

## **Bus Route Planning Programme for Southern District 2021-2022**

### **Purpose**

This paper elaborates and seeks the views of Members on the Bus Route Planning Programme (BRPP) for Southern District 2021-2022.

### **BRPP planning considerations**

2. Franchised buses are major road-based mass carriers with high passenger carrying capacity and provide services with certain flexibility. Having regard to the local developments, demographic changes, completion of transport facilities, existing and planned public transport services in the districts concerned, etc., the Transport Department (TD) has been continuously enhancing the existing bus service network, and planning bus routes and adjusting bus services for developing and newly-developed districts as appropriate, so as to cater for the passenger demands.

### **BRPP for 2021-2022**

3. In response to passenger demand and to tie in with local developments and infrastructure projects, etc., we have devised a draft BRPP for 2021-2022 following discussion with the local communities and franchised bus companies. The table attached provides proposals under the BRPP for Southern District and Annexes 1 to 14 set out the details.

4. In formulating the BRPP, the TD and franchised bus companies make reference to the following guidelines on bus service adjustment:

### **Serving needs**

5. To tie in with demographic changes, we will increase bus frequency in accordance with the existing passenger demand for bus service or introduce new bus services as appropriate.

#### **(1) Frequency Improvement**

6. If the occupancy rate of any bus route reaches 90% and 75% during any busiest half-hour of the peak period and during that one hour respectively, or reaches 60% during the busiest one hour of the off-peak period, the TD and franchised bus companies will consider increasing its service frequency. Along with making reference to occupancy rate indicators, we will give consideration to providing a pleasant travelling environment for passengers, especially for bus services operated on longer routes.

#### **(2) Introduction of Services**

7. We will consider the introduction of new bus services having regard to community developments and population growth of individual districts. In view of the much congested road networks in many developed districts, any bus service introduced to serve congested areas or travel via busy roads will not only aggravate the traffic load, but also likely to lengthen the journey time of new bus routes, thus lowering their operational efficiency. Therefore, in considering the introduction of new bus services, the busy road sections of busy spots in the urban areas will be avoided as far as possible. If any new bus routes or existing ones upon service enhancements will inevitably operate via such road sections, the franchised bus companies are required to reduce the number of bus trips of other routes operating via those road sections as far as possible.

### (3) Interchange Schemes

8. We have been working with franchised bus companies to formulate bus-bus interchange schemes at appropriate and feasible locations to enable bus passengers to reach more destinations through interchanging with fare concessions. Such interchange schemes reduce the need for new long haul and direct point-to-point bus service, enable better utilisation of limited road space and bus resources, enhance the efficiency of the overall bus network, and lessen the traffic congestion and environmental problems caused by duplication of bus services.

### **Service Rationalisation**

9. For bus routes with low utilisation, we will review those routes with franchised bus companies from time to time, so as to implement different measures to enhance their efficiency subject to their actual performance, including adjustment to the headway and service hour of existing routes, or truncation, amalgamation and cancellation of routes, etc, as appropriate.

#### (1) Frequency Reduction

10. If the average occupancy rate of an individual route is below 75% during the busiest half-hour of the peak period, or below 30% during the off-peak period, the TD and franchised bus companies will give consideration to reducing service frequency. However, in some cases when such a route serves actual travel needs of the district with no alternatives available (including bus-bus interchange service), or the peak headway of the route has been set at 15 minutes or more and off-peak headway at 30 minutes or more, then the TD and franchised bus companies will make consideration on individual merits. In that case, single deck buses may be deployed to replace double deck buses first for better utilisation of bus resources and enhancement of the overall efficiency of bus network.

(2) Route Cancellation / Amalgamation

11. To ensure proper use of resources, if the utilisation of a low-frequency route is not high (i.e. a bus route with the highest occupancy rate lower than 50%, despite its headways having already been reduced to 15 minutes and 30 minutes or above during peak hours and off-peak hours respectively), we will consider proposing to cancel the route or amalgamate it with other route(s), after evaluating the impact on passengers and taking into account the alternatives available, including the service levels and fares of the alternatives.

(3) Route Truncation

12. To optimise the use of resources, we will examine the patronage of individual routes with the franchised bus companies from time to time, for example to see whether the majority of passengers have alighted en-route, thereby exploring the feasibility of truncating routes. As a reference benchmark, we will examine whether the route concerned have an occupancy rate of not more than 20% to 30% at the proposed terminating points during the busiest hour, for determining whether it should be truncated. Moreover, we will examine to see if there are any road spaces en-route to provide interchange facilities for passengers to interchange for other bus routes to their destinations.

13. Apart from making reference to the guidelines and factors set out in paragraphs 5 to 12 above, we will also review bus services holistically having regard to the overall public transport service network where appropriate, so as to maximise complementarity amongst the routes in the district. In the past, for individual proposals which can facilitate rationalising circuitous routes and improving service frequency, etc., for example, reducing unnecessary bus routes or bus trips while redeploying spared resources to routes with genuine needs for service enhancement, we will explore room for bus service rationalisation and, through rationalising bus routes in the district, achieve more effective use of bus resources, enhance bus service network efficiency and improve service quality, so that the public can enjoy efficient service while bus services can achieve sustainable development.

**Advice Sought**

14. Members are invited to give views on the BRPP for Southern District 2021-2022.

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**Bus Route Planning Programme for Southern District 2021-22**  
**Items of Improvement of Bus Services**  
**(Routes of Hong Kong Island)**

Proposed Implementation Date	Bus Company	Route No.	Terminating Points	Morning Peak Headway		Vehicle Allocation						Details of Proposal
						Existing		Proposed		Change		
				Existing (Minutes)	Proposed (Minutes)	Single Decker	Double Decker	Single Decker	Double Decker	Single Decker	Double Decker	
2nd Quarter of 2021	CTB	40M	Wah Fu (North) — Admiralty (Government Headquarters)	11-25	11-25	0	6	0	6	0	0	<p>In order to strengthen the connection between Southern District, Central, Mid-levels and Wan Chai, it is proposed that:</p> <p>[1] The terminating point in Admiralty (Government Headquarters) be relocated to Wan Chai North Temporary Public Transport Interchange; and</p> <p>[2] The Wah Fu bound routeing be diverted via Hennessy Road and Queensway while the Wan Chai bound routeing be diverted via Arsenal Street Flyover and Gloucester Road.</p> <p>Passengers concerned can continue to take Route no. 40M.</p> <p>Please refer to <b><u>Annex 1</u></b> for details.</p>
3rd Quarter of 2021	CTB	592	South Horizons — Causeway Bay (Moreton Terrace)	7-12 2 AM Trips	7-12	0	11	0	11	0	0	<p>To spread the departures more evenly, it is proposed that the two special departures of the route no. 592 be extended by relocating the origin point to South Horizons so as to unify the routeing. The frequency of departures from South Horizons will be increased. Please refer to <b><u>Annex 2</u></b> for details.</p>

**Bus Route Planning Programme for Southern District 2021-22**  
**Items of Improvement of Bus Services**  
**(Cross-harbour Routes)**

Proposed Implementation Date	Bus Company	Route No.	Terminating Points	Morning Peak Headway		Vehicle Allocation						Details of Proposal
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				Existing (Minutes)	Proposed (Minutes)	Single Decker	Double Decker	Single Decker	Double Decker	Single Decker	Double Decker	
3rd Quarter of 2021	NWFB	X970	South Horizons to Cheung Sha Wan (Kom Tsun Street)	1 AM trip	1 AM trip	0	1	0	1	0	0	It is proposed to route via Hoi Fai Road, Sham Mong Road, Cherry Street and Tai Kok Tsui Road after Lin Cheung Road, and follow its original routing afterwards. Please refer to <a href="#">Annex 3</a> for details.

