

**Panel on Transport**

**List of outstanding items for discussion**

(position as at 8 October 2014)

<b>Items</b>	<b>Proposed timing for discussion</b>
<p><b>1. Public Transport Strategy Study ("PTSS") – Workplan</b></p> <p>Proposed by the Administration. The Administration plans to brief the Panel on the workplan of the study.</p>	November 2014
<p><b>2. "Universal Accessibility" Programme</b></p> <p>Proposed by the Administration. The Administration plans to seek support for funding application for the Financial Year 2015-2016 for the block allocation 6101TX for the implementation of the "Universal Accessibility" Programme.</p>	November 2014
<p><b>3. Proposed extension of one supernumerary post in the Railway Development Office of the Highways Department ("HyD")</b></p> <p>Proposed by the Administration. The Administration plans to seek support for HyD's application to extend one directorate post to continue the implementation of the Hong Kong section of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link project.</p>	November 2014
<p><b>4. Proposed revision to transport-related fees and charges (Batch 2)</b></p> <p>Proposed by the Administration. The Administration plans to consult the Panel on the Government's proposed revision to the fees and charges of transport-related services.</p> <p>The Panel last discussed the Batch 1 revision exercise on 17 January 2014.</p>	Q1 2015

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**5. Comprehensive Transport Study**

Proposed by Mr Frankie YICK at the meeting on 16 October 2012. He considered that the Third Comprehensive Transport Study ("CTS") was conducted by the Administration way back in 1997. Due to changes in population and travelling pattern over the period of time, the Administration should conduct the Fourth CTS.

The Administration has indicated that it would not carry out another CTS, but would conduct a PTSS. The Administration plans to brief the Panel on the workplan for PTSS in November 2014. This item is proposed to be deleted.

**6. Bus route rationalization plan**

Late 2014/  
Early 2015

Proposed by Mr Michael TIEN at the meeting on 10 October 2013. Mr TIEN requested to discuss the effectiveness of the bus route rationalization and the Administration's latest plan.

According to the Administration in October 2014, the subject would be covered under the topical study on "Franchised bus service – lost trip management" under the PTSS. The progress of route rationalisation will also be covered.

**7. Car parking spaces in urban areas**

To be confirmed

Proposed by Dr KWOK Ka-ki and Mr Frankie YICK at the meeting on 10 October 2013. Dr KWOK and Mr YICK requested to discuss the adequacy of car parking spaces in urban areas, in particular those for heavy and large vehicles.

**8. Review of the operation of public light buses ("PLB")**

To be confirmed

Proposed by Mr CHAN Han-pan at the meeting on 10 October 2013. Mr CHAN requested to discuss the operation of PLB, including its role and the need to rationalize the PLB routes.

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<p>According to the Administration in October 2014, some topical issues related to minibus services would be covered under the PTSS. The Administration plans to brief the Panel on its workplan on PTSS in November 2014.</p>	
<p><b>9. Provision of public transport support facilities after the commissioning of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge</b></p>	To be confirmed
<p>Proposed by Mr CHAN Han-pan at the meeting on 10 October 2013. Mr CHAN requested to discuss the provision of public transport support facilities after the commissioning of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge.</p>	
<p><b>10. Occupational safety protection of professional drivers</b></p>	To be confirmed
<p>Proposed by Mr TANG Ka-piu in May 2013. Mr TANG requested to discuss measures to enhance the occupational safety protection of professional drivers.</p>	
<p>At the meeting of 25 March 2014, Mr LEE Cheuk-yan requested the Administration to update the Panel the progress on the implementation of providing rest time and other safety measures for bus drivers. Mr Albert CHAN Wai-yip also requested for information on the provision of rest place and toilet facilities at bus terminals.</p>	
<p><b>11. Transport arrangements for cross-boundary students</b></p>	To be confirmed
<p>Proposed by Mr TANG Ka-piu in August 2013. Mr TANG requested to discuss the improvement measures of transport arrangements for cross-boundary students.</p>	
<p><b>12. Measures to facilitate inclusion of PLB in the Public Transport Fare Concession Scheme for the Elderly and Eligible Persons with Disabilities ("the PTF Concession Scheme")</b></p>	To be confirmed
<p>Proposed by Mr TANG Ka-piu at the meeting on 10 October 2013. Mr TANG requested to discuss how</p>	

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to solve the technical problems involving PLBs to facilitate extension of the PTF Concession Scheme to PLBs, which are not currently covered by the Scheme.

