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Panel on Transport

Minutes of meeting held on
Thursday, 12 October 2017, at 12:15 pm
in Conference Room 3 of the Legislative Council Complex

Members present : Hon Frankie YICK Chi-ming, SBS, JP (Chairman)
Hon LAM Cheuk-ting (Deputy Chairman)
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, GBS, JP
Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung, GBS, JP
Hon WONG Ting-kwong, GBS, JP
Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, SBS, JP
Hon WONG Kwok-kin, SBS, JP
Hon Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-ye, GBS, JP
Hon Paul TSE Wai-chun, JP
Hon Claudia MO
Hon Michael TIEN Puk-sun, BBS, JP
Hon Steven HO Chun-yin, BBS
Hon WU Chi-wai, MH
Hon Charles Peter MOK, JP
Hon CHAN Chi-chuen
Hon CHAN Han-pan, JP
Hon LEUNG Che-cheung, SBS, MH, JP
Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki
Hon KWOK Wai-keung, JP
Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung
Dr Hon Helena WONG Pik-wan
Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT, BBS, JP
Hon POON Siu-ping, BBS, MH
Ir Dr Hon LO Wai-kwok, SBS, MH, JP
Hon CHUNG Kwok-pan

Hon Alvin YEUNG
Hon CHU Hoi-dick
Hon HO Kai-ming
Hon Wilson OR Chong-shing, MH
Hon CHAN Chun-ying
Hon Tanya CHAN
Hon CHEUNG Kwok-kwan, JP
Hon LUK Chung-hung
Hon LAU Kwok-fan, MH
Hon Kenneth LAU Ip-keung, BBS, MH, JP
Hon KWONG Chun-yu
Hon Jeremy TAM Man-ho

Members absent : Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, GBS, JP
Hon CHAN Hak-kan, BBS, JP
Hon YIU Si-wing, BBS
Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan, JP
Hon Andrew WAN Siu-kin
Dr Hon Junius HO Kwan-yiu, JP
Dr Hon CHENG Chung-tai

Clerk in attendance : Ms Sophie LAU
Chief Council Secretary (4)2

Staff in attendance : Mr Matthew LOO
Assistant Secretary General 4

Miss Joyce CHING
Senior Council Secretary (4)2

Ms Jacqueline LAW
Council Secretary (4)2

Miss Winnie CHENG
Senior Legislative Assistant (4)1

Ms Carmen HO
Senior Legislative Assistant (4)2

Ms Emma CHEUNG
Senior Legislative Assistant (4)3

Miss Mandy LAM
Legislative Assistant (4)2

Mr Chris CHAN
Clerical Assistant (4)2

Action

I. Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman

Election of Chairman

Mr CHAN Han-pan, the incumbent Chairman called for nominations for the chairmanship of the Panel on Transport ("Panel") for the 2017-2018 session.

2. Mr Frankie YICK was nominated by Mr Tommy CHEUNG and the nomination was seconded by Ms Starry LEE. Mr Frankie YICK accepted the nomination. There being no other nomination, Mr Frankie YICK was elected the Chairman of the Panel.

Election of Deputy Chairman

3. The Chairman called for nominations for the deputy chairmanship of the Panel for the 2017-2018 session. Mr LAM Cheuk-ting was nominated by Dr KWOK Ka-ki and the nomination was seconded by Mr WU Chi-wai. Mr LAM Cheuk-ting accepted the nomination.

4. As there was no other nomination, the Chairman declared Mr LAM Cheuk-ting elected as the Deputy Chairman of the Panel for the 2017-2018 session.

II. Schedule of meetings for the 2017-2018 session

5. Members agreed that the monthly regular meetings of the Panel would be held on the third Friday of each month at 10:45 am except for February 2018, which was proposed to be held on 23 February 2017 at 10:45 am. Members also agreed that the regular meetings might be advanced to start at 10:00 am, if necessary, to allow more time for

discussion. Members noted and endorsed the proposed meeting schedule which was tabled at the meeting.

(Post-meeting note: The meeting schedule of the Panel on Transport for the 2017-18 session was issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(4)28/17-18 on 12 October 2017.)

III. Items for discussion at the next meeting

Appendix V to LC Paper No. — List of outstanding items for
CB(4)2/17-18 discussion

Appendix VI to LC Paper No. — List of follow-up actions
CB(4)2/17-18

6. Members noted the "List of outstanding items for discussion" and the "List of follow-up actions" prepared by the Secretariat.