**Bus Route Planning Programme for Southern District 2021-22**  
**Items of Rationalisation of Bus Services**  
**(Routes of Hong Kong Island)**

Proposed Implementation Date	Bus Company	Route No.	Terminating Points	Morning Peak Headway		Vehicle Allocation						Details of Proposal
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2nd Quarter of 2021	CTB	75	Shum Wan Road Public Transport Terminus – Central (Exchange Square)	20-30	20-30	0	4	0	4	0	0	To provide faster bus service for passengers of route no. 75 to Southern District in the morning peak, it is proposed that the routing of Sham Wan-bound service be diverted via Gloucester Road during the morning peak hours. Passengers concerned can take alternative bus services to access their destinations. Please refer to <a href="#">Annex 4</a> for details.
2nd Quarter of 2021	NWFB	91	Ap Lei Chau Estate — Central (Central Ferry Piers)	15-20	15-20	0	4	0	4	0	0	Due to low occupancy in Central and after pm peak, the service of Route 91 is proposed:  [1] To truncate the routeing to Central (Macau Ferry); and  [2] To adjust last departure time.  The passengers concerned can take the alternative services. Please refer to <a href="#">Annex 5</a> for details.
2nd Quarter of 2021	CTB	97	Lei Tung Estate — Central (Exchange Square)	12-20	12-20	0	9	0	9	0	0	To provide faster bus service for passengers of route no. 97 to Southern District in the morning peak, it is proposed that the routing of Lei Tung-bound service be diverted via Gloucester Road during the morning peak hours. Passengers concerned can take alternative bus services to access their destinations. Please refer to <a href="#">Annex 6</a> for details.
2nd Quarter of 2021	CTB	260	Stanley Village — Central (Exchange Square)	16-20	16-20	0	5	0	5	0	0	Due to the consistently low occupancy after the evening peak hours, it is proposed to adjust the last departure time of both bounds to 9 p.m. Passengers concerned can take alternative bus services to their destinations. Please refer to <a href="#">Annex 7</a> for details.
2nd Quarter of 2021	NWFB	590	South Horizons — Central (Exchange Square)	20-30	-	0	3	0	0	0	-3	Due to low occupancy, it is proposed to cancel the route. The passengers concerned can take alternative services. Please refer to <a href="#">Annex 8</a> for details.
3rd Quarter of 2021	CTB	43M	Tin Wan Estate—Shek Tong Tsui (Des Voeux Road West near Hill Road) (Circular)	20	30	2	4	1	3	-1	-1	Due to the occupancy rate of the route no. 43M stands low for most of the time through the day and patronage of the route are mainly travel between Tin Wan and Kennedy Town, it is proposed that the headway of the route be uniformly adjusted to 30 minutes through the day and its terminating point be relocated to Kennedy Town (Belcher Bay). Please refer to <a href="#">Annex 9</a> for details.

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3rd Quarter of 2021	CTB	71	Wong Chuk Hang Temporary Bus Terminus—Central (Man Kat Street Bus Terminus)	20-30	20-30	0	4	0	4	0	0	The routings of NWFB route no. 4 and CTB route no. 71 largely overlap along the section between Pok Fu Lam Road and Central, and their occupancy rates after the morning peak period remain low. It is proposed the services of route no. 71 be provided before the end of the morning peak hours on Mondays to Fridays (except public holidays) only.
	NWFB	4	Wah Fu (South) — Central (Connaught Road Central) (Circular)	20	20	0	5	0	5	0	0	To tie in with the proposed adjustment of service hours of CTB route no. 71, it is proposed NWFB route no. 4 be extended and operated as a non-circular route terminating at Wong Chuk Hang Temporary Bus Terminus after the morning peak hours on Mondays to Fridays (except public holidays) and for the whole day on Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays. Please refer to <a href="#">Annex 10</a> for details.
3rd Quarter of 2021	NWFB	94A	Wah Fu (Central) to Lei Tung (circular)	9-15	<u>School Days</u> 9-15	0	3	0	3	0	0	Due to low occupancy, it is proposed to convert Route 94A to school days only service and to adjust the operating hours. The passengers concerned can take alternative services. Please refer to <a href="#">Annex 11</a> for details.
3rd Quarter of 2021	CTB	97A	Main Street, Ap Lei Chau — Wong Chuk Hang (Circular)	9 AM Trips 6 PM Trips	-	0	1	0	0	0	-1	Due to the consistently low occupancy, it is proposed that Route 97A be cancelled and the Octopus same-day-return concessions will be offered. Please refer to <a href="#">Annex 12</a> for details.
4th Quarter of 2021	CTB	6A	Central (Exchange Square) — Stanley Fort Gate	20	20	0	3	0	3	0	0	The catchment area of the route no. 6A is largely duplicating that of Route 6X, the occupancy rates of both routes in the afternoon peak hours remain low. It is proposed that the three Central bound departures in that period be cancelled. Affected passengers may take the adjusted Route no. 6X to go to their destinations.
		6X	Central (Exchange Square) — Stanley Village	18-25	18-25	0	5	0	5	0	0	To tie in with the proposed adjustment of Route 6A, it is proposed that three of the afternoon trips of Route 6X be extended by relocating their origin point to Stanley Fort, and an additional double decker be deployed. Please refer to <a href="#">Annex 13</a> for details.

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**(Cross-harbour Routes)**

Proposed Implementation Date	Bus Company	Route No.	Terminating Points	Morning Peak Headway		Vehicle Allocation						Details of Proposal
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2nd Quarter of 2021	CTB	973	Tsim Sha Tsui East (Mody Road) — Stanley	15-30	30	0	4	0	4	0	0	<p>The occupancy rate of Route no. 973 is consistently low during evening peak hours, it is proposed:</p> <p>[1] the routeings for both bounds be adjusted to omit Tung Tau Wan Road and Stanley Prison;</p> <p>[2] the headway before 7 p.m. and between 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. be adjusted to 30 minutes and 60 minutes respectively; and</p> <p>[3] the last departure time for both bound be adjusted to 9 p.m.</p> <p>Passengers concerned can take alternative bus services to their destinations. Please refer to <b><u>Annex 14</u></b> for details.</p>

**Proposed Relocation of the Terminating Point and  
Adjustment of the routeing of CTB Route no. 40M****Existing Operation Details**

<b>Route</b>	<b>40M</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	Wah Fu (North) – Admiralty (Government Headquarters)
<b>Service Hours</b>	<p><u>From Wah Fu (North):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except public holidays) 6.06 a.m. to 10.57 p.m.</p> <p>Sundays and public holidays 6.10 a.m. to 10.50 p.m.</p> <p><u>From Admiralty (Government Headquarters):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except public holidays) 6.42 a.m. to 11.42 p.m.</p> <p>Sundays and public holidays 6.45 a.m. to 11.45 p.m.</p>
<b>Morning Peak Hour Frequency</b>	11-25 minutes
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$5.7
<b>Patronage</b>	Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour: 55%
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	6 Double-deckers

**The Proposal**

- The current terminating point of Route no. 40M in the northern shore of Hong Kong Island is located in Admiralty (Government Headquarter). It operates via Gloucester Road and Harbour Road to Wah Fu (North) and its catchment area does not reach the business areas of Wan Chai and Admiralty.
- Against the above reason, the Bus Route Planning Programme 2020-21 proposed that the terminating point of Route no. 40M be relocated and the routeing of both bounds be adjusted. The proposed Wan Chai-bound routeing has been revised, taken into account of the comments received during the consultation of the Bus Route Planning Programme 2020-21, to provide one more bus route connecting Central to Mid-levels to the business areas of Wan Chai and Admiralty. It is proposed that:
  - The terminating point in Admiralty (Government Headquarters) be relocated to Wan Chai North Temporary Public Transport Interchange; and

- The Wah Fu-bound routeing be diverted via Hennessy Road and Queensway while the Wan Chai-bound routeing be diverted via Arsenal Street Flyover and Gloucester Road.

