

LegCo to debate motion on vote of no confidence in President of LegCo

The following is issued on behalf of the Legislative Council Secretariat:

The Legislative Council (LegCo) will hold a meeting tomorrow (July 11) at 11am in the Chamber of the LegCo Complex. During the meeting, Members will debate a motion on the vote of no confidence in the President of LegCo.

The motion, to be moved by Professor Joseph Lee, states: "That this Council has no confidence in the President of the Legislative Council, Andrew Leung."

Mr Michael Tien will move a motion on restructuring the governance of MTR Corporation Limited. The motion states: "That the MTR Corporation Limited (MTRCL) has built and operates 11 railways in Hong Kong, and in the future, seven new railway projects will most likely be assigned to MTRCL; the people of Hong Kong heavily rely on the railway system as a mode of transport, but in recent years, there have been strong views in society on the service quality, corporate governance and supervision of works of MTRCL; the Hong Kong SAR Government as the majority shareholder of MTRCL has a major responsibility of monitoring MTRCL in providing to the public the safest railway services and infrastructure of the best quality; in this connection, this Council urges the SAR Government to adopt the following measures to restructure the governance of MTRCL to restore public confidence in MTRCL:

(1) setting up an independent railway development department – given that at present, a railway from planning to construction involves various government departments, including the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department, the Civil Engineering and Development Department, the Buildings Department and the Highways Department, resulting in fragmentation of responsibilities and inefficiency; besides, responsible for all the works of roads, tunnels, bridges, etc. in Hong Kong, the Highways Department can hardly attend to everything at the same time, thus giving rise to problems in the regulation of railways; hence, the SAR Government should set up an independent railway development department dedicated to railway works and directly responsible to the Secretary for Transport and Housing;

(2) planning new development areas in tandem with their ancillary railway facilities – in planning some of the new development areas in the past, since the SAR Government did not concurrently consider ancillary transport facilities, serious traffic problems arose in such areas, and the SAR Government then constructed railways in a rush, thus causing the works quality to fall; hence, new development areas and ancillary railway facilities should be planned in tandem in order to prevent the quality of railway projects from being affected by very tight work schedules;

(3) urging MTRCL to regularly review its investment strategy of updating the signalling system – in the past, repeated serious disruptions of MTR train

services were caused by the ageing signalling system; hence, MTRCL should regularly upgrade the signalling system to the latest version, rather than refusing to upgrade the signalling system on the ground of the cost being the prime factor of consideration, so as to ensure provision of stable and reliable public transport services to passengers;

(4) rationalising the appointment of the Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer of MTRCL – to cope with the foreseeable railway projects, either of the Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer of MTRCL, being the two highest persons-in-charge, should have an engineering background to facilitate monitoring of the works progress at the highest level;

(5) supervising MTRCL in reviewing the criteria of its internal tendering system – when drawing up the criteria of its internal tendering system, MTRCL should study following the criteria of the tendering system of the SAR Government which draw greater reference from the past performance, cooperative attitude, accountability performance of tenderers, etc., rather than overstressing the principle of 'the lowest bid wins' and the number of times the tenderers were awarded railway projects in the past as priority considerations, so as to avoid monopolisation;

(6) requiring MTRCL to strengthen the project management notification system – MTRCL should draw up specific and transparent notification criteria and make improvements on two levels: on the first level, requiring frontline site staff to report to the management in higher ranks the site conditions, including but not limited to issuing to contractors non-conformance notices/reports for any work that does not comply with plans and works requirements, and on the second level, reporting to the Government all construction problems in respect of repeated mistakes without rectification, delays in resolving such problems and suspected violations of statutory requirements; and

(7) raising MTRCL's requirements for supervision of the works of contractors -MTRCL should draw reference from the requirements of the SAR Government in supervising public works, including considering the introduction of the Contractor Management Handbook for public works to conduct regular assessments on the quality, progress and safety of works, environmental protection, management and attitude of the persons-in-charge of projects, subcontracting of works, performance of procurement, etc., and requiring resident site staff to conduct thorough on-site supervision, thereby effecting more stringent supervision of railway projects."

Mr Luk Chung-hung, Mr Chan Han-pan, Dr Kwok Ka-ki and Mr Lam Cheuk-ting will move separate amendments to Mr Tien's motion.

Mr Lam will move a motion under the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance. The motion states: "That the House Committee (HC) be authorised under section 9(2) of the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382) to exercise the powers conferred by section 9(1) of that Ordinance to order the MTR Corporation Limited (MTRCL) to attend before HC on or before the date of the first HC meeting after the passage of this motion to produce all the documents, photos, related records of meetings

and correspondences and all other relevant documents and information presented to MTRCL by China Technology Corporation Limited, Fang Sheung Construction Company and Leighton Contractors (Asia) Limited in relation to the quality of the extension works of Hung Hom station of the Shatin to Central Link."

