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MTR Retired Train Carriages Stationed in School Passing On the Mission to Serve

Since 2021, the MTR Corporation has been working closely with social partners to give retired trains and relevant parts a second life under the “Legacy Train Revitalisation Programme” (“LTRP”). For example, train-themed classrooms have been set up with train parts in collaboration with various schools. As one of the latest projects under the programme, two carriages from a retired Mid-life Refurbishment train of the East Rail Line and a retired “Phase 2” Light Rail Vehicle were officially unveiled and opened to students last Saturday (11 February 2023) at Ying Wa College and Primary School.

Dr Tony Lee, Operations Director of MTR, welcomed the retired train carriages being upgraded and transformed into a new learning spot. He said that the Corporation will keep exploring with various organisations and social partners to make good use of retired train resources.

To provide passengers with high-quality services, MTR is committed to carrying out asset renewal in an orderly manner, including the introduction of new train fleets to replace of aging trains. For the decommissioned trains during the asset renewal process, besides disposing them in an environmental-friendly manner, the Corporation would also seek to cooperate with suitable partners to preserve and revitalise train carriages or make good use of the retired train parts.

With the aim to preserve, revitalise, and utilise resources for the betterment of the society, LTRP has been giving retired trains a second life through preserving the whole train cars, recycling or upcycling train compartments and components. Since the programme launch in 2021, MTR has cooperated with more than 20 non-government organisations, social partners and government departments, jointly turning over 400 pieces of decommissioned train parts into different uses. For example, passenger seats have been donated to senior centres, schools, and the public community as recreational facilities. Some train parts were also transformed into arm-stretching equipment, which was installed by the MTR volunteer team in the homes of the elderly, and some were even used in creating train-themed classrooms. The Ying Wa College and Primary

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School project is the first time that train carriages were sent into a school campus after being upcycled.

To view the video about Legacy Train Revitalisation Programme:

<https://youtu.be/aqPPI1P4Ajk>

To view the video about the Ying Wa project:

<https://fb.watch/iEpniQ98rj/>

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Photo captions:

1. (From left) Dr Sylvia Chan, Principal of Ying Wa Primary School; Mr Gareth Ng, Chairman of Ying Wa College Old Boys' Association; Mr Lam Sai-hung, Secretary for Transport and Logistics; Professor Chan Ying-shing, Ying Wa School Management Committee member; Dr Tony Lee, Operations Director of MTR Corporation and Mr Dion Chen, Principal of Ying Wa College officiate at the unveiling ceremony of the upcycled train carriages.



2. The two train cars donated by MTR will be turned into display areas with an integration of arts and technology elements to inspire students' learning interest in areas of technology, engineering, conservation and design, to boost students' understanding of Hong Kong's railway history as well as to provide a unique relaxing area for students.



3. Mr Lam Sai-hung, Secretary for Transport and Logistics; Dr Tony Lee, Operations Director of MTR Corporation; Principals of Ying Wa College and Primary School and students visit the upcycled train carriages.

