

**立法會**  
**Legislative Council**

LC Paper No. CB(1)1416/02-03  
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**Bills Committee on  
Tung Chung Cable Car Bill**

**Meeting on  
Monday, 31 March 2003, at 8:30 am  
in the Chamber of the Legislative Council Building**

- Members present** : Hon James TIEN Pei-chun, GBS, JP (Chairman)  
Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, JP  
Hon SIN Chung-kai  
Hon Howard YOUNG, JP  
Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee, JP  
Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip
- Members absent** : Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan  
Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye, GBS, JP  
Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, JP
- Public officers attending** : Economic Development and Labour Bureau  
  
Mr Duncan PESCOD  
Deputy Commissioner for Tourism  
  
Mrs Erika HUI  
Assistant Commissioner for Tourism  
  
Miss Joan HUNG  
Administrative Officer (Tourism)

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Department of Justice

Mr John WILSON  
Consultant Counsel

Ms Carmen CHU  
Senior Government Counsel

Transport Department

Ms Carolina YIP  
Assistant Commissioner/Bus & Railway

Lands Department

Mr LAU Chi-ming  
District Lands Officer/Islands

Electrical and Mechanical Services Department

Mr LAW Yu-wing  
Chief Electrical and Mechanical Engineer

Territory Development Department

Mr Patrick TANG  
Senior Engineer

**Attendance by Invitation** : MTR Corporation Limited

Mr Russell BLACK  
Project Director

Mr Roger BAYLISS  
Project Manager

Mr Lawrence CHUNG  
Manager (Cable Car)

Ms Maggie SO  
External Affairs Manager

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**Clerk in attendance** : Mr Andy LAU  
Chief Assistant Secretary (1)2

**Staff in attendance** : Miss Connie FUNG  
Assistant Legal Adviser 3

Ms Debbie YAU  
Senior Assistant Secretary (1)1

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**I Confirmation of minutes and matters arising**

LC Paper No. CB(1)1212/02-03 - Minutes of meeting held on 17 March 2003

The minutes of the meeting held on 17 March 2003 were confirmed.

**II Meeting with the Administration**

(LC Paper No. CB(1)1213/02-03(01) - Information paper provided by the Administration in response to issues raised at the meeting on 17.3.2003;

LC Paper No. CB(3)329/02-03 - The Bill;

LC Paper No. CB(1)1311/02-03(01) - Presentation material provided by the MTR Corporation Limited;  
(*tabled and subsequently circulated on 1 April 2003*)

LC Paper No. CB(1)1311/02-03(02) - Letter dated 29 March 2003 from New Lantao Bus Co. (1973) Ltd to Hon Miriam LAU (English version only);  
(*tabled and subsequently circulated on 1 April 2003*)

LC Paper No. CB(1)1094/02-03(01) - Letter dated 5.3.2003 from Assistant Legal Adviser to the Administration; and

LC Paper No. CB(1)1094/02-03(02) - The Administration's reply dated 13.3.2003 to the Assistant Legal Adviser )

2. The Bills Committee deliberated (Index of proceedings attached at **Annex A**).

3. The Bills Committee requested the Administration to provide further information on the following to facilitate their consideration:

- (a) windshear and turbulence data in the vicinity of the Hong Kong International Airport;
- (b) the financial information on the Tung Chung Cable Car project; and

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- (c) terms of the Private Treaty Grant for the development of the Ngong Ping Theme Village by the MTR Corporation Limited.

Date of next meeting

- 4. The Bills Committee noted that the next meeting would be held on 4 April 2003 at 2:30 pm to receive public views and to continue discussion with the Administration on the Bill.

**III Any other business**

- 5. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 10:35 am.

