

**Panel on Transport**

**Subcommittee on matters relating to railways**

**List of railways and projects**  
(position as at 19 November 2003)

**A. Existing railway network**

Subject	Date of relevant meeting(s)	Follow-up actions required	Administration's response
<p>1. Mass Transit Railway (MTR)</p> <p>1.1 Airport Express Line (AEL) and MTR Tung Chung Line (TCL)</p>	29.9.2003 (SC)	<p>The Administration to:</p> <p>(a) consider introducing an additional performance requirement on train service disruption under the Operating Agreement; and</p> <p>(b) provide detailed information on the provision of emergency transport services for AEL and TCL stations during service disruptions, including the timing and capacity of such services to be provided by various public transport operators.</p>	Response awaited.

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1.2 Legislative proposal	25.5.2001 (TP)	Taking into account the grave concerns expressed by members about the need and justifications for empowering MTRCL to perform certain regulatory functions within the railway premises and the imposition of criminal sanctions, the Administration and MTRCL to review the relevant provisions of the proposed Mass Transit Railway (Amendment) Bylaw 2001 and to revert to the Panel before proceeding further with the legislative proposal.	MTRCL is reviewing the way forward for the Bylaw.



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			discussed by the Subcommittee at its forthcoming meeting on 25 November 2003.
3. Ma On Shan to Tai Wai Rail Link (MOS Rail)			The Administration proposes to discuss an item on Better Co-ordination of public transport services arising from the commissioning of MOS Rail and ERE at the Subcommittee meeting on 8 January 2004.
4. KCR Extension to Tsim Sha Tsui (ERE)			- ditto -
5. Penny's Bay Rail Link (PBRL)	24.7.2002 (SC)	<p>The Administration to follow up on the following motion passed by the Subcommittee in relation to the PBRL Project:</p> <p>"本小組委員會支持盡快興建竹篙灣鐵路線，但對於政府以豁免收取地鐵股息作為財務支持有所保留，並促請政府繼續向本小組委員會匯報工程進度。"</p>	The construction of PBRL is on schedule.

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6. Sheung Shui to Lok Ma Chau Spur Line			The Administration proposes to discuss an item on Public Transport Interchange at Lok Ma Chau Spur Line Terminus at the Subcommittee meeting on 7 May 2004.

**C. Railway projects under planning**

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7. Shatin to Central Link (SCL)	29.9.2003 (SC)	The Administration to revert in one to two months' time on its decision as to whether the extension of East Rail or East Kowloon Line would be adopted for SCL in providing the Fourth Rail Harbour Crossing.	The Administration will revert on the design scheme of SCL at the Subcommittee meeting on 8 January 2004.
8. Island Line Extensions  8.1 North Hong Kong Island Line to provide an additional rail corridor along the north shore of Hong Kong Island between the MTR Hong Kong Station and Fortress Hill Station (to be deferred to beyond 2016)			

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<p>8.2 West Hong Kong Island Line (WIL) Phase I from Sheung Wan to Belcher of ILE to be combined with the South Hong Kong Island Line (SIL)</p> <p>8.3 WIL Phase II from Belcher to Kennedy Town (to be held in abeyance until the way forward for the Western District Reclamation is clear)</p>	<p>24.10.2003 (TP)</p>	<p>After its on-going study on the SIL/WIL project is completed in early 2004, MTRCL will submit a project proposal to the Government by the second quarter of 2004. The Administration will arrange to brief the Panel on the way forward for Route 7 and SIL/WIL after it has considered the project proposal.</p>	<p>Matters relating to SIL/WIL and Route 7 will be discussed by the Transport Panel at its meeting on 28 May 2004.</p>
<p>9. Kowloon Southern Link (KSL)</p>	<p>6.6.2003 (SC)</p>	<p>The Administration/KCRC to brief the Subcommittee further before gazettal of the KSL project.</p> <p>The Administration/KCRC to provide the following information in relation to the proposed implementation of the KSL project:</p> <p>(a) works programme including the organization, sequence and timing of the execution of works;</p>	<p>The item will be discussed by the Subcommittee at its forthcoming meeting on 25 November 2003.</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="1025 264 1435 300">(b) traffic impact assessment;</li><li data-bbox="1025 344 1720 459">(c) business impact assessment including the arrangement for affected parties to claim compensation for disturbance payment;</li><li data-bbox="1025 504 1720 655">(d) environmental impact assessment, particularly the impact of KSL on the continued operation of the Cultural Centre facilities;</li><li data-bbox="1025 703 1720 778">(e) financing of the project, the need for Government equity;</li><li data-bbox="1025 823 1720 975">(f) criteria for the choice of construction methods for different sections of KSL, and the respective cost of the construction methods; and</li><li data-bbox="1025 1023 1720 1174">(g) KCR-MTR interchange arrangements and the need for revising the design of KSL if the merger proposal of KCRC and MTRCL were to be taken forward.</li></ul>	



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10. Northern Link (NOL)	9.10.2002 (Council)  27.6.2003 (TP)	A motion on "Expediting the implementation of the Northern Link" was passed by the Legislative Council.  At the meeting of the Transport Panel held on 27 June 2003, members noted the view expressed by Yuen Long District Council that the construction of NOL should be expedited.	KCRC is reviewing the financial viability of the project.  A progress report from the Administration was circulated to members vide CB(3)222/02-03.
11. Regional Express Line (REL)	25.10.2002 (TP)	The Administration to brief members about details of the relevant planning for the Guangzhou – Shenzhen – Hong Kong Express Rail Link project, of which REL is the Hong Kong section, in due course.	The Administration is conducting a joint study with the Mainland authorities and will brief the Subcommittee upon completion of the study.
12. Port Rail Line			

Legend:

TP = Meeting of Transport Panel

SC = Meeting of Subcommittee on matters relating to railways

Council = Meeting of the Legislative Council

Note: The Administration was reminded on 7 November 2003 to provide the information requested by members.

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