7. Members also noted that the next regular meeting would be held on Friday, 20 October 2017, from 10:45 am to 12:45 pm to receive a briefing by the Secretary for Transport and Housing on transport-related policy initiatives featuring in the Chief Executive's 2017 Policy Address.

8. Members then suggested items to be discussed at meetings of the 2017-2018 session.

Electric Vehicles ("EVs")

9. Dr KWOK Ka-ki expressed concern over the shortage of facilities for charging EVs and the registration system of EVs. He opined that EVs should become the mainstream direction of the development of the automobile industry. He suggested to discuss the policies and issues relating to EVs and arrange public hearing on this subject. He further said that the above said matters might also be related to the policies under the purview of Panel on Environment Affairs Panel and Panel on Commerce and Industry.

10. The Chairman advised that he had given notice to move the motion on "Promoting the popularization of electric vehicles" at the Council meeting on 25 October 2017. He would follow up with the Administration on Mr KWOK Ka-ki's suggestion.

Public transport service and road safety

11. Mr LUK Chung-hung said that the public was concerned about the insufficient manpower for the provision of public transport services and the related issue of the long working hours and remuneration of bus captains. He suggested to discuss the above issues at a future Panel meeting.

12. The Chairman advised that the Administration was arranging meetings with the franchised bus companies and staff unions to review the "Guidelines on Bus Captain Working Hours, Rest Times and Meal Breaks" and that independent contractors would be engaged to carry out annual field surveys on the working hours, rest time and meal breaks of bus captains. The discussion of the above issues could be arranged pending the outcome of the Administration's review.

13. Mr LUK Chung-hung said that despite the above exercise by the Administration, the above issues should be discussed at this Panel in parallel so that the views of Panel members could be taken into account for consideration. Dr Fernando CHEUNG concurred with Mr LUK's suggestion and view and also suggested that passengers safety, road safety as well as occupational safety of drivers were also matters of concern. Dr Helena WONG also expressed concern over the above issues. The Chairman said he would liaise with the Administration to arrange a suitable time for discussion.

Transport for All

14. Dr Fernando CHEUNG expressed concern about barrier-free access facilities, in particular, the shortage of rebus and the progress of the introduction of low-floor wheelchair-accessible public light buses. Dr CHEUNG said that currently there was no clear policy direction on "Transport for All" and thus he suggested to discuss the issue at this Panel as soon as possible. The Chairman said that he would liaise with the Administration on the discussion of the above subject.

Parking policy

15. Dr Helena WONG expressed concern over the supply of parking spaces, including public car parks and on-street meter parking space, and urged the Administration to discuss measures to alleviate the shortage of parking space at a Panel meeting.

16. The Chairman advised that a special meeting previously scheduled for 12 June 2017 to receive public's view on parking policy had been cancelled due to adverse weather condition. A suitable meeting timeslot would be worked out soon. The Chairman further said that public's view and members' view should be taken into account by the Administration before the commissioning of the consultancy study on parking policy.

Operational arrangements for the Hong-Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge and the Hong Kong Boundary Control Facilities

17. Referring to a few recent incidents of denial of entry into Macau, Dr Helena WONG expressed concern over the boundary control arrangements for the Hong-Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge. The Chairman said that he would liaise with the Security Bureau on the related issues.

Co-location of customs, immigration and quarantine arrangements of the Hong Kong section of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link

18. Dr Helena WONG was concerned over the issue of the co-location of customs, immigration and quarantine arrangements of the Hong Kong section of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link. She expressed that this Panel should be consulted on the detailed arrangements before its implementation.

IV. Any other business

Subcommittee on matters relating to railways

19. The Chairman said that Panel members would be invited to join the Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways ("the Subcommittee") for the 2017-18 session. Members were invited to note that current Panel members of the Subcommittee who had not given written notice to withdraw their membership would remain as members of the Subcommittee.

(Post-meeting note: The invitation for signification of membership for the Subcommittee was issued vide LC Paper No. LC Paper No. CB(4)37/17-18 on 13 October 2017. The first meeting of the Subcommittee for the 2017-2018 session was scheduled for Monday, 30 October 2017 at 2:00 pm.)

20. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 12: 29 pm

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