

**Panel on Transport****List of follow-up actions**  
(position as at 23 April 2007)

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1. West Hong Kong Island Line, South Hong Kong Island Line and Route 4	25 February 2005	<p>At the meeting, the Panel passed the following three motions-</p> <p>“In view of the fact that the residents of the Western District of Hong Kong Island have been striving for the construction of the West Hong Kong Island Line (WIL) for as long as 20 years, this Panel urges the Government to expeditiously reach an agreement with the MTR Corporation Limited on the construction of WIL which will connect Sheung Wan with Kennedy Town, so as to fully meet the transport needs of the residents of Western District of Hong Kong Island.”</p> <p>“In order to resolve the long-standing transportation problems faced by both the Western and Southern Districts of Hong Kong Island, this Panel supports the early implementation of the railway and road network development plans in these areas, including a westward extension of the MTR Island Line to Kennedy Town at the earliest time possible, which must have stations located at Sai Ying Pun and the University, as</p>	<p>A Legislative Council Brief on the subject was issued to Members on 30 June 2005.</p> <p>The Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways received a briefing on the progress of WIL at its meeting on 30 March 2007.</p>

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		<p>well as the early construction of the South Island Line and Route 4. This Panel urges the Government to proactively discuss with the MTR Corporation Limited to work out a financial arrangement which is in the best interests of the public, so that the relevant works can commence soon, and there should be full consultation with local residents on the location and design of the new railway stations.”</p> <p>“This Panel urges the Government to expedite the comprehensive planning and implementation of tourism and commercial developments in the Southern District of Hong Kong Island, and also discuss with the MTR Corporation Limited the construction of a cost-effective South Island Line, so as to ensure that there will be adequate transport facilities to support the development of the Southern District and to cater for the transport needs of local residents.”</p>	
<p>2. Location of bus, taxi and public light bus pick up/drop-off points</p>	<p>23 June 2006</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to relay to the relevant officials for response in due course a member’s request that the Administration should make efforts to facilitate New Territories (NT) taxis’ access to the Choi Hung MTR Station at Ping Shek, by explaining to the urban taxi trade local</p>	<p>The Administration’s response was issued vide LC Paper No. CB(1)1316/06-07 on 4 April 2007.</p>

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		residents' strong demand for NT taxi service.	
3. Private bill proposed by Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo	15 December 2006	<p>The Administration was requested to take the following actions -</p> <p>(a) To provide an interim report on the outcome of the consultation with the transport trade on the proposed installation of reversing aids and other measures to enhance safe reversing at the Panel meeting in May 2007;</p> <p>(b) To provide information on the ways to enhance reversing safety examined by a sub-committee under the Road Safety Council; and</p> <p>(c) To speed up the related work on introducing additional measures to combat drink driving and enhance road safety, consult the motoring associations and transport trades on the related matters and thereafter start to draft the relevant legislation.</p>	<p>Report from the Administration is awaited.</p> <p>Information from the Administration is awaited.</p> <p>Information from the Administration is awaited.</p>
4. Proposed fare increase by Hong Kong & Kowloon Ferry Holding Ltd.(HKK)	26 January 2007	<p>The Administration/HKK was requested to take the following actions –</p> <p>(a) HKK to provide the utilization rates of</p>	<p>Information from HKK is</p>

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		<p>fast ferries and ordinary ferries deployed for its licensed ferry services for Lamma Island (the ferry services) if possible; and</p> <p>(b) The Administration to provide details on the non-fare box revenue to be generated from the new measures which it planned to introduce to ensure the continued operation of the ferry services together with the relevant implementation timetable.</p>	<p>awaited.</p> <p>The Administration's response was issued vide LC Paper No. CB(1)1409/06-07(04) on 23 April 2007.</p>
<p>5. Traffic and transport arrangements for the commissioning of Hong Kong – Shenzhen Western Corridor and Sheung Shui to Lok Ma Chau Spur Line</p>	<p>26 January 2007</p>	<p>(a) The Administration was requested to provide a progress report on the motion on "Expediently improving the traffic arrangements in the western and northwestern parts of the New Territories" passed by the Council on 8 March 2006.</p>	<p>The Administration's response was issued vide LC Paper No. CB(1)1409/06-07(03) on 23 April 2007.</p>
	<p>2 March 2007</p>	<p>(b) The Administration was requested to consider and respond to the views and suggestions raised at the meeting.</p>	<p>The Administration's response was issued vide LC Paper No. CB(1)1409/06-07(03) on 23 April 2007.</p>

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6. Safety of franchised bus operation	2 March 2007	The Kowloon Motor Bus Company (1933) Limited/Long Win Bus Company Limited (KMB/LWB) agreed to report to the Panel in due course on the work plan and findings of the special task force designated by it to follow up on the bus accidents involving KMB/LWB; and	Response from KMB/LWB is awaited.
	23 March 2007	<p>At the meeting, the Panel passed the following motion –</p> <p>"That as a number of franchised bus accidents involving passenger casualties have occurred in recent years, this Panel urges the Government to immediately implement measures to enhance the safety of franchised bus operation, which should include the introduction of legislation to require bus passengers to wear seat belts, and requirement of franchised bus operators to install seat belts on their buses and to improve working schedule and rest-break arrangements for their bus captains, etc to ensure the safety of bus passengers; at the same time, this Panel also expresses dissatisfaction with and regret over the Transport Department's failure to accept members' views."</p>	

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		<p>The Administration was requested to respond to the above motion. The Administration was also requested to take the following actions -</p> <p>(a) The Administration to examine with the bus companies possible interim measures to enhance the safety of exposed seats, including the suggestions to install additional safety devices like handrails, or even to restrict passengers from sitting on those particularly dangerous exposed seats such as the middle seat at the last row or at the front row on the upper deck; and</p> <p>(b) The Administration to follow up with the bus companies on the feasibility of introducing administrative measures to restrict passengers from sitting on exposed seats at the upper deck of buses before the full scale implementation of the said interim measures. The bus companies were also requested to provide a written response within a week on the time required for examining the said administrative measures.</p>	<p>Response from the Administration is awaited.</p>
<p>7. Measures to enhance safety of public light bus and taxi operations</p>	<p>23 March 2007</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to report back on the various issues covered in the Administration's paper for this item two</p>	<p>Response from the Administration is awaited.</p>

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		months after the meeting.	

Note: The Administration was reminded on 10 April 2007 to provide the information requested by members.

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