

Panel on Development

**Motion on
"Tung Chung New Town Extension
Site formation and infrastructure works, and
the District Cooling System for Tung Chung East area"
passed at the meeting held on 24 November 2020**

The Legislative Council Panel on Development passed the motion moved by Hon Michael TIEN Puk-sun at the meeting on 24 November 2020 :

" Given that the population of Tung Chung New Town will soon reach 180 000, in order to promote local employment for residents in the district and alleviate the congestion problem of Tung Chung Line, this Panel urges the Government to study the construction of a new light rail system, so as to build a liveable city in Tung Chung by connecting Tung Chung East, Tung Chung, Cathay City, airport terminals, AsiaWorld-Expo and the artificial island at the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities with a circular line."

The Administration's response to the motion is as follows:

2. The suggestion of a light rail system within Tung Chung and adjoining area was also discussed at the meeting of Legislative Council Subcommittee on Matters Related to Railways held on 5 May 2020. Members suggested that MTR Corporation Limited (MTRCL) and Airport Authority Hong Kong (AAHK) be requested to consider developing an "automated intelligent light rail system" linking Tung Chung East Station, Tung Chung Station, Cathay Pacific City, airport terminals, SKYCITY, AsiaWorld-Expo and the Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities (HKBCF) Island of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge (HZMB). As the MTRCL and AAHK were conducting a joint study on transport facilities within the area of HKBCF Island, Airport Island and Tung Chung, the suggestion on the light rail system had been forwarded to MTRCL for consideration.

3. As recently announced in the Policy Address 2020 by the Chief Executive, AAHK would take forward the Airport City Link project connecting the SKYCITY and the HKBCF Island by constructing a bridge system and by applying autonomous transportation system to strengthen the overall transportation network and capacity, thereby uniting the SKYCITY, the HZMB Hong Kong Port and the HKIA as one. In the next move, the AAHK plans to extend the autonomous transportation system of the Airport City Link to Tung Chung Town Centre and optimise the roads along the eastern coast of the Airport Island for the provision of a comprehensive and environmentally-friendly transport link connecting Tung Chung Town Centre, the Airport Island and the HKBCF Island.

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