

TAC briefed on smart mobility initiatives

The following is issued on behalf of the Transport Advisory Committee:

The Transport Advisory Committee (TAC) was briefed today (July 30) on the smart mobility initiatives relating to road transport.

The Transport Department (TD) has recently published a Smart Mobility Roadmap for Hong Kong (the Roadmap) which integrates the five key objectives of smart mobility, namely Safe, Informative, Green, Mobile and Accessible, into the "ΣSIGMA" vision and sets out the smart mobility strategy comprising three interrelated key dimensions, namely Smart Transport Infrastructure, Data Sharing and Analytics and Applications and Services.

The TAC Chairman, Professor Stephen Cheung, said, "Members note that the TD is taking forward a wide range of specific projects covered by the Roadmap, and would update the Roadmap in a timely manner having regard to the latest technological advances and the ever-changing environment of Hong Kong. Members welcome the Government's proposals to leverage technology for enhancing traffic management, alleviating road traffic congestion and optimising the use of limited road space in Hong Kong.

"Members support the Government's various smart mobility initiatives, and in particular welcome the TD's proposals to conduct trials on the application of geo-fencing technology on vehicles in 2020 for enhancing operational safety of franchised buses, and the roll out of pilot projects to assess the feasibility and applicability of different types of automated parking systems. These trials facilitate better understanding of the feasibility of such technologies for wider application in the long term," Professor Cheung added.