

Legislative Council Panel on Transport

Sha Tin New Town, Stage II – detailed design and site investigation for Road T3

Supplementary Information

PURPOSE

When the Legislative Council Panel on Transport discussed the captioned project at its meeting on 15 February 2001, Members requested for detailed site plans and supplementary information on the project. The site plans have been sent to Members. The requested supplementary information is set out below –

- (a) estimated cost for Road T3 after increase in scope; and
- (b) weaving of traffic when viaducts from Tai Po Road and Route 9 merge.

THE ADMINISTRATION'S RESPONSE

Estimated Cost for Road T3 after increase in scope

2. The current estimated cost of Road T3 is \$2,106 million at September 2000 price level. This estimate has already included the estimated costs for the additional items of works listed in the paper for the Panel and the PWSC paper (PWSC(2000-01)95), which is \$610 million (September 2000 price level) in total.

Weaving of traffic when viaducts from Tai Po Road and Route 9 merge

3. After the two viaducts from Tai Po Road and Route 9 merge near Mei Tin Road, the single lane from Tai Po Road will become the nearside lane while the two lanes from Route 9 will form the centre and the offside lanes. Northbound traffic from Tai Po Road can stay in lane to access the slip road to Mei Tin Road or for journeys further north. Traffic from Route 9 will need to change to the nearside lane to access the slip road to Mei Tin Road.

4. There will be about 230 metres for motorist to weave before the slip road exit to Mei Tin Road. This is more than the minimum required weaving distance of 200 metres for designed traffic speed of 70 kilometre/hour. Adequate signs will also be placed along the approach road to guide the motorists.

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