**Advantages**

- By diverting the routeings of Route no. 40M for both bounds, the coverage of its catchment area to Wan Chai and Admiralty and the connection between Central to Mid-levels/Southern District and the above areas can be enhanced.
- By relocating the terminating point of Route. 40M to Wan Chai North Temporary Public Transport Interchange and diverting its Wah Fu-bound routeing via Hennessy Road and Queensway, passengers in Wan Chai and Admiralty may take route no. 40 or 40M in the areas around Queensway and Hennessy Road to travel to Central to Mid-levels and Southern District, and hence shorten their waiting time.

Details of the proposal are as follows:

<b>Route</b>	<b>40M</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	Wah Fu (North) – Wan Chai North Temporary PTI
<b>Routeing</b>	<p><u>From Wah Fu (North):</u>  Wah Fu Road, Shek Pai Wan Road, Pok Fu Lam Road, Flyover, Bonham Road, Caine Road, Upper Albert Road, Garden Road, Queen's Road Central, Des Voeux Road Central, Ice House Street, Chater Road, Murray Road, Queensway, <b><u>Arsenal Street Flyover, Gloucester Road, Fleming Road, Convention Avenue and Hung Hing Road.</u></b></p> <p><u>From Wan Chai North Temporary PTI:</u>  <b><u>Hung Hing Road, Convention Avenue, Fleming Road, Flyover, Fleming Road, Hennessy Road, Queensway,</u></b> Queen's Road Central, D'Aguilar Street, Wellington Street, Lyndhurst Terrace, Hollywood Road, Arbuthnot Road, Caine Road, Bonham Road, Pok Fu Lam Road, Shek Pai Wan Road and Wah Fu Road.</p>
<b>Service Hours</b>	(Unchanged)
<b>Morning Peak Hour Frequency</b>	11-25 minutes
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$5.7 (Unchanged)
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	6 Double-deckers

**Arrangement after the Service Adjustment**

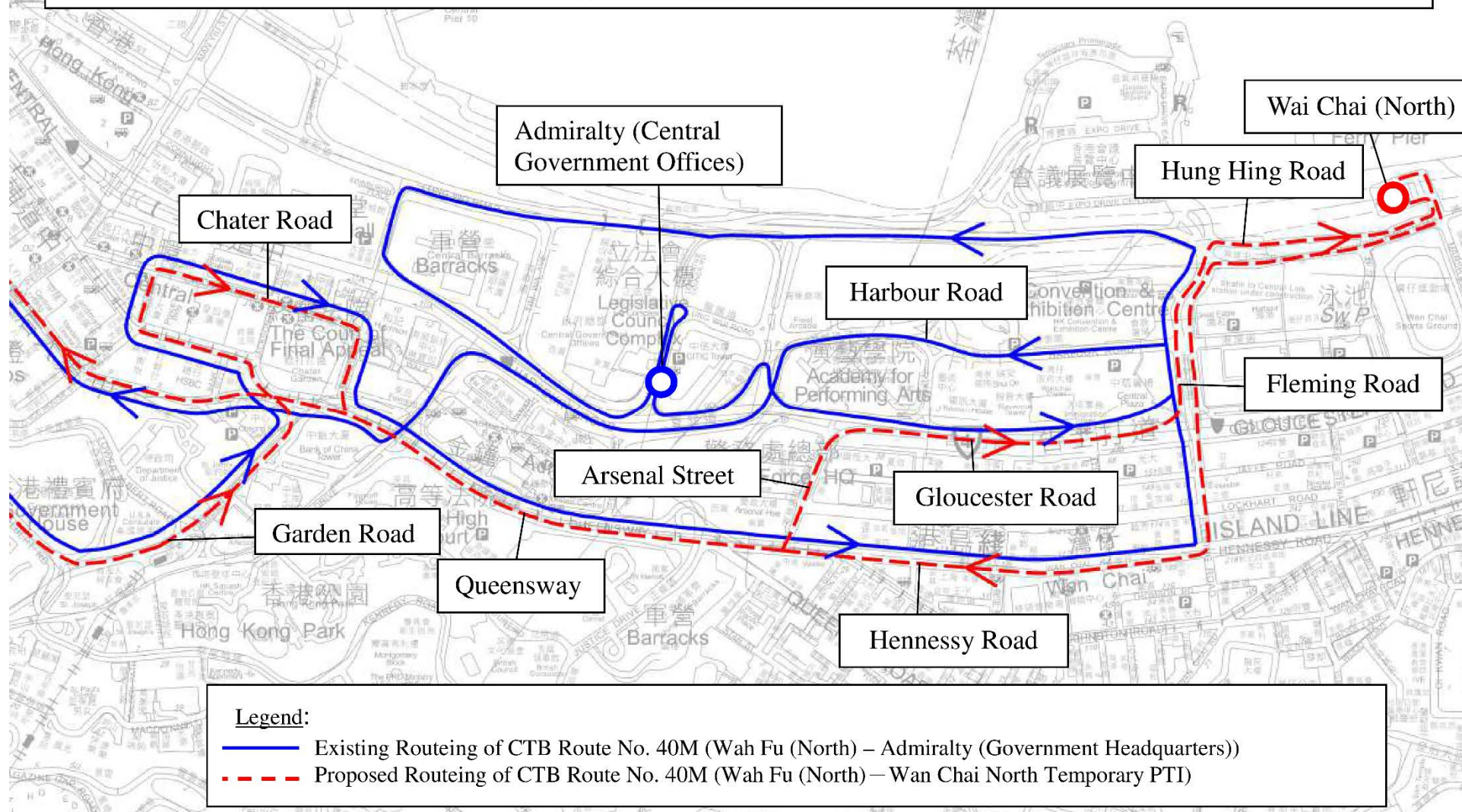
- To tie in with the proposed relocation of terminating point of Route no. 40M in Wan Chai and diversion of routeing, there will be new stops along Gloucester Road in its Wan Chai-bound routeing and new stops along Convention Avenue, Hennessy Road and Queensway in its Wah Fu-bound routeing. About 590 passengers can make use of the new bus stops between Admiralty and Wan Chai. The alternative service arrangements are as follows:

Origin	Destination	Alternative	Fare
Wan Chai-bound			
Between Wah Fu (North) and Admiralty	Wan Chai and Admiralty (Government Headquarters)	Alight at Queensway or Gloucester Road	\$5.7/\$5.2/ \$3.7 (Unchanged)
Wah Fu-bound			
Between Admiralty (Government Headquarters) and Harbour Road	Between Admiralty and Wah Fu (North)	Board/alight at Hennessy Road/ Queensway	\$5.7 (Unchanged)

