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Dear Ms. Lo,

**Legislative Council Panel on Transport
Follow-up Process and Implementation Progress of
Hillside Escalator Links and Elevator Systems**

Supplementary Information

At the meeting of the Legislative Council Panel on Transport held on 21 April 2017, some Members requested the Government to provide supplementary information on the follow-up process and implementation progress of the 18 ranked proposals of the hillside escalator links and elevator systems. We enclose the relevant information at Annex for Members' reference.

Yours sincerely,

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**Hillside Escalator Links and Elevator Systems
Follow-up Process and Implementation Progress**

(As at 30 June 2017)

Rank	Proposal	Progress of Project
1	Pedestrian Link at Tsz Wan Shan	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The pedestrian link was implemented under the Shatin to Central Link project.• The construction works commenced in July 2012. As at end June 2017, 13 out of the 15 facilities under this pedestrian link have already been completed and opened for public use. Regarding the two remaining facilities, the target completion date is the third quarter of 2017.
2	Braemar Hill Pedestrian Link	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Highways Department (HyD) completed the preliminary technical feasibility study in August 2011.• In view of the large project scale and various alignment schemes involved, the HyD engaged consultants to carry out technical feasibility study in September 2012.• The HyD consulted the Planning, Works and Housing Committee of the Eastern District Council and relevant members of the local communities on the alignment schemes in May and July 2014. Based on results of the consultation, the HyD selected the alignment scheme from King's Road near MTR Fortress Hill Station to Wai Tsui Crescent for further investigation and study.• The HyD has engaged consultants to carry out the investigation and preliminary design since June 2015. The relevant works (including ground investigation, land requirement assessment, traffic impact assessment, utilities impact assessment, tree impact assessment, drafting of preliminary design, public consultation and preliminary design refinement, etc.) are in progress.• The HyD consulted and obtained the support from the Planning, Works and Housing Committee of the Eastern District Council on the preliminary design in September 2016. The HyD is currently making preparation for the gazetting of the works under the Roads (Works, Use and Compensation) Ordinance (Cap. 370) to seek authorization to execute the works.

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3	Lift and Pedestrian Walkway System at Cheung Hang Estate, Tsing Yi	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The HyD completed the preliminary technical feasibility study in August 2011. • The HyD engaged consultants to carry out the preliminary design, investigation and ground investigation works in July 2012 and the relevant works were completed. • The HyD reported the progress of the project to the Concern Over Hillside Escalator Links and Elevator System Working Group of the Kwai Tsing District Council in November 2013. The HyD revised the alignment scheme and preliminary design incorporating the comments from members of the local communities. The HyD consulted the Traffic and Transport Committee of the Kwai Tsing District Council on the revised preliminary design in April and September 2014, and obtained its support. • The HyD carried out the detailed design in June 2014 and the relevant works were completed. • The Government published the notice of authorization to propose to execute the works under the Roads (Works, Use and Compensation) Ordinance (Cap. 370) in June 2015. No objection was received during the statutory period. Thus, the works were authorized to proceed. • The Government consulted the Legislative Council (LegCo) Panel on Transport and Public Works Subcommittee (PWSC) in March and April 2016 respectively and obtained funding approval from the LegCo Finance Committee (FC) in May 2016. The construction works commenced in February 2017 and are expected to be completed in mid-2019.

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4	Escalator Link and Pedestrian Walkway System at Pound Lane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The HyD completed the preliminary technical feasibility study in August 2011. • The HyD has engaged consultants to carry out the investigation and preliminary design since July 2012 and the relevant works (including ground investigation, land requirement assessment, traffic impact assessment, utilities impact assessment, tree impact assessment, drafting of preliminary design, public consultation and preliminary design refinement, etc.) are in progress. • The HyD conducted stage 1 public consultation on the preliminary design, alignment and delivery of the project from July to September 2013 so as to listen to the public views. The consultation activities included setting up project website, distributing pamphlets, carrying out roving exhibitions and holding more than 20 focus group meetings. About 5,000 public views were received. Both supporting and opposing views to the project are of similar order, indicating that the project is relatively controversial. • After listening to and considering the public views as well as reviewing the preliminary design scheme, the HyD suggested refining part of the preliminary design and alignment to minimize the environmental and visual impact on the surrounding. The HyD consulted the Central and Western District Council (C&WDC) and held a public forum on the refined proposal in January 2015 and April 2015 respectively. • After collating and analysing the comments received, the HyD plans to brief the C&WDC on the project progress in the second half of 2017.

