

**Panel on Transport**

**List of outstanding items for discussion**  
(position as at 10 June 2022)

<b>Items</b>	<b>Proposed timing for discussion</b>
1. <b>Legislative Proposals for Enhancing Road Safety</b>	July 2022
<p>The Administration will consult the Panel on the legislative proposals for restricting the use of mobile communication devices by drivers while driving, installation and wearing requirement of child restraint devices and seat belt, and the wearing of safety helmet.</p>	
2. <b>Legislative Proposal for Establishing the Regulatory Regime for Autonomous Vehicles</b>	July 2022
<p>The Administration will consult the Panel on the legislative proposal for establishing a regulatory regime for autonomous vehicles to enable wider and more flexible trial and use under the Road Traffic Ordinance (Cap. 374).</p>	
3. <b>Constructing a vehicular bridge near Kwong Fuk Bridge in Tai Po</b>	To be confirmed

Mr CHAN Hak-kan wrote to the Panel on 24 January 2022 requesting the submission of the funding proposal of the above project to the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council as early as practicable. The letter was issued to members vide LC Paper No.CB(4)20/2022 on 25 January 2022.

The Administration's response to the letter was issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(4)246/2022(01) on 12 April 2022.

4. **Update on car parking initiatives**

Q1 2023  
To be confirmed

The Administration will update the Panel on the latest situation of car parking initiatives, including the implementation of automated parking system ("APS"). At the meeting on 25 January 2022, Mr CHAN Han-pan suggested the Administration to provide the latest update on car parking initiatives and measures to address the problem of insufficient parking spaces. Ms JoePHY CHAN proposed the discussion of the adoption of APS in all 18 districts and for use by commercial vehicles such as non-franchised buses and coaches. Sharing the concern of the acute shortage of parking spaces for commercial vehicles, Mr YIU Pak-leung proposed to discuss measures to increase parking spaces for tourist coaches.

5. **Construction of transport facilities to facilitate tourism development in Hong Kong**

To be confirmed

Mr YIU Pak-leung proposed the discussion of the planning and construction of transport facilities to help promote tourism in Hong Kong. He also suggested the discussion of measures to enhance the operation of non-franchised buses.

6. **Infrastructure-led development and construction of large-scale infrastructural projects**

Q4 2022  
To be confirmed

The Administration will consult the Panel on "Strategic Study on Railways and Major Roads

beyond 2030”. The Administration has announced the planning and construction of a number of large-scale infrastructural projects using the infrastructure-led development concept. Examples would be the artificial islands in the Central Waters under the Lantau Tomorrow Vision and the Northern Metropolis Development Strategy. At the meeting on 25 January 2022, Mr Tony TSE suggested the discussion of the planning and development of road networks to tie-in with the infrastructure-led development concept.

Mr TANG Ka-piu suggested discussing the involvement of Mainland contractors during the investigation and planning stages of these infrastructural projects.

Mr Andrew LAM pointed out that existing road networks within Tung Chung and the Lantau Island might not have adequate capacity to cater for the anticipated population growth brought about by the Lantau Tomorrow Vision.

Sharing similar concerns, Mr CHAN Hok-fung proposed discussing the provision of more public transport services serving the anticipated population growth brought about by the Tung Chung New Town Extension. He also suggested discussing the construction of road networks connecting Tung Chung with Lantau South and Tai O.

7. **Use of clean energy by public transport sector**

To be confirmed

Mr TANG Ka-piu proposed at the meeting on 25 January 2022 the discussion of the Administration’s strategy to encourage the use of clean energy by public transport, such as the use

of electric vehicles by taxis, buses and public light buses. At the work plan meeting on 9 February 2022, both the Chairman and Deputy Chairman considered that this strategic issue would fall into the scopes of work of the Transport and Housing Bureau (“THB”) and the Environment Bureau, for instance, the installation of charging facilities and so on. The Chairman would consult the Chairman of the Panel on Environmental Affairs as to how to take this issue forward.

8. **Control of noise pollution by vehicles at night time** To be confirmed

Mr CHAN Han-pan proposed at the meeting on 25 January 2022 the discussion of measures to control excessive noise produced by vehicles, in particular racing cars, at night time. At the work plan meeting on 9 February 2022, the Chairman agreed to refer the subject matter to the Environment Bureau for an initial response before considering further actions.

