Tuen Mun South Extension gazetted

The Government published in the Gazette today (January 28) the railway scheme for the Tuen Mun South (TMS) Extension in accordance with the Railways Ordinance (Cap. 519).

The TMS Extension project is one of the seven recommended railway schemes under the Railway Development Strategy 2014. It will extend the existing Tuen Ma Line from Tuen Mun Station southward by about 2.4 kilometres, including the provision of a new railway station near Tuen Mun Ferry Terminal and an intermediate station at Tuen Mun Area 16.

A Government spokesman said, "The TMS Extension will improve railway access to the community south of the Tuen Mun town centre. Currently, a road journey from Tuen Mun South to Tuen Mun Station takes about 10 to 20 minutes during rush hours. With the TMS Extension, the same journey by railway is expected to be not more than five minutes."

The Government and the MTR Corporation Limited consulted the Tuen Mun District Council on the TMS Extension project earlier and met and communicated with different local organisations for their suggestions and concerns about the project. Various publicity activities and briefing sessions were also held to collect public views on the project. The construction works of the proposed TMS Extension will commence soon after the authorisation of the scheme and are expected to be completed by 2030.

Under the Railways Ordinance, members of the public have the right to lodge objections to the railway scheme in relation to the TMS Extension from today until March 29, 2022. Any person who has a compensatable interest can claim compensation under the provisions of the Ordinance.

The scheme and the relevant plans are available for public inspection at the Central & Western Home Affairs Enquiry Centre, the Tuen Mun Home Affairs Enquiry Centre and the District Lands Office, Tuen Mun, during office hours.

A copy of the scheme and the plans may be purchased from the Railway Development Office of the Highways Department (HyD). For details, please call the HyD at 2762 3976. The electronic versions of the scheme and the plans are viewable on the HyD's website

(www.hyd.gov.hk/en/our_projects/railway_projects/index.html).