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5	Lift and Pedestrian Walkway System between Kwai Shing Circuit and Hing Shing Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The HyD completed the preliminary technical feasibility study in July 2012. • The HyD engaged consultants to carry out the preliminary design, investigation and ground investigation in June 2014 and the relevant works were completed. • The HyD consulted and obtained the support from the Traffic and Transport Committee of the Kwai Tsing District Council on the preliminary design in June 2015. • The Government published the notice of authorization to propose to execute the works under the Roads (Works, Use and Compensation) Ordinance (Cap. 370) in January 2016. No objection was received during the statutory period. Thus, the works were authorized to proceed. • The HyD engaged consultants to carry out the detailed design in April 2016 and the relevant works were completed. • The Government consulted the LegCo Panel on Transport and PWSC in March and April 2016 respectively and obtained funding approval from the LegCo FC in May 2016. The construction works commenced in June 2017 and are expected to be completed in 2020.
6	Lift and Pedestrian Walkway System between Castle Peak Road and Kung Yip Street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The HyD completed the preliminary technical feasibility study in July 2012. • The HyD has engaged consultants to carry out the investigation and preliminary design since June 2014 and the relevant works (including ground investigation, land requirement assessment, traffic impact assessment, utilities impact assessment, tree impact assessment, drafting of preliminary design, public consultation and preliminary design refinement, etc.) are in progress. • The HyD consulted and obtained the support from the Traffic and Transport Committee of the Kwai Tsing District Council on the preliminary design in April 2016. The HyD is currently making preparation for gazetting of the works under the Roads (Works, Use and Compensation) Ordinance (Cap. 370) to seek authorization to execute the works.

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7	Lift and Pedestrian Walkway System between Lai Cho Road and Wah Yiu Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The HyD completed the preliminary technical feasibility study in July 2012. • The HyD has engaged consultants to carry out the investigation and preliminary design since June 2014 and the relevant works (including ground investigation, land requirement assessment, traffic impact assessment, utilities impact assessment, tree impact assessment, drafting of preliminary design, public consultation and preliminary design refinement, etc.) are in progress.
8	Pedestrian Link near Chuk Yuen North Estate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The HyD completed the preliminary technical feasibility study in April 2012. • The HyD has engaged consultants to carry out the investigation and preliminary design since June 2014 and the relevant works (including ground investigation, land requirement assessment, traffic impact assessment, utilities impact assessment, tree impact assessment, drafting of preliminary design, public consultation and preliminary design refinement, etc.) are in progress. • The HyD consulted the Traffic and Transport Committee of the Wong Tai Sin District Council (the Committee) on the preliminary design of the project in July 2015. The HyD further studied the feasibility of other alignment schemes in view of the comments from the Committee and local representatives. The HyD further consulted the Committee on the alignment scheme and preliminary design in July 2016 and March 2017 and obtained its support. The HyD is currently making preparation for the gazetting of the works under the Roads (Works, Use and Compensation) Ordinance (Cap. 370) to seek authorization to execute the works.