Mr Wong Ting-kwong will move a proposed resolution under section 34(4) of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance to extend the period for amending the Employment (Amendment) (No. 2) Ordinance 2018 (Commencement) Notice laid on the table of the Council on June 13, 2018 to the first sitting of the next session of LegCo.

Mr James To will move two proposed resolutions under section 34(2) of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance in relation to the Securities and Futures (Professional Investor) (Amendment) Rules 2018 as set out in Appendix 1 and Appendix 2.

The Secretary for Justice and Mr Hui Chi-fung will each move a proposed resolution under the Fatal Accidents Ordinance to amend the Fatal Accidents Ordinance as set out in Appendix 3 and Appendix 4 respectively.

On government bills, the Hotel and Guesthouse Accommodation (Amendment) Bill 2018 and the Electoral Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2018 will be introduced into the Council for the First Reading and the Second Reading. The Second Reading debate on the Bills will be adjourned.

The Second Reading debate on the Human Organ Transplant (Amendment) Bill 2018 will resume. If the Bill is supported by Members and receives its Second Reading, it will stand committed to the committee of the whole Council. After the committee of the whole Council has completed consideration of the Bill and its report is adopted by the Council, the Bill will be set down for the Third Reading.

During the meeting, Deputy Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee, Mr Kenneth Leung, will present the "Report of the Public Accounts Committee on Report No. 70 of the Director of Audit on the Results of Value for Money Audits" and address the Council.

Chairman of the Committee on Rules of Procedure, Mr Paul Tse, will present the "Committee on Rules of Procedure of the Legislative Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Progress Report for the period October 2017 to July 2018" and address the Council.

Meanwhile, Chairman of the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene, Mr Steven Ho; Chairman of the Panel on Manpower, Mr Kwok Wai-keung; Chairman of the Panel on Commerce and Industry, Mr Wu Chi-wai; Chairman of the Panel on Constitutional Affairs, Mr Martin Liao; Chairman of the Panel on Housing, Ms Alice Mak; Chairman of the Panel on Welfare Services, Mr Shiu Ka-chun; Chairman of the Panel on Transport, Mr Frankie Yick; Chairman of the Panel on Education, Dr Chiang Lai-wan; Chairman of the Panel on Economic Development, Mr Jeffrey Lam; Chairman of the Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services, Dr Priscilla Leung; Chairman of the Panel on

Health Services, Professor Lee; and Chairman of the Panel on Financial Affairs, Mr Kenneth Leung, will present the 2017-2018 Reports of the related Panels and address the Council respectively.

Members will also ask the Government 22 questions on various policy areas, six of which require oral replies.

The agenda of the above meeting can be obtained via the LegCo Website (www.legco.gov.hk). Please note that the agenda is subject to change, and the latest information about the agenda could be found on the LegCo Website.

Members of the public are welcome to observe the proceedings of the meeting from the public galleries of the Chamber of the LegCo Complex. They may reserve seats by calling 3919 3399 during office hours. Members of the public can also watch or listen to the meeting via the "Webcast" system on the LegCo Website.

[Transcript of remarks by CE at media session before ExCo meeting \(with video\)](#)

Following is the transcript of remarks by the Chief Executive, Mrs Carrie Lam, at a media session before the Executive Council meeting this morning (July 10):

Reporter: Is it true that ExCo will approve the inquiry commission's scope of investigation and also will Peter Hansford be the second person in the commission and you will make an announcement today? And with so many incidents surrounding the To Kwa Wan and Exhibition Centre stations, does that mean that lawmakers should use the P&P to look into this incident?

Chief Executive: Sorry, I have to stop you – already three questions, although these questions are interrelated. First of all, I cannot disclose or confirm the agenda of the Executive Council. I hope you will appreciate but I know that society is waiting for the announcement of the appointment of this statutory commission of inquiry (COI). I can tell you here that we will announce it shortly and of course when we announce the appointment of the commission of inquiry, we will announce also the terms of reference of the COI and the appointment of the commissioners. I have said and announced earlier on that we are very privileged to be able to invite Justice Hartmann to be the Chairman of this COI and we have succeeded in identifying a second commissioner, who is an expert in engineering aspects. So, all the full details will be announced once we are in a position to do so. As far as the scope of the COI, I notice that some of the members of the Legislative

Council have asked for a widening of the scope in order to include other stations that have been reported to have some irregularities in their works. But the Government takes a view that the other two stations, that is the Exhibition Centre Station and the To Kwa Wan Station's situations, are not the same as the Hung Hom Station. In order to conduct in depth a COI, the terms of reference have to be very exact and very precise, so we have decided that these terms of reference of the COI to be established will be sort of confined to the Hung Hom Station of the Shatin to Central Link. But I want to stress that we will also invite the commission of inquiry to come up with recommendations after reviewing and investigating into what I call the systemic issues concerning the MTR Corporation, as well as the relevant parts of the Government.

