

**Southern District Council  
Traffic and Transport Committee**

**Public Transport Re-organisation Plans to tie in with the  
Commissioning of the West Island Line and South Island Line (East)**

**Progress Report**

**Purpose**

This paper informs Members on the consultation progress concerning the public transport re-organisation plans (“PT Plans”) prepared by the Transport Department (“TD”) to tie in with the commissioning of the West Island Line (“WIL”) and South Island Line (East) (“SIL(E)”) and the subsequent arrangements.

**Objectives of the PT Plans**

2. With the successive completion of the WIL and the SIL(E) in 2014 and 2015 respectively, not only will fast and convenient services be provided to residents in the Central and Western District and the Southern District on the Hong Kong Island, the public transport capacity of the districts concerned will also be greatly enhanced. The proposed PT Plans to be implemented to tie in with the commissioning of the new railways are aimed to achieve better inter-modal co-ordination to cope with changes in the passengers’ travelling pattern, provide feeder services to ensure good connectivity of the new railways, enhance the efficiency of the public transport network to alleviate traffic congestion and improve air quality, and to maintain healthy competition among public transport modes so that commuters will have suitable public transport choices.

**Public Consultation**

3. At the meeting of the Traffic and Transport Committee of the Southern District Council (“SDC T&TC”) held on 15 July 2013, the TD introduced the highlights of the PT Plans. Meetings were also subsequently

held with Members and stakeholders to allow candid exchanges on the PT Plans, strengthen communication and listen to their views.

4. The TD understands the concerns of the local community and members of the public over the PT Plans. Therefore, apart from consulting the SDC T&TC, we have arranged four Area Consultative Forums to be held between late September and mid October this year in the Southern District, with a view to introducing and explaining the details of the PT Plans to them and listening to their views directly. Details of the Area Consultative Forums are as follows:

Date:	25 September 2013 (Wednesday)
Time:	7:30 p.m.
Venue:	Aberdeen Kai-fong Welfare Association Social Service Community Centre
Related Areas:	Tin Wan, Aberdeen, Shek Pai Wan, Wong Chuk Hang, Shum Wan

Date:	26 September 2013 (Thursday)
Time:	7:30 p.m.
Venue:	Wah Kwai Community Centre
Related Areas:	Pok Fu Lam, Chi Fu, Wah Fu, Wah Kwai

Date:	2 October 2013 (Wednesday)
Time:	7:30 p.m.
Venue:	Stanley Community Hall
Related Areas:	Repulse Bay, Stanley

Date:	15 October 2013 (Tuesday)
Time:	7:30 p.m.
Venue:	Ap Lei Chau Community Hall
Related Areas:	Ap Lei Chau

5. To promote these Area Consultative Forums, the TD will send out letters and posters to over 800 local units and organisations (including District Councillors, Area Committees, Incorporated Owners Associations, Mutual Aid Committees and other local representatives) in early September 2013, informing them of the arrangements of the forums and extending invitation to

local representatives and residents to the forums. District Councillors and Members are also welcome to the forums to express their views on the PT Plans.

6. For each forum, we will highlight the proposed PT Plans specified for the districts concerned. That said, if the participants are interested in the PT Plans for other districts, we are most willing to offer explanations and listen to their views.

7. Meanwhile, the TD will continue to listen to the views of local residents and stakeholders on the PT Plans. Afterwards, we will consolidate the views collected during the consultation period, discuss with the relevant public transport operators and liaise with stakeholders, and make appropriate adjustments to the proposed plans where necessary before submitting the revised PT Plans to the SDC T&TC for further discussion. We aim to finalise the plans before the first quarter of 2014.

8. Members are invited to take note of the paper.

**Transport Department**  
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