

Panel on Transport

**List of outstanding items for discussion
(Position as at 23 November 1998)**

(1) Mass Transit Railway Tseung Kwan O Extension

Members agreed to discuss this item at the forthcoming meeting to be held on 18 December 1998. Representatives of the MTRC would be invited to join the discussion on the item.

(2) Probationary Driving Licence Scheme for Motorcyclists

Item proposed by the Administration.

(3) Bus fare determination mechanism

A review on the bus fare determination mechanism is being conducted by the Administration. Members agreed to discuss this item at the regular meeting to be held on 22 January 1999.

(4) Review on the legislation against reckless driving and careless driving including the proposed dangerous driving

The Administration advised that they will submit a paper on this subject to the Panel in January 1999.

(5) Implementation programme of Inter-district Bus-only Lane (BOL) schemes and review of the BOL scheme between Aberdeen and Wanchai

The trial BOL scheme between Aberdeen and Wanchai was being implemented in stages since August 1997. Meanwhile, the Administration is studying the feasibility of other BOL schemes.

(6) The Ombudsman's report on taxi licensing system

The Ombudsman issued an executive summary of the Investigation Report on Taxi Licensing System in December 1997. The full report (English version only) is now available. The Transport Advisory Committee announced the findings and recommendations of its review of taxi licensing system on 28 July 1998. A copy of the review report was circulated to members vide LC Paper No. CB(1) 154/98-99.

(7) Safety measures for pedestrians

Following a series of fatal accidents involving pedestrians in 1997, members considered it necessary to review various measures to enhance pedestrian safety including segregation of pedestrians and vehicular traffic on main roads; coordination amongst various departments in providing pedestrian access; and investigations at traffic accident black spots and remedial actions.

(8) Tate's Cairn Tunnel Co. Ltd.'s financial re-structuring

The Tate's Cairn Tunnel Co. Ltd. has appointed financial consultants to examine the financial position of the company with a view to making recommendations on future financial arrangements.

(9) Development of infrastructures to tie in with housing projects

Members considered it necessary to monitor the progress of the development of appropriate infrastructures, particularly the transport infrastructure, to facilitate the development of housing projects. The Panel may consider the issue jointly with the Housing Panel.