Reporter: Last week the Court of Final Appeal recognised LGBT marriage equality, but only for foreign workers. When it comes to issues like adoption, will departments other than Immigration now recognise ... unions, or will the Government use taxpayer dollars to continue fighting this in court?

Chief Executive: Well, first of all, I need to correct your question, because as far as I understand – I read the judgment in full – the appeal case before the Court of Final Appeal was not about the LGBT rights per se, as you have suggested. The appeal is about the important issue concerning whether the Director of Immigration has exercised fairly, without discrimination, the administration of his policy concerning the issue of dependent visa. So it's a question of immigration policy. So the Hong Kong SAR Government of course fully respects the judgment of the Court of Final Appeal, so we are now studying the judgment and that's why I personally also read the judgment fully once, and we will decide on the next step in compliance with that judgment.

(Please also refer to the Chinese portion of the transcript.)

Special traffic arrangements for race meeting in Happy Valley tomorrow

Special traffic arrangements will be implemented in Happy Valley tomorrow (July 11). The arrangements will come into effect one and a half hours before the start of the first race and will last until the crowds have dispersed after the race meeting.

A. Traffic arrangements before the commencement of the first race

1. Road closure

Southbound Wong Nai Chung Road between Queen's Road East and the up-ramp

outside Hong Kong Jockey Club (HKJC) will be closed except for vehicles heading for Aberdeen Tunnel.

2. Traffic diversions

- Southbound Wong Nai Chung Road between Village Road and the up-ramp outside HKJC will be re-routed one way northbound;
- Vehicles from eastbound Queen's Road East heading for Wan Chai and Happy Valley will be diverted to turn left to Morrison Hill Road;
- Traffic along southbound Morrison Hill Road heading for Happy Valley will be diverted via Sports Road and Wong Nai Chung Road;
- Traffic along Queen's Road East cannot turn right to Wong Nai Chung Road except for vehicles heading to Aberdeen Tunnel;
- Traffic from Cross Harbour Tunnel heading for Queen's Road East will be diverted via the down-ramp leading from southbound Canal Road flyover to Morrison Hill Road to turn right at the junction of Wong Nai Chung Road and Queen's Road East; and
- Traffic from Cross Harbour Tunnel heading for Happy Valley or Racecourse will be diverted via the down-ramp leading from southbound Canal Road flyover to Canal Road East, southbound Morrison Hill Road, Sports Road and Wong Nai Chung Road.

B. Traffic arrangements during the race meeting

1. Road closure

The following roads will be closed from 35 minutes before the start of the last race:

- The up-ramp on Wong Nai Chung Road outside HKJC leading to Aberdeen Tunnel;
- Southbound Wong Nai Chung Road between Queen's Road East and the up-ramp leading to Aberdeen Tunnel;
- Southbound Wong Nai Chung Road between Village Road and the Public Stands of HKJC;
- Westbound Leighton Road between Wong Nai Chung Road and Canal Road East;
- and
- Southbound Morrison Hill Road between Leighton Road and Queen's Road East.

In addition, southbound Wong Nai Chung Road between the up-ramp leading to Aberdeen Tunnel and the Public Stands of HKJC will be closed from about 10 minutes before the start of the last race.

2. Traffic diversions

The following traffic arrangements will be implemented from 35 minutes before the start of the last race:

- Eastbound Queen's Road East at its junction with Morrison Hill Road will be reduced to one-lane traffic heading for northbound Canal Road flyover;
- Vehicles from Cross Harbour Tunnel heading for Wan Chai will be diverted via the down-ramp leading from Canal Road East, U-turn slip road beneath Canal Road flyover, Canal Road West and Hennessy Road;
- Vehicles from Cross Harbour Tunnel heading for Happy Valley will be

diverted via the down-ramp leading from Canal Road East, eastbound Leighton Road and Wong Nai Chung Road;

– Traffic on southbound Morrison Hill Road will be diverted to turn left to eastbound Leighton Road;

– Traffic along southbound Morrison Hill Road heading for Happy Valley will be diverted via eastbound Leighton Road and Wong Nai Chung Road; and

– Traffic along westbound Leighton Road will be diverted to Wong Nai Chung Road.

