## **Panel on Transport**

## **Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways**

## List of follow-up actions (as at 22 October 2014)

Subject	Date of meeting	Follow-up action required	Latest position / Administration's response
Retrofitting of automatic platform gates along the East Rail Line ("ERL") and Ma On Shan Line	22 November 2013	The Administration/ the MTR Corporation Limited ("MTRCL") were requested to —  a) provide detailed information on the incidents involving passengers falling onto the railway track after the latest review of the penalty scheme under the Fare Adjustment Mechanism of MTRCL, including the duration of train service disruptions; and  b) provide information on the expected increase in patrons and headway of trains after the replacement of 12-car trains with 9-car trains for ERL.	Response awaited.
2. Progress and financial situation of the construction of the Hong Kong Section ("HKS") of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link ("XRL")	22 November 2013	The Administration/MTRCL were requested to make arrangement for Subcommittee members to attend a site visit at an appropriate time after the delivery of the first set of high speed rail train to the Hong Kong site in 2014.	Paper No. CB(1)782/13-14

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			MTRCL will liaise with the Legislative Council Secretariat in due course for necessary arrangement for the site visit.
3. Rail inspection regime of MTRCL	3 January 2014	The Administration/MTRCL were requested to provide the respective number of in-house and outsourced maintenance staff as regards visual inspection for different railway lines of MTRCL.	Response awaited.
4. Site visit to Light Rail stations	3 January 2014	The Administration/MTRCL were requested to make arrangement for Subcommittee members to visit a busy Light Rail station to better understand the crowdedness of the train compartments and on the platform during peak hours at an appropriate time.	Response awaited.
5. Capacity and loading of MTR trains	28 February 2014	The Administration/MTRCL were requested to —  a) provide information on when the service of West Rail Line would become saturated;  b) provide the total patronage of different railway lines; and  c) make arrangement for Subcommittee members to visit a busy MTR station	Response awaited.

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		(say Admiralty Station) to better understand the crowdedness of the train compartments and on the platform during peak hours at an appropriate time.	
6. Follow-ups on the service suspension of Tseung Kwan O Line and part of Kwun Tong Line on 16 December 2013, and report on subsequent major incidents on ERL and Light Rail	28 February 2014	The Administration/MTRCL were requested to –  a) provide information on the procurement of insulators (including the cost) for ERL in the past; and  b) provide details of the calculation of the penalty against MTRCL for serious service disruptions under the Fare Adjustment Mechanism introduced in 2013.	Response awaited.
7. Latest position of the construction of HKS of XRL	5 May 2014	The Administration/MTRCL were requested to provide the following document/information –  a) minutes of the urgent meeting held amongst the Transport and Housing Bureau, Highways Department ("HyD") and MTRCL in the evening of 21 November 2013 following the call made by the Chief Executive Officer of MTRCL to the Secretary for Transport and Housing on that day expressing disagreement about reporting to the	The Administration's written responses were issued vide LC Papers Nos. CB(1)1422/13-14 (04) and (02) on 15 and 16 May 2014 respectively.

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		Subcommittee that the target for completion of HKS of XRL in 2015 could not be met; and  b) with regard to the delay recovery measures reassured by MTRCL at various junctures to maintain the target completion date of HKS of XRL in 2015 ("the proposed measures"), a brief	
		report on whether HyD and/or the external consultant employed by HyD (i.e. Jacobs China Limited) had conducted any independent assessment of the feasibility and effectiveness of the proposed measures to mitigate the delay at different stages and provided relevant advice to the Administration.	
8. Latest position of the construction of HKS of XRL	19 May 2014	The Administration/MTRCL were requested to provide the following information —  a) the amount of land (in hectares) of the temporary works sites of XRL project which had been returned to facilitate development of the West Kowloon Cultural District ("WKCD"), in particular the area between M+ and the Xiqu Centre at WKCD, and the timeframe for returning the remaining sites in comparison to the original schedule; and	The Administration's written response was issued vide LC Paper No. CB(1)1938/13-14 (01) on 20 August 2014.

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		b) which party (i.e. the Government, MTRCL or the West Kowloon Cultural District Authority) would bear the overrun cost of WKCD project, if any, arising from late return of XRL temporary works sites.	
9. Progress update of the construction of the West Island Line ("WIL"), South Island Line (East) ("SIL(E)") and Kwun Tong Line Extension ("KTE")	17 June 2014	The Administration/MTRCL were requested to —  a) in view of the delay in the construction of the new railway lines, provide information on the actual increase in project costs; the compensation plans, if any, for businesses in the respective district; loss suffered by the economy of Hong Kong; and any change in the cost recovery period for future railway projects; and  b) provide information on whether the operation and maintenance of WIL, SIL(E) and KTE would be carried out by in-house staff or staff of contractors; and the mix of the in-house staff and outsourced staff, if any.	Response awaited.
10. ERL service disruptions on 27 and 28 April, and 1 and 2 May 2014	4 July 2014	MTRCL was requested to provide a written report on the Corporation's current risk management system.	Response awaited.

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11. Progress update of the construction of the Shatin to Central Link	4 July 2014	The Administration/MTRCL were requested to provide the number of construction personnel short for each of the five new railway projects under construction.	Response awaited.

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