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**Proceedings of the meeting of the Bills Committee on  
Tung Chung Cable Car Bill  
Monday, 31 March 2003, at 8:30 am  
in Chamber of the Legislative Council Building**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Subject(s)</b>	<b>Action Required</b>
<i>Agenda Item I - Confirmation of minutes and matters arising</i>			
000000 - 000109	Chairman	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcoming remarks</li> <li>• Confirmation of minutes of meeting on 17 March 2003</li> <li>• Written submission from New Lantao Bus Co. (1973) Ltd. (NLB) which was tabled at the meeting and circulated to members vide LC Paper No. CB(1)1311/02-03(02)</li> </ul>	
<i>Agenda Item II - Meeting with the Administration</i>			
000110 - 001916	Chairman MTRCL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation by MTR Corporation Limited (MTRCL) (A set of the presentation material was tabled at the meeting and circulated to members vide LC Paper No. CB(1)1311/02-03(01))</li> </ul>	
001917 - 003041	Ms Miriam LAU MTRCL Chairman Admin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Impact of the Tung Chung Cable Car on NLB, consultation with the bus company and the Administration's study on the impact of the cable car project on bus services in Lantau</li> <li>• Cable car selection</li> <li>• Additional tourists generated by the Tung Chung Cable Car project</li> <li>• Business partners of MTRCL for the development, management and operation of the Tung Chung Cable Car project</li> </ul>	
003042 - 003603	Mr Albert CHAN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Terms of the Private Treaty Grant for the development of the Ngong Ping Theme Village by MTRCL</li> <li>• Objection to the Tung Chung Cable Car project due to               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) its impact on existing public transport operators</li> <li>(b) its environmental impact</li> <li>(c) its financial viability and the likelihood of requiring cross-subsidy from MTRCL's rail operations for the cable car operations</li> <li>(d) its impact on the sustainability development of the local community due to changes in travelling pattern as a result of the restructuring of public transport development plan in the area</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	
003604 - 004840	Chairman MTRCL Admin Mr Albert CHAN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Benefits of the Tung Chung Cable Car project and business opportunities for the bus company and the local community</li> <li>• Development plan of the Ngong Ping Theme</li> </ul>	

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		Village by MTRCL • Compensation to Tai O business operators	
004841 - 005353	Mr Albert CHAN Chairman MTRCL	• Impact of windshear on the Tung Chung Cable Car system and safety consideration of the system	
005354 - 010657	Mr Howard YOUNG Chairman Admin	• Marketing strategy for the Tung Chung Cable Car project and collaboration with the travel and tourism industry to promote greater utilization • Roles of MTRCL and its business partner, Skyrail-ITM, in the operation and management of the system and experience of Skyrail-ITM in running similar facility elsewhere • Safety standards and requirements of the Tung Chung Cable Car project	
010658 - 011218	Mr SIN Chung-kai Admin Chairman MTRCL	• Views expressed by the Panel on Economic Services about the long lead time taken for the Project and general support of the implementation of the Tung Chung Cable Car project  • Introduction of one-day pass to facilitate visitors going to Lantau by different modes of transport and improve the financial viability of different transport operators	
011219 - 012359	Ir Dr Raymond HO MTRCL Chairman	• Evacuation arrangement during emergencies • Seating capacity of the cable car • Impact of the tower structure on the environment	
012360 - 013656	Mr Albert CHAN Chairman Admin MTRCL	• Appropriateness of examining the development plan of the Ngong Ping Theme Village together with the Bill • MTRCL confirmed that there was no question of cross-subsidy from MTRCL's rail operations for the cable car operation	
013657 - 014405	Ms Miriam LAU Chairman MTRCL	• Safety device and features of the cable car system and maintenance of the system to ensure safety • Operating hours, frequencies and modes of operation of the cable car system	
014406 - 015256	Chairman Admin	• Negotiation with Po Lin Monastery at this stage to ensure the continued opening of the Statue of Buddha to avoid disputes in future • Concerns expressed by Po Lin Monastery and the corresponding actions taken by the Administration	
015257 - 015447	Mr Howard YOUNG Chairman MTRCL	• Safety of the cable car operation in other parts of the world	
015448 - 015906	Chairman Mr Albert CHAN	• Date of next meeting: 4 April 2003 at 2:30 pm to consider Admin's paper (LC Paper No. CB(1)1213/02-03(01)) and to meet with deputations	The Admin to provide the requested information as per

<b>Time</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Subject(s)</b>	<b>Action Required</b>
		•Request for additional information to facilitate members' consideration of the Bill	paragraphs 3(a) - (c) of the minutes

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