9. **Measures to alleviate the ferry fare burden of residents living on outlying islands** To be confirmed

In view that residents living on outlying islands rely heavily on ferry services for commuting, Mr CHAN Hok-fung proposed the discussion of measures to alleviate the ferry fare burden of residents using outlying island ferry services.

10. **Measures to improve road network and tackle traffic congestion in the New Territories** To be confirmed

Members had all along been calling the Administration to take proactive measures to

solve traffic congestion in the New Territories. Mr LAU Kwok-fan suggested in October 2018 discussion on the long term measures for improving the traffic flow of New Territories East. Ms Elizabeth QUAT also expressed concern about transport planning of Ma On Shan. Expressing his particular concern about the worsening traffic condition in Yuen Long, Mr Steven HO suggested discussing measures to tackle traffic congestion in the New Territories West.

Mr CHAN Hak-kan wrote to the Panel Chairman in November 2020 expressing concern on the congestion problem of the Tolo Highway and proposing to discuss the construction of a Sha Tin Bypass. He reiterated his stance at the meeting on 25 January 2022. Mr Dominic LEE proposed the construction of Grassy Hill Tunnel connecting Tai Po and Tai Wai to divert the heavy traffic from Tolo Highway. He also proposed the construction of a trunk road connecting Tai Po and Tsuen Wan to alleviate traffic of Shing-Mun Tunnel. Mr Stanley LI proposed discussing the immediate waive of the toll of Tseung Kwan O Tunnel to help alleviate congestion problem at the toll plaza, and called for expediting the construction of Trunk 4. Ir Dr LO Wai-kwok opined that the Administration should adopt a proactive approach with better planning in the construction of large-scale infrastructural projects and suggested discussing measures to improve the overall road network in the New Territories East.

11. **Expediting the infrastructural transport development in the Northern district to facilitate closer integration between Hong Kong and Shenzhen**

To be confirmed

Mr YIM Kong wrote to the Panel on 5 April 2022 (LC Paper No. CB(4)232/2022(01)) proposing the Panel to discuss the timetable and development plan of the Administration in taking forward the infrastructural transport development in the Northern district, including the conduct of feasibility study of the cross-boundary railway connecting Hung Shui Kui and Qianhai of Shenzhen, transport demand forecast taking into account population intake of Northern district and movement of personnel between the two places as well as connectivity between the Northern district and other parts of Hong Kong. The Panel agreed to put the matter under the Panel's list of outstanding items for discussion.

**12. Proposals on revisions of penalty levels of certain traffic offences under Fixed Penalty (Criminal Proceedings) Ordinance (Cap. 240) and Road Traffic Ordinance (Cap. 374)**

To be confirmed

The Administration will consult the Panel on the revisions of penalty levels of certain serious traffic offences such as careless driving, dangerous driving, drink driving and drug driving under Cap. 374 and the fixed penalty levels of the scheduled traffic offences under Cap. 240, such as speeding, etc.

**13. Construction of a fourth cross-harbour tunnel**

To be confirmed

On 10 October 2018, Dr CHIANG Lai-wan submitted a letter to the Panel Chairman proposing to discuss the feasibility of constructing a fourth cross-harbour tunnel.

14. **Improvement of Lion Rock Tunnel** To be confirmed

The Administration will brief the Panel on the planning of rehabilitating the Lion Rock Tunnel and increasing its capacity.

15. **Congestion problem in Causeway Bay and Happy Valley** To be confirmed

Mr Paul TSE wrote to the Panel Chairman on 29 November 2019 expressing concern about the persistent congestion problem in Causeway Bay and Happy Valley. He raised that the Administration had used traffic data of more than two years ago in assessing the impact of a development project on Caroline Hill Road to the adjacent road sections, and that the conduct of driving lessons and road tests in the regions had further aggravated the problem.

The Administration has advised that the item is related to localized traffic issues. It will update the Panel on the measures that have been taken and suggest to remove this item from the List. At the work plan meeting on 9 February 2022, the Chairman agreed and instructed the Clerk to write to THB requesting a written reply as soon as possible, and then remove the item.

16. **Measures to tackle traffic congestion in Kowloon East** To be confirmed

Mr Wilson OR wrote to the Panel Chairman in January 2021 expressing concern on the problem of traffic congestion in Kowloon East. He suggested the Administration putting in place short, medium and long term measures to ease traffic congestion in the area.

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