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9	Lift and Pedestrian Walkway System at Waterloo Hill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The HyD completed the preliminary technical feasibility study in July 2011. • The HyD started to carry out the investigation, preliminary design and detailed design in October 2011 and the relevant works were completed. • The HyD consulted the Traffic and Transport Committee of the Kowloon City District Council on the preliminary design in March and December 2013 and obtained its support. • The Government published the notice of authorization to propose to execute the works under the Roads (Works, Use and Compensation) Ordinance (Cap. 370) in August 2014. No objection was received during the statutory period. Thus, the works were authorized to proceed. • The Government consulted the LegCo Panel on Transport and PWSC in March and April 2017 respectively and obtained funding approval from the LegCo FC in May 2016. The construction works commenced in December 2016 and are expected to be completed in mid-2019.
10	Lift and Pedestrian Walkway System between Lai King Hill Road and Lai Cho Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is revealed in the preliminary technical feasibility study that the project involves two dangerous private slopes. The HyD will revisit this proposal after the parties concerned have completed repairing the dangerous slopes.

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11	Lift and Pedestrian Walkway System between Tai Wo Hau Road and Wo Tong Tsui Street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In 2010, the Government indicated that preliminary technical feasibility studies for the proposals ranked top ten in the assessment would be conducted by batches, and that the remaining proposals would be followed up after the smooth implementation of the top ten proposals. Later on, after reviewing the manpower resources, the HyD decided to conduct the preliminary technical feasibility studies for the proposals ranked 11th and 12th. • The HyD completed the preliminary technical feasibility study in April 2014. • The HyD has engaged consultants to carry out the preliminary design, investigation and ground investigation in August 2015 and the relevant works have been completed. • The HyD consulted and obtained the support from the Traffic and Transport Committee of the Kwai Tsing District Council on the preliminary design in September 2016. • The Government published the notice of authorization to propose to execute the works under the Roads (Works, Use and Compensation) Ordinance (Cap. 370) in February 2017. No objection was received during the statutory period. Thus, the works were authorized to proceed. • The HyD engaged consultants to carry out the detailed design in June 2017 and the relevant works are in progress. • The Government is now seeking funding approval from the LegCo within this legislative year to take forward the construction works for the proposal. The LegCo Panel on Transport supported the proposal in the meeting on 21 April. Subject to funding approval of the LegCo Finance Committee within this legislative year, the HyD plans to commence the construction of advance works for underground utilities diversion in the first quarter of 2018 and the main works in the second quarter of 2018 for completion in 2021.

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12	Lift and Pedestrian Walkway System at Luen On Street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In 2010, the Government indicated that preliminary technical feasibility studies for the proposals ranked top ten in the assessment would be conducted by batches, and that the remaining proposals would be followed up after the smooth implementation of the top ten proposals. Later on, after reviewing the manpower resources, the HyD decided to conduct the preliminary technical feasibility studies for the proposals ranked 11th and 12th. • The HyD completed the preliminary technical feasibility study in July 2014. • The HyD has engaged consultants to carry out the investigation and preliminary design since August 2015. As the project site is close to existing buildings and the available space is limited, the consultants are studying the alignment and preliminary design scheme for reducing land acquisition and minimising environmental impacts.
13	Yuet Wah Street Pedestrian Linkage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To support the Kwun Tong Town Centre Redevelopment, the Civil Engineering and Development Department commenced construction for this project in April 2013. The Linkage has been completed and opened for public use since October 2015.
14 (same ranking)	Escalator Link System between Hong Sing Garden and Po Hong Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This proposal will be followed up after the smooth implementation of the higher-ranking proposals.
14 (same ranking)	Lift and Pedestrian Walkway System between Lai King Hill Road and Princess Margaret Hospital	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As the project was located within the Princess Margaret Hospital, the Hospital Authority commenced works in November 2015. The facility has been completed and opened for public use since January 2017.
16	Lift and Pedestrian Walkway System between Saddle Ridge Garden and Sai Sha Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This proposal will be followed up after the smooth implementation of the higher-ranking proposals.
17	Lift and Pedestrian Walkway System between Hing Shing Road and Tai Wo Hau Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This proposal will be followed up after the smooth implementation of the higher-ranking proposals.
18	Escalator Link System between Sha Tin Sui Wo Court and MTR Fo Tan Station	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This proposal will be followed up after the smooth implementation of the higher-ranking proposals.

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