**Proposed Implementation Date**

2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2021

## Proposed Relocation of the Terminating Point and Adjustment of the routing of CTB Route no. 40M



**Proposed Extension of the Special Departures of CTB Route No. 592 to South Horizons****Existing Operation Details**

<b>Route</b>	<b>592</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	South Horizons — Causeway Bay (Moreton Terrace)
<b>Service Hours</b>	<p><u>From South Horizons:</u>  Mondays to Saturdays  5.50 a.m. to 12.15 a.m.  Sundays and Public Holidays  5.50 a.m. to 12.00 a.m.</p> <p><u>From Ap Lei Chau Estate:</u>  Mondays to Fridays  7.25 a.m. &amp; 8.23 a.m.</p> <p><u>From Causeway Bay (Moreton Terrace):</u>  Mondays to Saturdays  6.00 a.m. to 12.45 a.m.  Sundays and Public Holidays  6.00 a.m. to 12.35 a.m.</p>
<b>Morning Peak Hour Frequency</b>	7-12 minutes
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$5.1
<b>Patronage</b>	Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour: 76%
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	11 Double-deckers

**The Proposal**

- The maximum occupancy of Route no. 592 in the morning peak hours stands at around 60% while the patronage of the special departures from Ap Lei Chau Estate remains low, averaging at about 20% only.
- To spread the departures more evenly, it is proposed that the two special departures of the route be extended by relocating the origin point to South Horizons so as to unify the routing. In parallel, the frequency of departures from South Horizons will be increased.

**Advantages**

- After the extension of the two special departures of Route no. 592 by relocating the origin point to South Horizons, the frequency of departures from South Horizons in the morning peak hours can be increased.
- All departures from South Horizons will stop at the bus stop next to the Ap Lei Chau Estate Bus Terminus. Passengers who used the special departures of Route no. 592 can walk to the bus stop and take Route no. 592.

Details of the proposal are as follows:

<b>Route</b>	<b>592</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	South Horizons — Causeway Bay (Moreton Terrace) (Unchanged)
<b>Service Hours</b>	<u>From South Horizons: (Unchanged)</u> Mondays to Saturdays 5.50 a.m. to 12.15 a.m. Sundays and Public Holidays 5.50 a.m. to 12.00 a.m.  <u>From Causeway Bay (Moreton Terrace): (Unchanged)</u> Mondays to Saturdays 6.00 a.m. to 12.45 a.m. Sundays and Public Holidays 6.00 a.m. to 12.35 a.m.
<b>Morning Peak Hour Frequency</b>	Please refer to the table below.
<b>Routeing</b>	<u>From South Horizons:</u> (Unchanged)  <u>From Causeway Bay (Moreton Terrace):</u> (Unchanged)
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$5.1 (Unchanged)
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	11 Double-deckers (Unchanged)

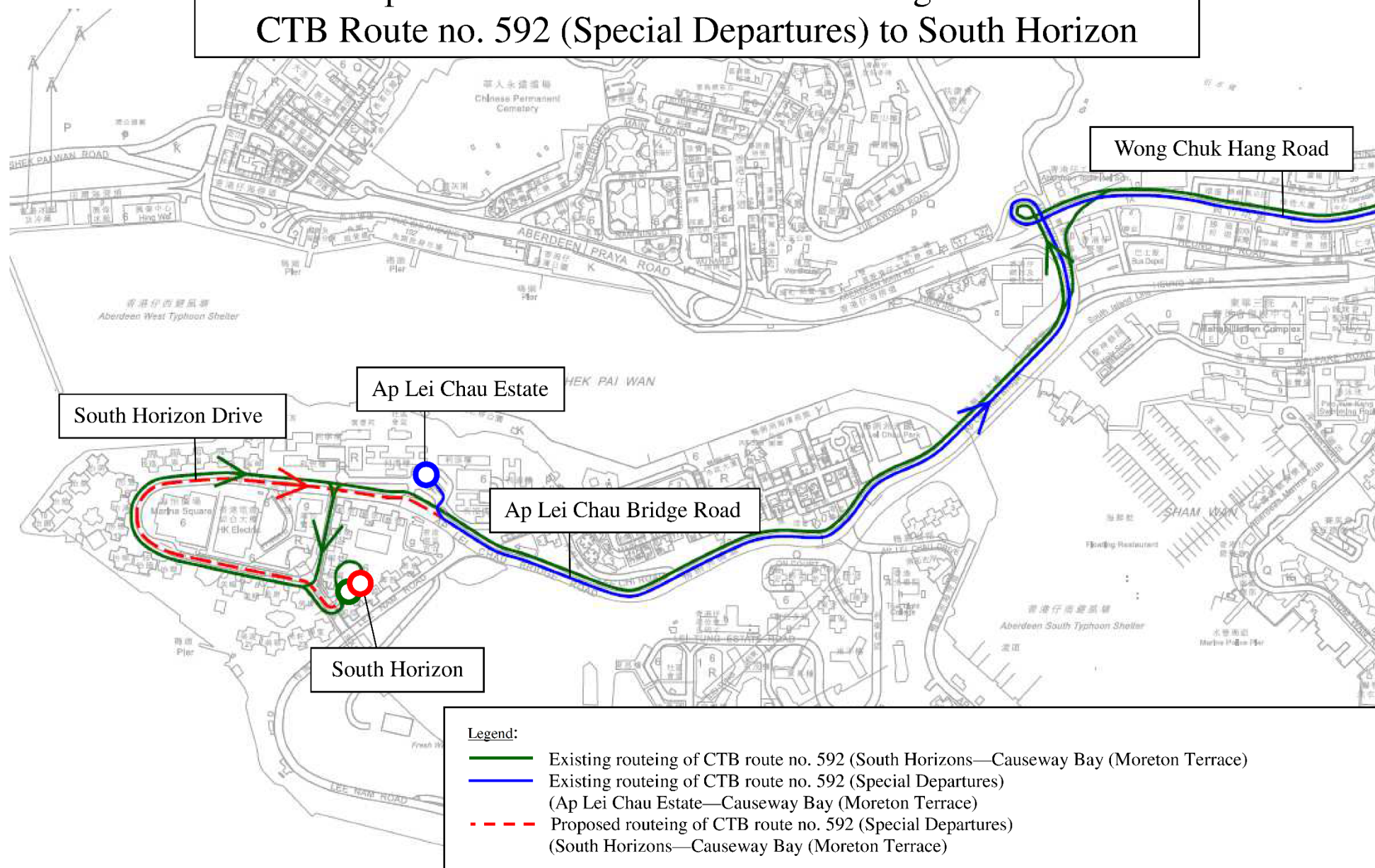
Proposed frequency from South Horizons in morning peak hours on Mondays to Fridays:

<b>Time Period</b>	<b>Existing Frequency</b>	<b>Proposed Frequency</b>
7.00 a.m. to 7.59 a.m.	7-10 minutes	7-8 minutes
8.00 a.m. to 8.59 a.m.	12 minutes	10 minutes
9.00 a.m. to 9.59 a.m.	12 minutes	12 minutes

