Bills Committee on Peak Tramway (Amendment) Bill 2015

List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion at the meeting on 29 June 2015

The Administration is requested to consider/provide the following information –

- (a) regarding implementing the proposed mandatory lease arrangement under the exit mechanism by non-legislative means to bind the new operator, consideration should be given to stipulating the requirement in the operating right for the new operator to rent the "essential premises" at market rent which should be subject to the same dispute resolution mechanism set out in the Bill;
- (b) on mandatory lease of "essential premises" under proposed section 11B, the provisions should be set out in such a way for the market to come into play before the mechanism is triggered under the order to be made by the Chief Executive ("CE") in Council, with details on the circumstances pertaining to the application of proposed section 11B(1);
- (c) on the relevant arrangement in case the peak tramway service needs to be suspended for a certain period of time for redevelopment/upgrading purpose;
- (d) in respect of an application for operating right for peak tramway service under proposed section 2C, whether provision(s) should be added to stipulate the period of time within which the Administration should submit recommendation to the CE in Council in relation to granting the operating right or otherwise, and notifying the applicant about the outcome to give business certainty; and
- (e) considering the following textual amendments:
 - (i) adding "service" after "maintain the tramway" in proposed section 8A(a) and (c); and
 - (ii) highlighting the element of "safety" in proposed section 8E(1)(b) when CE in Council terminates the operating right granted to the company.

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