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Dear Ms Ng,

**Panel on Transport – 2017 Policy Address and Policy Agenda  
Transport-related Policy Initiatives of the Transport and Housing Bureau**

**Supplementary Information**

As requested by the Panel, we provide supplementary information in relation to the consultancy study on improving the cycle track network and facilities in the nine new towns<sup>1</sup>.

The Government is actively fostering a “bicycle-friendly” environment and enhancing ancillary facilities. The Transport Department (“TD”) engaged a consultancy in 2013 to study ways to improve the cycling facilities in the existing nine towns located in New Territories. The study has been substantially completed.

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<sup>1</sup> The existing nine new towns are Shatin/Ma On Shan, Tai Po, Sheung Shui/Fanling, Yuen Long, Tin Shui Wai, Tuen Mun, Tsuen Wan, Tung Chung and Tseung Kwan O

The consultants identified and proposed improvement to around 900 locations. The improvement measures concerned include providing more public bicycle parking spaces; providing additional safety facilities at some sharp bends, steep ramps and pedestrian crossings; and installing collapsible plastic bollards for segregating two-way cycle tracks. The first round of improvement works, involving around 100 locations, commenced in phases in 2016 and is expected to be completed by the end of 2018. As for the remaining 800-odd locations which are identified as requiring improvement, the TD is reviewing the resources required and work arrangements, and plans to entrust the planning, design and construction of the relevant works to the Highways Department.

On providing appropriate bicycle parking spaces, the aforesaid consultancy study conducted by the TD has recommended the provision of a total of around 7 000 additional bicycle parking spaces at 290 locations, amongst which 1 000 spaces are expected to be available in phases by 2018. In addition, the TD has already updated the Transport Planning and Design Manual by including new bicycle rack designs such as “double-deck parking system” and “1-up-1down parking rack” as standard designs, to facilitate the installation of such racks at appropriate locations so as to provide more bicycle parking spaces.

The consultants are currently preparing a summary report on the outcome of the study, which is expected to be completed at the end of this year. We will send the summary report to the Panel for information as soon as it is completed.

Yours sincerely,

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