

Tung Chung Cable Car Project

Presentation to

Bills Committee Legislative Council

31 March 2003

The Presentation

- Project Description
- Progress Status
- Project Benefits



Project Description



Major Milestones

- July 2001 ➤ Competitive Bids submitted to Government
- July 2002 > Government entered into a Provisional
 Agreement with MTRC in preference to others
- Mid 2003 ➤ Project Agreement (PA)
- Immediately after PA > Construction commences
- ◆ Third quarter of 2005 ➤ Public opening



Scope

- Tung Chung Terminal Complex
- Walkway to Citygate
- Cable Car system
- Angle stations at Airport Island and Country Park
- Ngong Ping Terminal and Theme Village





Cable Car System



- Tung Chung to Ngong Ping via Airport Island
- Total 5.7km in length
- 2 angle stations
- 8 towers



The Journey

- Travelling time circa 20 minutes
- Magnificent views
 - ➤ Tung Chung Area
 - ➤ Airport
 - ➤ South China Sea
 - ➤ Statue of Buddha
 - ➤ Po Lin Monastery







Ngong Ping Terminal and Theme Village





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Project Objectives

- 30 year BOT franchise
- Integrated cultural and environmental tourism experience
- High quality, "must-see"
- Complement Ngong Ping environment
- Reasonable financial return

Project Framework

- Cable Car System + Terminal Buildings
 - Build-Own-Operate-Transfer basis
 - ➤ Enabling Ordinance for 30 years franchise period
 - ► No land title
- Ngong Ping Theme Village
 - Private Treaty Grant for 30 years
- Aerial Ropeways (Safety) Ordinance

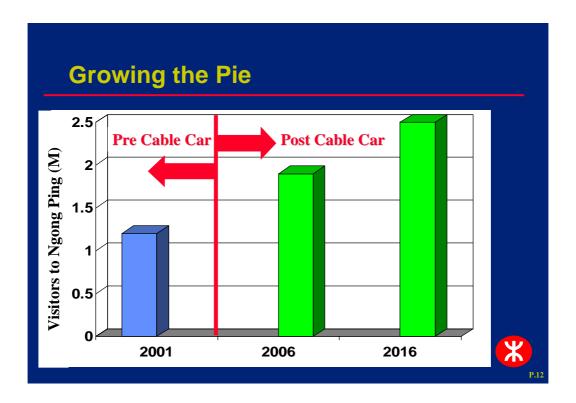


Government Organization

- Tourism Commission
 - Project owner
 - Providing overall direction of the Project
- Territory Development Department
 - Government agent to handle technical issues
 - ➤ Focal point of contact with government departments
 - ► EMSD
- > BD
- ► EPD
- ► HyD

- > TD
- ► DSD
- ► WSD





Business Viability

- MTRCL listed company
- MTR patronage forecasts and market research
- Viable business case, set out in project proposal
- No subsidy from Government
- \$1 royalty/passenger to Government
- Parallel works by Government
 - Sewage Treatment Plant
 - Piazza area
 - Water supply and drainage systems
 - Public Transport Interchange



Progress Status



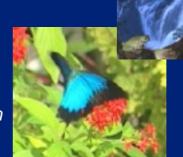
Project Framework

- Tung Chung Cable Car Bill
 - ➤ Gazetted on 30 January 2003
 - ➤ To LegCo on 12 February 2003
- Aerial Ropeways Amendment Regulation 2003
 - To be gazetted in April/May 2003
- Project Agreement
 - ► At drafting stage



Environmental Focus

- Close liaison with EPD, CMPB
- On-going consultation with Green Groups
 - Friends of the Earth
 - Green Lantau
 - Green Power
 - ► Conservancy Association
 - ► Kadoorie Farms
- EIA submitted to EPD on 30 January 2003
- EIA published in March 2003





Tourism Issues

- Consultation with
 - ► Hong Kong Tourism Board
 - ► Tour Operators
- Two distinct markets
 - Mainland/Taiwan
 - Others



Further research required in the Mainland/Taiwan



Community / Interest Groups

- On-going consultation with
 - Monastery / Buddhist Groups
 - ► Green Groups
 - Country and Marine Parks Board
 - > Schools
 - ▶ Islands District Council
 - Bus operators
 - Rural Committees
 - many others



Supply Chain - Key Members





- Skyrail-ITM Operator and Consultant
- Leitner -Cable Car Supplier



- Aedas LPT Design Consultant
- Maeda Building Contractor



Project Management

- Experienced MTRCL project team
 - > includes site supervision, coordination and PR
 - ► Proven systems
- Expert cable car operating input from Skyrail-ITM and Leitner



Cable Car System

Alignment, location of angle stations, towers confirmed





Cable Car System

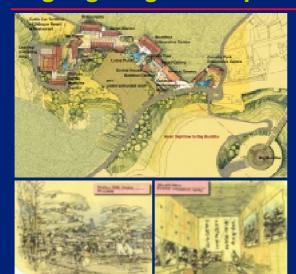
- Bi-cable System
- Cabin 17 person capacity with 10 seats







Ngong Ping Development

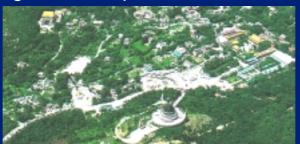


- Themed attractions
- Educational
- Food outlets
- Retail



Integration with Ngong Ping

- Consistent design approach for the Cable Car facilities and neighbouring developments
 - Piazza area
 - Public transport interchange
 - Sewage treatment plant





Project Benefits



Benefits of the Project

- New employment
 - > 300 people during construction stage
 - > 300 people for operation
- Growing the pie at Ngong Ping
- New tourism attraction for Hong Kong
- Supporting Lantau as a tourism destination





Thank You

