

**Panel on Transport**  
**Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways**

**List of outstanding items for discussion**  
(as at 2 November 2011)

<b>Items</b>	<b>Proposed timing for discussion</b>
<b>1. Railway incidents</b>	4 November 2011
<p>The Subcommittee discussed the recent railway incidents involving rail cracks at its special meeting on 21 February 2011, and the findings of the investigations by MTRCL on the relevant rail breakage incidents which occurred in January and February 2011 at its meeting on 18 March 2011. To follow up, MTRCL engaged a team of experts on rail technology from the Monash University to conduct a comprehensive review of MTRCL's rail procurement, quality control, inspection and maintenance regime with particular focus on rail cracks and breakages. MTRCL and the Administration then submitted the findings and recommendations of the review (LC Paper No. CB(1)2973/10-11(01) on 2 September 2011).</p>	
<p>Hon IP Wai-ming wrote to the Subcommittee on 7 April 2011 proposing to discuss the service disruption of the Ma On Shan Line on 7 April 2011. In this connection, the Administration has provided an investigation report on the service disruption on 4 May 2011 ((LC Paper No. CB(1)2103/10-11(01)).</p>	
<p>At the request of the Subcommittee, MTRCL has provided information papers on railway service performance for the period between 1 July and 15 August 2011 (Annex C to LC Paper No. CB(1)2973/10-11(01) issued on 2 September 2011) and MTRCL's maintenance and infrastructure manpower resources (Annex I to LC Paper No. CB(1)2922/10-11(02) issued on 22 August 2011) . The Administration has also provided a copy of the letter issued by the Secretary of Transport and Housing to CEO/MTRCL regarding the Tsuen Wan Line incident on 21 October 2010 (LC Paper No. CB(1)2922/10-11(02)).</p>	

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<b>2. Design of next generation of railway stations</b>	January 2012
To report to the Subcommittee on the design philosophy and features of future railway stations	
<b>3. New trains for MTRCL</b>	January 2012
MTRCL to brief Members on the new trains from Changchun on its features and enhanced safety design. The first new train will commence operation by end 2011 in Urban line and will also be used in WIL and KTE in the future.	
<b>4. Shatin to Central Link – Progress Report</b>	March 2012
Last discussed at the Subcommittee meeting on 4 November 2010. The Administration will consult the Subcommittee on the latest development of the project.	
<b>5. Shatin to Central Link – Funding Application</b>	Q2 2012
The Administration will consult the Subcommittee on the funding application for the remaining works of Shatin to Central Link.	
<b>6. Safety Campaign of MTRCL</b>	Q2 2012
MTRCL to brief Members on the works done by MTRCL to promote passenger awareness on safe travelling on MTRCL.	

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<p><b>7. Progress and financial situation of the construction of the Hong Kong section of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link (Half-yearly report for the period ending 30 June 2011)</b></p> <p>At the Subcommittee meeting on 16 April 2010, the Administration advised that the Subcommittee would be updated on the construction of the project at six-month intervals. The Subcommittee discussed the second progress report on 20 May 2011.</p> <p>The Administration submitted the third progress report (covering 1 January 2011 to 30 June 2011) on 26 September 2011.</p>	Q2 2012
<p><b>8. Follow-up on matters arising from the rail merger</b></p> <p>Proposed by Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming. He would like to follow up progress of the various matters raised by the Bills Committee on Rail Merger Bill, such as the provision of public toilets at railway stations, and other service improvement undertakings.</p>	To be confirmed
<p><b>9. Extension of Island Line to Siu Sai Wan</b></p> <p>Proposed by Hon Mrs Regina IP at the Panel meeting on 14 October 2008.</p> <p>The Administration has provided a written response to Mrs IP's proposal, which was issued vide LC Paper No. CB(1)100/09-10.</p>	To be confirmed

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**10. Northern Link**

To be confirmed

Last discussed at the Subcommittee meeting on 15 January 2007.

The alignment and planning parameters of the Northern Link are under review in the light of the planning and engineering study on the New Development Areas in the New Territories so that the Northern Link can be properly integrated with these new developments.

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