**Proposed Implementation Date**

3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2021

## Proposed Relocation of the Terminating Point of CTB Route no. 592 (Special Departures) to South Horizon



**Proposed Adjustment of the Routeing of NWFB Route no. X970****Existing operation details**

<b>Route</b>	<b>X970</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	South Horizons to Cheung Sha Wan (Kom Tsun Street)
<b>Service Hours and Frequency</b>	<u>From South Horizons:</u> Mondays to Fridays (except public holidays) 7.50 a.m. (one departure)
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$14.3
<b>Patronage</b>	Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour : 40%
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	1 Double-decker

**The Proposal**

- To improve the coverage of Route no. X970 in Tai Kok Tsui and to provide a direct bus service to commercial areas of Tai Kok Tsui and MTR Olympic Station, it is proposed to alter the routeing of Route no. X970 towards Cheung Sha Wan via Hoi Fai Road, Sham Mong Road, Cherry Street and Tai Kok Tsui Road after Lin Cheung Road, and follow its original routeing afterwards. The proposed service details are as follows:

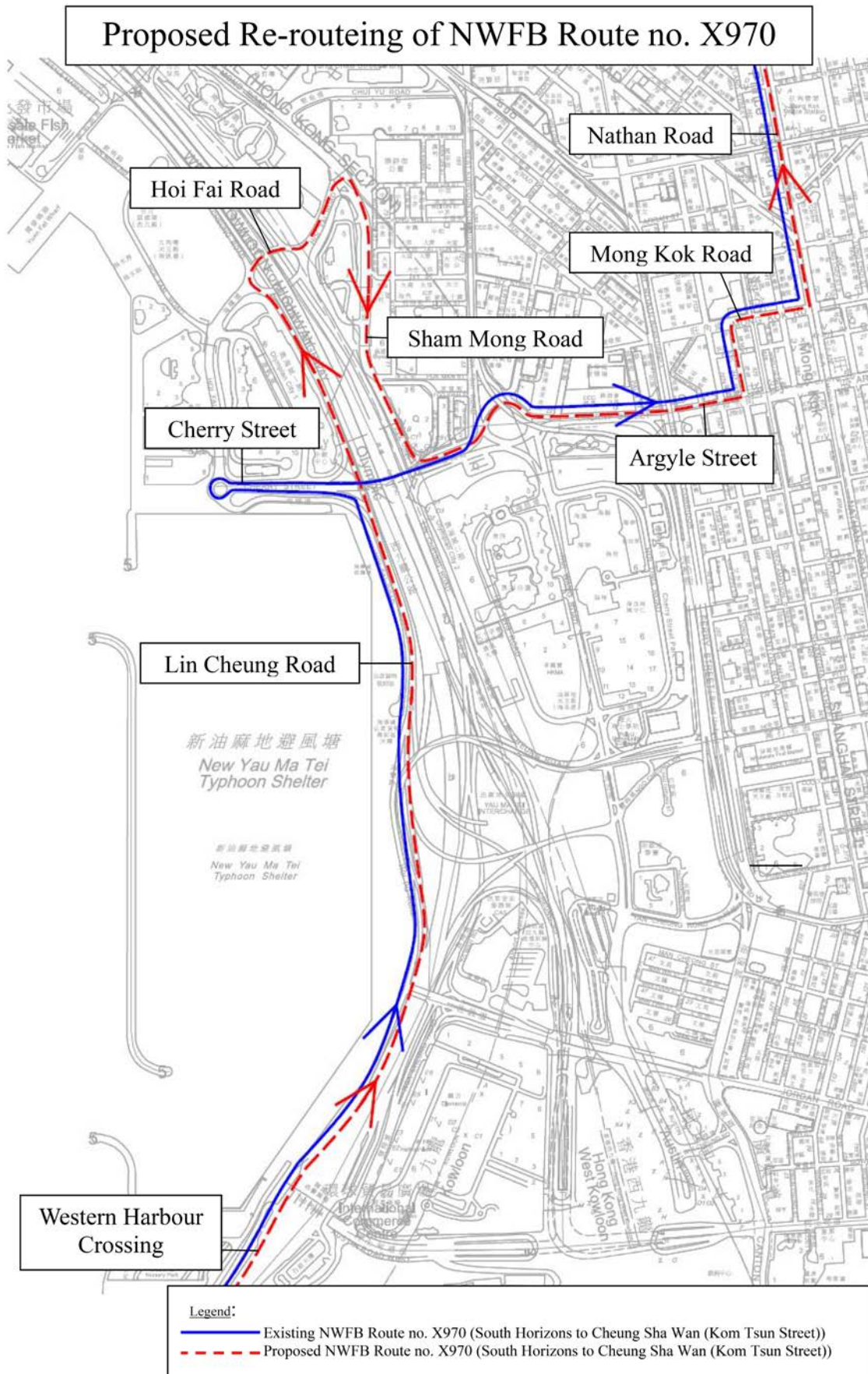
<b>Route</b>	<b>X970</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	South Horizons to Cheung Sha Wan (Kom Tsun Street) (unchanged)
<b>Service Hours</b>	<u>From South Horizons:</u> Mondays to Fridays (except public holidays) 7.50 a.m. (one departure)(unchanged)
<b>Routeing</b>	<u>From South Horizons:</u> Yi Nam Road, South Horizon Drive, Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road, Aberdeen Praya Road, Shek Pai Wan Road, Pok Fu Lam Road, Hill Road flyover, Connaught Road West, Western Harbour Crossing, West Kowloon Highway, Lin Cheung Road, <b><u>roundabout, Hoi Fai Road, Sham Mong Road, Cherry Street, Tai Kok Tsui Road,</u></b> Cherry Street, Argyle Street, Reclamation Street, Mong Kok Road, Nathan Road, Cheung Sha Wan Road, Cheung Shun Street, Cheung Sha Wan Road, Tung Chau West Street, Castle Peak Road and Kom Tsun Street.
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$14.3(unchanged)
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	1 Double-decker (unchanged)

**Advantages**

- Currently, passengers of Southern District have to alight at Ming Kei College at Cherry Street and walk about 8 minutes to commercial areas of Tai Kok Tsui and MTR Olympic Station. The proposal can provide a direct bus service for passengers of Southern District to commercial areas of Tai Kok Tsui and MTR Olympic Station which saves the time of walking.

**Proposed Implementation Date**

3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2021



**Proposed Adjustment of the Routeing of CTB Route No. 75****Existing Operation Details**

<b>Route</b>	<b>75</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	Central (Exchange Square)— Shum Wan Road Public Transport Terminus
<b>Service Hours</b>	<u>From Shum Wan Road Public Transport Terminus:</u> Daily 5.10 a.m. to 11.30 p.m.  <u>From Central (Exchange Square):</u> Daily 5.45 a.m. to 12.00 midnight
<b>Morning Peak Hour Frequency</b>	20-30 minutes
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$5.1
<b>Patronage</b>	Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour: 61%
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	4 Double-deckers

**The Proposal**

- To provide faster bus service for passengers going to the Southern District in the morning peak hours, the Bus Route Planning Programme 2020-21 proposed that the routeing of Sham Wan-bound service be diverted via Gloucester Road in lieu of Queensway, Hennessy Road and Wan Chai Road during the morning peak hours on Mondays to Saturdays.
- After considering the comments received during the consultation, the proposal is adjusted to retain more bus stops for passengers.

