

MTR Supports 2018 Policy Address Initiatives

In her Policy Address announced today (10 October 2018), the Chief Executive Mrs Carrie Lam mentioned the development of the Siu Ho Wan Depot Site, construction of the Shatin to Central Link project and implementation of new railway projects. The Corporation supports the Government in these initiatives.

The Corporation notes the Government's plan to develop the Siu Ho Wan Depot Site into a Siu Ho Wan community with public and private housing as well as community facilities and understands the public's demand for increasing housing supply in Hong Kong, including the provision for public housing. The Corporation is exploring various details with the Government to consider the most suitable way forward.

As for the Shatin to Central Link project, the Corporation is in close communication with the Government to formulate feasible and appropriate measures to test and verify the integrity of the Hung Hom Station platform slab. The Corporation has also strengthened its monitoring and supervision over all SCL contracts. At the same time, the Corporation will cooperate and render full support to and maintain close communication with the Commission of Inquiry, relevant Government departments, Government's Expert Adviser Team and law-enforcement agencies in their investigations.

The Corporation has successfully delivered many railway projects which are now providing efficient and safe services to the Hong Kong public every day. Safety and quality of railway projects are the Corporation's top priorities, and it will continue to ensure that safety is upheld in taking forward the SCL project.

Looking ahead, the Corporation will support and work with the Government to progressively implement future railway projects in Hong Kong, including those proposed under the "Railway Development Strategy 2014".

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