C. Learner drivers prohibition

Learner drivers will be prohibited to turn left from Caroline Hill Road to Leighton Road between one and a half hours before the start of the first race and one hour after the last race. In addition, learner drivers will be prohibited from accessing the following roads within the above period of time:

– Shan Kwong Road between Yik Yam Street and Wong Nai Chung Road;

– Village Road between its upper and lower junctions with Shan Kwong Road;

– Percival Street between Hennessy Road and Leighton Road;

– Canal Road East; and

– The service road leading from Gloucester Road to Canal Road flyover.

D. Suspension of parking spaces

Parking spaces on southbound Wong Nai Chung Road between Sports Road and Blue Pool Road will be suspended from 11am to 7pm during day racing, from 4.30pm to 11.59pm during evening racing, and from 5pm to 11.59pm during night racing.

Any vehicles found illegally parked within the precincts of the above affected areas will be towed away without prior notice.

Actual implementation of road closure and traffic diversion will be made by the Police at the time depending on traffic conditions in the areas. Motorists should exercise tolerance and patience, and follow the instructions of Police on site.

[Hong Kong Monetary Authority Exchange Fund Bills Tender Results](#)

The following is issued on behalf of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority:

Tender date : July 10, 2018
Paper on offer : EF Bills
Issue number : Q1828
Issue date : July 11, 2018
Maturity date : October 10, 2018
Amount applied : HK\$130,010 MN
Amount allotted : HK\$56,478 MN
Average yield accepted : 1.50 PCT
Highest yield accepted : 1.55 PCT
Pro rata ratio : About 49 PCT
Average tender yield : 1.59 PCT

Tender date : July 10, 2018
Paper on offer : EF Bills
Issue number : H1857
Issue date : July 11, 2018
Maturity date : January 9, 2019
Amount applied : HK\$56,700 MN
Amount allotted : HK\$18,000 MN
Average yield accepted : 1.68 PCT
Highest yield accepted : 1.72 PCT
Pro rata ratio : About 83 PCT
Average tender yield : 1.81 PCT

Tender date : July 10, 2018
Paper on offer : EF Bills
Issue number : Y1891
Issue date : July 11, 2018
Maturity date : July 10, 2019
Amount applied : HK\$19,430 MN
Amount allotted : HK\$5,000 MN
Average yield accepted : 1.75 PCT
Highest yield accepted : 1.78 PCT
Pro rata ratio : About 20 PCT
Average tender yield : 1.89 PCT

Hong Kong Monetary Authority Tenders to be held in the week beginning July 16, 2018:

Tender date : July 17, 2018
Paper on offer : EF Bills
Issue number : Q1829
Issue date : July 18, 2018

Maturity date : October 18, 2018
Tenor : 92 Days
Amount on offer : HK\$58,373 MN

Tender date : July 17, 2018
Paper on offer : EF Bills
Issue number : H1858
Issue date : July 18, 2018
Maturity date : January 16, 2019
Tenor : 182 Days
Amount on offer : HK\$18,000 MN

[Tenants begin moving into four newly completed blocks of On Tai Estate \(with photos\)](#)

The following is issued on behalf of the Hong Kong Housing Authority:

Tenants of Phase III, the last phase, of On Tai Estate at On Sau Road, Kwun Tong, Kowloon, began moving into the four newly completed domestic blocks today (July 10). Completion of the estate reflects the continuous efforts of the Hong Kong Housing Authority (HA) to provide affordable rental housing to eligible low-income families with housing needs.

"The four non-standard domestic blocks, namely Hang Tai House, Tak Tai House, Fung Tai House and Shing Tai House, which are 30 storeys or 33 storeys in height, provide about 3 000 public rental housing (PRH) units for about 9 350 residents," a spokesman for the HA said.

The intakes for the seven domestic blocks at Phases I and II of On Tai Estate were conducted last year and early this year. Upon completion of intake for the entire estate, the 11 blocks at On Tai Estate will provide around 8 500 PRH units for about 25 000 residents.

On Tai Estate offers a number of recreational facilities including outdoor children's playgrounds, basketball courts, badminton courts and table-tennis tables. In addition, there will be two community farms for residents' use.

The car park at On Tai Estate has already come into operation. The wet market and shops inside the shopping centre, as well as two kindergartens and an ancillary facilities block, are all completed and will provide services accordingly at later stage.