(Note: The Chief Executive announced in his 2014 Policy Address that the PTF Concession Scheme would be extended to green minibuses in phases starting from the first quarter of 2015.)

<b>13.</b>	<b>Central Kowloon Route</b>	To be confirmed
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Proposed by Mr CHAN Kam-lam. Mr CHAN requested the Administration to report the progress of the Central Kowloon Route project to the Panel.

<b>14.</b>	<b>Certificate of Particulars of Motor Vehicle</b>	To be confirmed
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To propose legislative amendments for improving the arrangements for issuing Certificate of Particulars of Motor Vehicle in order to enhance the privacy protection for registered owners whose particulars are kept in the register and ensure that the personal data of registered vehicle owners contained in the register is properly used.

The item was last discussed at the Panel meeting on 11 July 2011.

<b>15.</b>	<b>Cycling safety and consultancy study on cycling networks and parking facilities in existing new towns</b>	To be confirmed
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The Administration commissioned a consultancy study to review the existing cycle track networks in nine existing new towns. The study would identify deficiencies of the existing cycle track networks, propose remedial measures for improvements, and recommend an implementation programme for the proposed improvement works. The Administration plans to brief the Panel of the findings of the consultancy study upon its completion.

At the Panel meetings on 7 November 2011 and 16 October 2012 respectively, members considered that the issue of "cycling safety" should be revisited by the Panel and the Administration should consider

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formulating a policy to promote the use of bicycles as a means of transport in Hong Kong.

**16. Review of safety of vessels carrying passengers**

To be confirmed

Proposed by Mr WONG Kwok-hing at the meeting on 22 February 2013. Mr WONG requested to discuss the installation of water-tight doors on vessels carrying passengers; and the requirements of the Marine Department regarding safety measures on these vessels.

The Administration responded vide LC Paper No. CB(1)603/12-13(02) that it would review the regulatory system and the relevant laws with a view to enhancing safety of the local passenger-carrying vessels operating in Hong Kong waters. It would also, as appropriate, follow up on any relevant recommendations made by the Commission of Inquiry into the Collision of Vessels near Lamma Island on 1 October 2012.

The Administration further advised in October 2014 that it would continue to follow up the matters at the Panel on Economic Development ("ED Panel") and would provide Members with updates on the latest position, and the relevant ED Panel discussion sessions will be opened to all LegCo members.

**17. Scope of assistance provided under the Traffic Accident Victims Assistance ("TAVA") Scheme**

To be confirmed

Proposed by Mr WONG Kwok-hing at the meeting on 16 October 2012. He requested the Administration to review the scope of assistance provided under the TAVA Scheme as it did not cover sea transport accidents.

The Administration responded vide LC Paper No. CB(1)1410/12-13(02) on 27 June 2013 that the Marine Department has engaged a consultant to study the feasibility and technicalities for setting up a Marine Accident Victims Assistance Fund. The study commenced in April 2013 and is scheduled for completion by the end of 2013.

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At the Panel meeting on 10 October 2013, Mr TANG Ka-piu considered that the amount and timeliness of releasing assistance under the TAVA Scheme should also be reviewed.

The Administration advised in October 2014 that it would continue to follow up the matters at the ED Panel and would provide Members with updates on the latest position, and the relevant ED Panel discussion sessions will be opened to all LegCo members.

**18. Replacement of mechanical ventilation fans and associated equipment at the Diamond Hill station public transport interchange**

Proposed by the Administration. The Administration plans to seek support for the funding application for replacement of mechanical ventilation fans and associated equipment at the Diamond Hill station public transport interchange.

According to the latest information from the Administration, it has already completed the improvement of the ventilation system by a more cost-effective method. This item is proposed to be deleted.

**19. Use of mobile applications for providing taxi service using private cars and limousines by overseas companies**

Proposed by Mr Frankie YICK at the meeting on 18 July 2014. Mr YICK was concerned about the impact of the use of a mobile application for providing taxi service using private cars and limousines by overseas companies on taxi trade business.

According to the Administration in October 2014, it will continue to closely monitor the use of mobile applications for providing transport services having regard to the need to strike the right balance among road safety, social needs and the use of technology. It is an on-going task and the Administration will report to the Panel as and when there is any significant development.

The Administration's response to Mr Frankie YICK's letter (LC Paper No. CB(1)1910/13-14(01) was issued vide LC Paper No. CB(1)1963/13-14(01) on 2 September 2014.

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This item is proposed to be deleted.

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