**Advantages**

- The proposal can shorten the journey time of the bus service from Central to Sham Wan in morning peak hours as the re-routed routeing will avoid passing through congested road sections, so the service can be improved.
- More bus stops in the Southern District are retained for passengers to the Southern District during the morning peak hours.

Details of the proposal are as follows:

<b>Route</b>	<b>75</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	Shum Wan Road Public Transport Terminus — Central (Exchange Square)
<b>Service Hours</b>	(Unchanged)
<b>Frequency</b>	20-30 minutes (Unchanged)
<b>Routeing</b>	<p><u>From Shum Wan Road Public Transport Terminus:</u> (Unchanged)</p> <p><u>From Central (Exchange Square):</u>  <u>At or before 9 a.m. on Mondays to Saturdays</u>  Connaught Road Central, Harcourt Road, <b><u>Gloucester Road,</u></b>  <b><u>Canal Road Flyover,</u></b> Aberdeen Tunnel, Wong Chuk Hang Road,  Nam Long Shan Road, Wong Chuk Hang Temporary Bus  Terminus, Nam Long Shan Road and Shum Wan Road.</p> <p><u>After 9 a.m. on Mondays to Saturdays and Sundays &amp; Public</u>  <u>Holidays</u>  (Unchanged)</p>
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$5.1 (Unchanged)
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	4 Double-deckers (Unchanged)

### **Arrangement after the Service Adjustment**

- To tie in with the proposed re-routeing of Shum Wan-bound service of Route no. 75 during morning peak hours, new en-route stops will be arranged on Harcourt Road and Gloucester Road to replace the existing bus stops in Wan Chai.

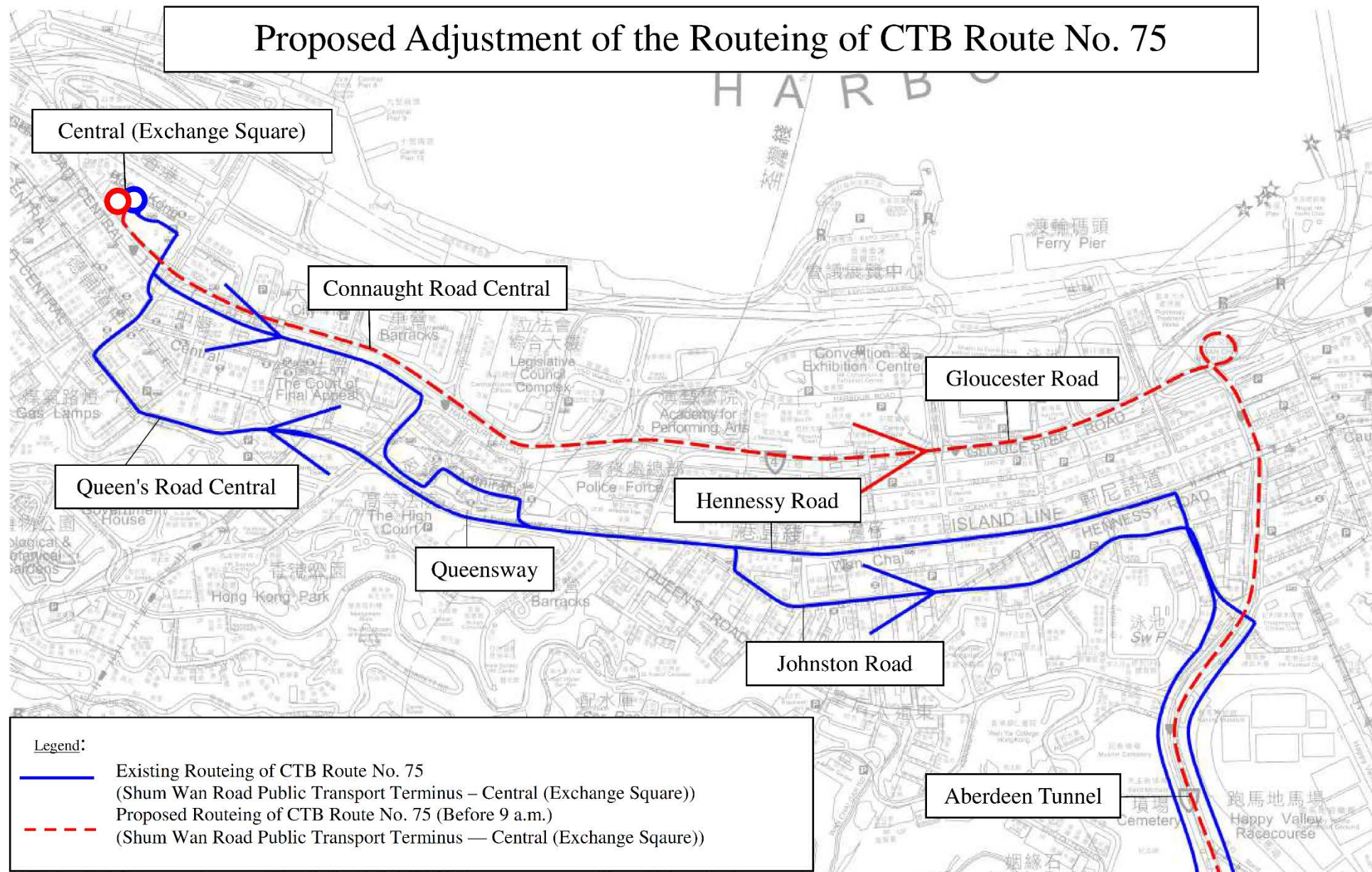
<b>Shum Wan-bound (At or before 9 a.m. on Mon to Sat)</b>	
<b>New Bus Stops</b>	<b>New Bus Stops</b>
1. Central Government Offices, Harcourt Road 2. Immigration Tower, Gloucester Road	1. Admiralty Station 2. Arsenal Street, Hennessy Road 3. Southorn Playground, Johnston Road 4. Heard Street, Wan Chai Road 5. Tin Lok Lane, Wan Chai Road 6. Happy Valley Racecourse, Morrison Hill Road

- Passengers from Admiralty and Wan Chai could continue to use the re-routed Route no. 75 to Shum Wan at the new stops or the bus-bus interchange concessions at the Aberdeen Tunnel Toll Plaza to take different bus routes to their destinations. Passengers' alternatives are tabulated below:

Origin	Destination	Alternative	Fare
<b>Shum Wan-bound (Before 9 a.m. on Mondays to Saturdays)</b>			
Between Central and Wan Chai		Route no. 90	\$5.1 (Unchanged)
Between Admiralty and Wan Chai	Southern District	Board at Harcourt Road/ Gloucester Road	\$5.1 (Unchanged)
		Route nos. 37X/90 interchange with Route nos. 72A/75	\$5.1 (Unchanged)

