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Dear Mr Zimmerman,

# Missing and Sub-standard pedestrian connections in the Eastern District

Thank you for your letter dated 26.5.2014 requesting for improvement of the pedestrian walking environment and pedestrian safety in the Eastern District. Please find our reply as follow:

#### Location 1 – Electric Road

To maintain sufficient width for the two-lane traffic on Electric Road, we have reservation to your suggestion of narrowing of existing carriageway in order to widen the footpath. We will nevertheless, liaise with the relevant parties about setting back the existing building line during re-development of the buildings at the concerned section of Electric Road.

#### Location 2 – Shu Kuk Street

We propose to remove some railings at the concerned location to facilitate the pick up/drop off of passengers for the second bus at the concerned bus stop. The proposal is subject to the result of inter-departmental circulation and local consultation.

### Location 3 – Kam Ping Street / King's Road junction

We propose to replace the existing railings at the subject junction by "Type II Railings at Junctions and Crossings" to enhance the sightline of vehicles turning from King's Road to Kam Ping Street. The proposal is subject to the result of inter-departmental circulation

and local consultation. Besides, we will inform the Lands Department and Food and Environmental Hygiene Department to remove the banners hanging on the existing railings at the subject junction to improve the visibility of the junction.

### Location 4 – King's Road / Finnie Street junction

We have issued a work request form to the Highways Department for the construction of a traffic signal controlled crossing across King's Road near Finnie Street to facilitate pedestrians accessing to/from the tram station at the concerned location.

### Location 5 – Shu Kuk Street / Marble Road junction

There is a cautionary crossing across Shu Kuk Street near Marble Road. To further enhance the pedestrian safety when crossing road, we propose to replace the existing railings by "Type II Railings at Junctions and Crossings" and lay "Look Left / Look Right" road marking at the subject crossing. We also propose to improve the junction layout at the concerned junction in order to enhance the sightline of vehicles turning from Marble Road to Shu Kuk Street. The proposal is subject to the result of inter-departmental circulation and local consultation.

## Location 6 – Tin Hau Temple Road / King's Road junction

To enhance pedestrian safety when crossing road, we propose to replace the existing railings at the subject junction by "Type II Railings at Junctions and Crossings" for a better sightline of the vehicles turning from King's Road into Tin Hau Temple Road and refurbish the "Look Left / Look Right" road marking to direct pedestrians to look out for approaching traffic.

#### Location 7 – Tong Shui Road

Having conducted a site inspection, we consider that the width of existing footpath along the concerned section of Tong Shui Road is sufficient for pedestrian flow. In order to enhance the pedestrian walking environment, we will inform the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department to deter the illegal stockpiling of goods along the footpath of Tong Shui Road.

# <u>Location 8 – Tung Lo Wan Road / King's Road junction</u>

There are traffic signal controlled crossings in the vicinity of the subject junction for pedestrians crossing Causeway Road and Kings' Road. In view of your suggestion of providing an addition MTR Entrance at Tung Lo Wan Road for Tin Hau Station, we will refer your suggestion to the MTR Corporation Ltd.

# Location 9 - Braemar Hill Road

The concerned location is close to the junction of Braemar Hill Road and Wai Tsui Crescent where has minibus stops and vehicular access to existing buildings. In view of the above site constraints, we are studying the feasibility of the addition of a pedestrian crossing at the appropriate location near the concerned location to facilitate and channelize the pedestrian to cross the road safely.

Location 10 - 12 – Model Lane & its junctions with King's Road and Tsat Tsz Mui Road We are studying the feasibility of the traffic improvement scheme for the subject locations, including the widening of footpath at Model Lane outside AIA Hong Kong Tower (Stanhope House), the provision of traffic signal controlled crossing across Model Lane near King's Road, the improvement of junction layout at the junction of King's Road and Model Lane, and widening of the cautionary crossing at Tsat Tsz Mui Road near Model Lane. We consider that the above improvement works will enhance pedestrian safety when crossing road and improve the pedestrian walking environment at the subject locations.

Please be assured that we will keep monitoring the traffic situation at the concerned location and will work closely with the concerned district councilors for better pedestrian walking environment and pedestrian safety. Thank you for your opinion on the traffic matters of Eastern District.

Yours faithfully,

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