penalties.

Item 7 Concern over Illegal Parking and Pavement Obstruction at Boundary Street
(YTMTTC Paper No. 47/2012)

8. Members requested the Police to step up enforcement and consider amending the law to take more stringent actions against illegal parking and pavement encroachment by shops.

Item 8 Request for Review of Public Transport Support Facilities in Tai Kok Tsui
(YTMTTC Paper No. 48/2012)

9. Members urged TD to review the night bus service in TKT, and to draw up a timetable for reshuffling the bus routes for service improvement.

10. The issue would be dealt with under “Matters Arising” at the next meeting.

Item 9 Concern over Illegal Parking in Tai Kok Tsui and Jordan Areas
(YTMTCC Paper No. 49/2012)

11. Members were concerned that traffic congestion due to double parking in TKT and at Ferry Point would endanger pedestrian safety. They suggested painting double yellow lines on the relevant road sections or extending the existing double yellow lines to these locations. TD representatives responded that they would study various improvement measures and discuss feasible solutions with the councillor of the constituency concerned after the meeting.

Item 10 Request for Better Underground Passage Connection between Tsim Sha Tsui East and Hong Kong Cultural Centre
(YTMTCC Paper No. 50/2012)

12. Members agreed to write a letter to the Transport and Housing Bureau (“THB”) and the relevant departments asking for a review of the feasibility of building a subway to connect the MTR Tsim Sha Tsui Station and HKCC.

Item 11 Early Provision of Lifts at Footbridges and Subways in Yau Tsim Mong District in Line with Government’s Barrier-free Policy
(YTMTCC Paper No. 51/2012)

Item 13 Request for Provision of Escalators or Lifts at Footbridges at Argyle Street/Tong Mei Road and Dundas Street/Ferry Street
(YTMTCC Paper No. 53/2012)

13. Footbridge KF94 was among the proposed projects on the list. Footbridges KF88 and KF89 would follow suit. HyD would consult the District Council on the implementation priorities.

Item 12 Proposed Erection of Canopy at Bus Stop off The Long Beach
(YTMTCC Paper No. 52/2012)

14. KMB had applied to TD for permission to erect a canopy at the bus stop off The Long Beach. TD would consult local views and the relevant departments and inform the Committee in due course.

Item 14 Request for Painting of Double Yellow Lines in Front of Peninsula Centre (near Mody Square), Tsim Sha Tsui East
(YTMTCC Paper No. 54/2012)

15. TD agreed to conduct a consultation exercise to review whether the public supported designating the area in front of Peninsula Centre (near Mody Square) as a 24-hour restricted zone. The consultation results would be reported to the Committee once available.

Item 15 Any Other Business

16. A member said that the excavation works of the Mong Kok footbridge extension project caused nearby buildings to shake. HyD had commissioned the Buildings Department to examine the buildings concerned. No structural problem was identified.

17. HyD would advise the project consultant to communicate with the owners/tenants concerned before entering the next phase of works. Inspections would also be stepped up to prevent nearby buildings from being affected.

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