**Proposed Implementation Date**2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2021

## Proposed Adjustment of the Routeing of CTB Route No. 75



**Proposed Truncation to Central (Macau Ferry) and Adjustment of Service Hours of  
Route of NWFB Route no. 91**

**Existing operation details**

<b>Route</b>	<b>91</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	Ap Lei Chau Estate – Central (Central Ferry Piers) / South Horizons (Block 18) to Central (Central Ferry Piers) (Special Departures) / Ap Lei Chau Estate – Central (Central Ferry Piers) (Special Departures)
<b>Service Hours</b>	<p><u>From Ap Lei Chau Estate:</u> Mondays to Fridays (except public holidays) 9.20 a.m. – 11.45 p.m.</p> <p>Saturdays (except public holidays) 9.15 a.m. – 11.45 p.m.</p> <p>Sunday and Public Holidays 6 a.m. – 11.45 p.m.</p> <p><u>From Central (Central Ferry Piers):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except public holidays) 9 a.m. – 12.40 a.m.</p> <p>Sunday and Public Holidays 6.45 a.m. – 12.40 a.m.</p> <p><u>From South Horizons (Block 18) (Special Departures):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except public holidays) 6.45 a.m., 7.15 a.m., 7.35 a.m. and 7.55 a.m. (4 departures)</p> <p><u>From Ap Lei Chau Estate (Special Departures):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except public holidays) 5.50 a.m. – 9 a.m.</p> <p><u>From Central (Central Ferry Piers) (Special Departures):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except public holidays) 6.25 a.m. – 8.45 a.m.</p>
<b>Morning Peak Hours Frequency</b>	15 – 20 minutes
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$6.1
<b>Patronage</b>	Maximum occupancy in the peakest one hour : 67%
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	4 Double-deckers

**The Proposal**

- The occupancy of NWFB Route no. 91 is low and the maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour is only 67% in particular the section between Central (Macau Ferry) and Central (Central Ferry Piers) (12% only for Central bound and 11% only for Ap Lei Chau bound).
- Also, the occupancy of Route no. 91 is consistently low after 10 p.m. and the average occupancy of both bounds are 8% only (Central bound) and 16% only (Ap Lei Chau bound).
- Given the above, it is proposed to truncate Route no. 91 to Central (Macau Ferry) and to adjust its last departure time to 9.40 p.m. (Central bound) and 9.55 p.m. (Ap Lei Chau bound). Details are at **Appendix**.
- To tie in with the proposed service adjustment of Route no. 91, the following **new** Octopus bus-bus interchange concessions will be offered to provide more choices of routes for the passengers travelling between Lei Tung and Tin Wan/Pok Fu Lam Road/Central and Western District whole day. Details are at **Table 1**.

**Table 1**

First Leg	Origin	Fare	Second Leg	Destination	Fare	Discount	Total Fare	Interchange location
Central (Macau Ferry) bound								
CTB Route no. 98	Aberdeen	\$2.7	CTB Route no. 7	Central/ Admiralty	\$5.7	\$2.3	\$6.1	Aberdeen
			CTB Route no. 90B		\$6.2	\$2.7	\$6.2	
			NWFB Route no. 4*		\$5.6	\$2.2	\$6.1	
Ap Lei Chau bound								
CTB Route no. 90B	Southern District	\$6.2/ \$4.6/ \$3.2	CTB Route no. 98	Lei Tung	\$2.7	\$2.7/ \$2.5	\$6.2/ \$4.6/ \$3.4	Aberdeen
CTB Route no. 7		\$5.7/ \$4.3/ \$3.0				\$2.3/ \$2.5/ \$2.6	\$6.1/ \$5.9/ \$4.4/ \$3.4	
NWFB Route no. 4*		\$5.6/ \$4.3/ \$3.2				\$2.4/ \$2.5/ \$2.6	\$5.9/ \$4.4/ \$3.4	

\* According to 2021-22 RPP, NWFB Route 4 is proposed to extend to Wong Chuk Hang after morning peak on Mondays to Fridays (except public holidays) and whole day on Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays

**Arrangement after the Service Adjustment**

- Currently, there are about 255 passengers (3% of total passengers) taking NWFB Route 91 between Central and Ap Lei Chau / Lei Tung. The passengers can use the bus-bus interchange concessions of NWFB Route no. 91 and CTB Route no. 7 / NWFB Route no. 94.
- About 265 passengers (3% of total passengers) take NWFB Route no. 91 after 10 p.m.. Apart from using the above-mentioned new bus-bus interchange concessions, those passengers can also take the following alternative services. The fares of some alternative services are cheaper than that of NWFB Route no. 91. Details are at **Table 2**:

**Table 2**

(i) Passengers taking NWFB Route no. 91 to/from Central

(1) Passengers taking NWFB Route no. 91 to/from Central			
Origin	Destination	Alternative Service	Fare of Alternative Service
Central bound			
Ap Lei Chau	Central (Rumsey Street) to Central (Central Ferry Piers)	To interchange from NWFB Route no.91 to NWFB Route no. 94 / CTB Route no. 7	\$6.1 (unchanged)
Aberdeen to Central		CTB Route no. 7	Decrease from \$5.9/\$4.6/\$3.8 to \$5.7/\$4.5/\$3.7
Ap Lei Chau bound			
Central (Central Ferry Piers) to Central (Exchange Square)	Queen's Road Central to Aberdeen	CTB Route no. 7	Decrease from \$6.1 to \$5.7
	Ap Lei Chau	To interchange from NWFB Route no. 94 / CTB Route no. 7 to NWFB Route no. 91	\$6.1 (unchanged)
Hang Seng Bank Head Office to Queen's Road Central	Queen's Road West to Aberdeen	CTB Route no. 7	Decrease from \$5.9 to \$5.7
	Ap Lei Chau	To take NWFB Route no. 91 at the bus stops along Connaught Road Central and Connaught Road West or To interchange from NWFB Route no. 94 / CTB Route no. 7 to NWFB Route no. 91	\$5.9 (unchanged)

(ii) Passengers taking NWFB Route no. 91 after 10 p.m.

Origin	Destination	Alternative Service	Fare of Alternative Service
<b>Central bound</b>			
Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road	Lei Tung	MTR	Decrease from \$6.1 to \$4.8*
	Aberdeen to Yu Chun Keung Memorial College No.2	CTB Route no. 95C	Decrease from \$6.1 to \$3.3
	Pok Fu Lam Village to Central	CTB Route no. 90B; or To interchange from CTB Route no. 90B to NWFB Route no. 4/ CTB Route no. 7	Slightly adjust from \$6.1 to 6.2
Lei Tung	Aberdeen	CTB Route no. 98	Decrease from \$6.1 to \$2.7
	Tin Wan to Central	To interchange from CTB Route no. 98 to CTB Route no. 7	\$6.1 (unchanged)
Aberdeen to Central	Tin Wan to Central	CTB Route no. 7	Decrease from \$5.9/\$4.6/\$3.8 to \$5.7/\$4.5/\$3.7
<b>Ap Lei Chau bound</b>			
Central to Tin Wan	Sheung Wan to Aberdeen	CTB Route no. 7	Decrease from \$6.1/\$5.9/\$4.4/3.4 to \$5.7/\$4.3/\$3.0
	Lei Tung	To interchange from CTB Route no. 7 to CTB Route no. 98	\$6.1/\$5.9/\$4.4/\$3.4 (unchanged)
Central Ferry Piers	Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road	To interchange from CTB Route no. 7 to CTB Route no. 90B	Slightly adjust from \$6.1 to 6.2
Central to Pok Fu Lam Road Cemetery	Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road	CTB Route no. 90B	Slightly adjust from \$6.1/\$5.9 to \$6.2
Queen Mary Hospital to Pok Fu Lam Village	Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road	CTB Route no. 90B	Slightly adjust from \$4.4 to \$4.6

**Annex 5**

<b>Origin</b>	<b>Destination</b>	<b>Alternative Service</b>	<b>Fare of Alternative Service</b>
Yu Chun Keung Memorial College No.2 to Aberdeen	Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road	CTB Route no. 95C	Decrease from \$3.4 to \$3.3/\$3.1
Aberdeen	Lei Tung	CTB Route no. 98	Decrease from \$3.4 to \$2.7
Lei Tung	Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road	CTB Route no. 99	Decrease from \$3.4 to \$3.2

