

Panel on Development

268RS – Cycle Track between Tsuen Wan and Tuen Mun – Advance Works

Follow-up Issues of the Meeting held on 27 February 2018

At the meeting on 27 February 2018, the Panel on Development discussed the LC Paper No. CB(1)608/17-18(03) on the proposal to upgrade part of PWP Item No. 268RS, entitled “Cycle Track between Tsuen Wan and Tuen Mun” to Category A, at an estimated cost of \$140.9 million in money-of-the-day (MOD) prices, for the construction of the Advance Works to provide a section of cycle track from Tsing Tsuen Bridge to Bayview Garden in Tsuen Wan. The Administration was requested to provide information on -

- (a) given that the proposed cycle track would pass through Tsuen Wan Riviera Park managed by the Leisure and Cultural Services (“LCSD”), LCSD’s relevant regulations regarding cycling in the park area and on the designated cycle track within the park;
- (b) in the funding proposal to be submitted to the Public Works Subcommittee, the Administration's response on whether it would consider members' suggestions on (i) permitting cycling on the walkway of Tsing Tsuen Bridge; and (ii) extending the proposed cycle track to reach Wing Shun Street where a lift connecting the elevated walkway of Tsing Tsuen Bridge was being constructed.

This note sets out our response to the request as follows -

- (a) LCSD’s relevant regulations regarding cycling in the park area and on the designated cycle track within the park

Under Section 14(1) of the Pleasure Grounds Regulation (Cap. 132 BC), cycling is not allowed in public pleasure grounds except in areas set apart in the pleasure grounds by LCSD for such activities. The proposed cycle track would pass through Tsuen Wan Park and Tsuen Wan Riviera Park which are managed by LCSD. Pursuant to the above-mentioned Regulation, cyclists will be allowed to ride bicycles along the designated cycle track within these two Parks but not in other park areas.

(b)(i) Cycling on the walkway of Tsing Tsuen Bridge

Under the current standards and legislation, cyclists riding on bicycles along a footpath are not permitted. In view of the current limited width of the footpath on Tsing Tsuen Bridge, there is no room for providing both a designated cycle track and a footpath along the bridge.

(b)(ii) Extending the proposed cycle track to reach Wing Shun Street

The suggested extension of the proposed cycle track to reach Wing Shun Street falls outside the gazetted scheme for the Advanced Works. According to a preliminary assessment by the Civil Engineering and Development Department, the suggested extension will be subjected to a number of technical constraints. We will study this suggestion and assess its feasibility and cost-effectiveness under the remaining stages of the cycle track project.

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