

The MTR Corporation Welcomes the Passage of the Co-location Bill by the Legislative Council

The MTR Corporation welcomes the passage of the Co-location Bill for the Hong Kong Section of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link (“XRL”) by the Legislative Council yesterday (14 Jun 2018).

“The co-location arrangement will maximise passengers’ convenience and realize to the fullest extent XRL’s transportation and economic benefits,” said Mr Lincoln Leong, Chief Executive Officer of the MTR Corporation.

“The Corporation is now discussing relevant details on the operational arrangements with the Government. We have already started the necessary preparation works based on the co-location arrangements, and will continue to work closely with the Government. We still target to commence passenger services this September. Upon commissioning of the Project, Hong Kong will be connected with the National High-speed Rail Network of over 25,000 km, which will bring a new cross-boundary travelling experience to passengers”, add Mr Leong.

With substantial completion of the main works, trial operations for the Project commenced in April 2018, which include the run-in of various train services and station facilities systems. The Corporation is working in full swing in preparation for commissioning the XRL in September this year as scheduled.

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