\* Octopus single journey fare

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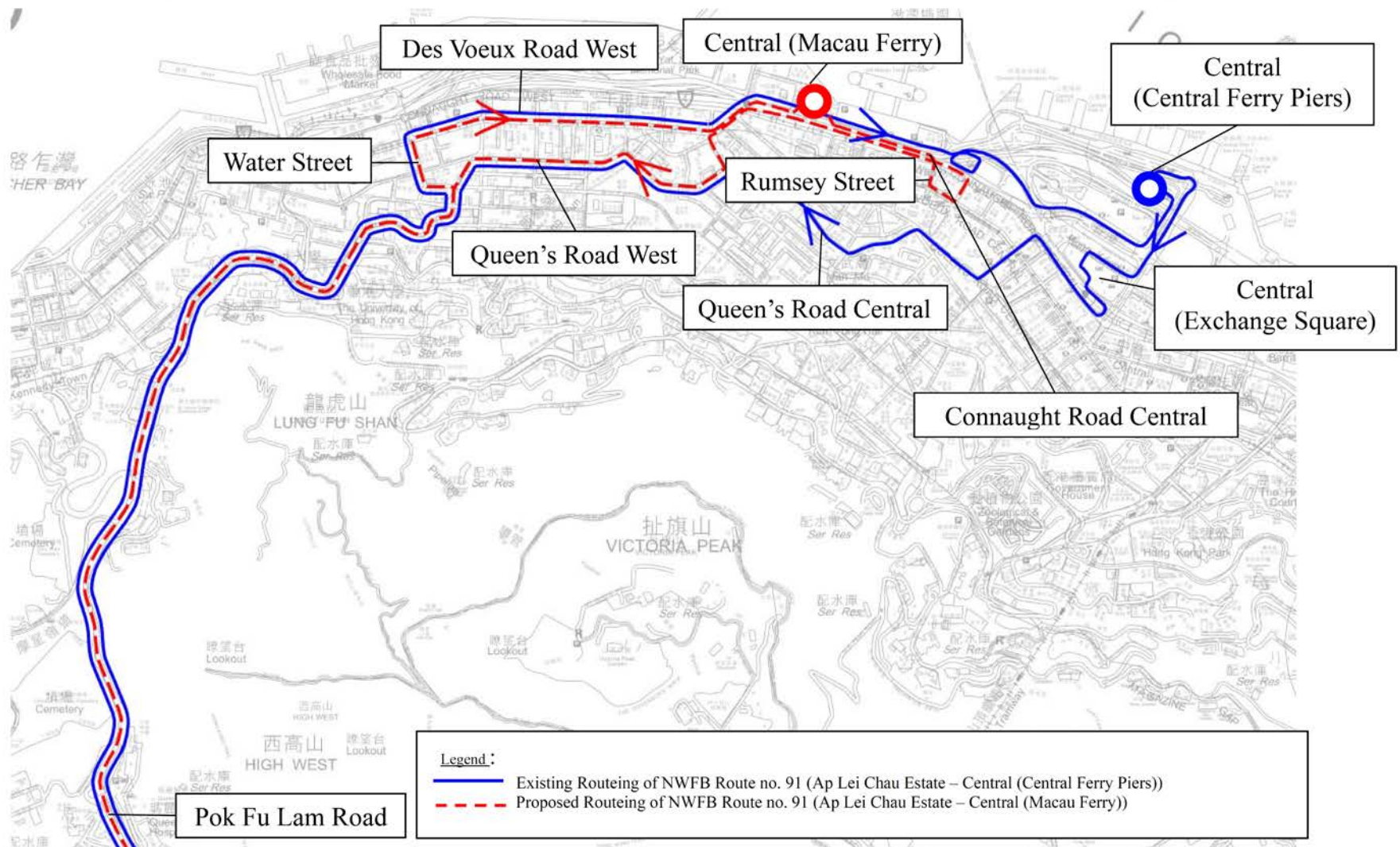
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**Proposed Operation Details of NWFB Route no. 91**

<b>Route</b>	<b>91</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	Ap Lei Chau Estate—Central (Macau Ferry) / South Horizons (Block 18) to Central (Macau Ferry) (Special Departures) / Ap Lei Chau Estate—Central (Macau Ferry) (Special Departures)
<b>Service Hours</b>	<p><u>From Ap Lei Chau Estate:</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except public holidays) 9.20 a.m. – 9.40 p.m.</p> <p>Saturdays (except public holidays) 9.15 a.m. – 9.40 p.m.</p> <p>Sunday and Public Holidays 6 a.m. – 9.40 p.m.</p> <p><u>From Central (Macau Ferry):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except public holidays) 9 a.m. – 9.55 p.m.</p> <p>Sunday and Public Holidays 6.45 a.m. – 9.55 p.m.</p> <p><u>From South Horizons (Block 18) (Special Departures):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except public holidays) 6.45 a.m., 7.15 a.m., 7.35 a.m. and 7.55 a.m. (4 departures)(unchanged)</p> <p><u>From Ap Lei Chau Estate (Special Departures):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except public holidays) 5.50 a.m. – 9 a.m. (unchanged)</p> <p><u>From Central (Macau Ferry) (Special Departures):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except public holidays) 6.25 a.m. – 8.45 a.m.</p>
<b>Morning Peak Hour Frequency</b>	15 – 20 minutes (unchanged)

<b>Routeing</b>	<p><u>From Ap Lei Chau Estate:</u> Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road, Ap Lei Chau Drive, Lei Tung Estate Road, Ap Lei Chau Drive, Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road, Aberdeen Praya Road, Shek Pai Wan Road, Pok Fu Lam Road, Second Street, Water Street, Des Voeux Road West and Connaught Road West.</p> <p><u>From Central (Macau Ferry):</u> <b><u>Connaught Road Central, Rumsey Street, Des Voeux Road Central, Wing Wo Street, Connaught Road Central, Connaught Road West, Queen Street,</u></b> Queen's Road West, Pok Fu Lam Road, Shek Pai Wan Road, Aberdeen Praya Road, Aberdeen Main Road, Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road, Ap Lei Chau Drive, Lei Tung Estate Road, Ap Lei Chau Drive and Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road.</p> <p><u>From South Horizons (Block 18) (Special Departures):</u> South Horizon Drive, Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road, Aberdeen Praya Road, Shek Pai Wan Road, Pok Fu Lam Road, Second Street, Water Street, Des Voeux Road West and Connaught Road West.</p> <p><u>From Ap Lei Chau Estate (Special Departures):</u> Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road, Aberdeen Praya Road, Shek Pai Wan Road, Pok Fu Lam Road, Second Street, Water Street, Des Voeux Road West and Connaught Road West.</p> <p><u>From Central (Macau Ferry) (Special Departures):</u> <b><u>Connaught Road Central, Rumsey Street, Des Voeux Road Central, Wing Wo Street, Connaught Road Central, Connaught Road West, Queen Street,</u></b> Queen's Road West, Pok Fu Lam Road, Shek Pai Wan Road, Aberdeen Praya Road, Aberdeen Main Road and Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road.</p>
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$6.1 (unchanged)
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	4 Double-deckers (unchanged)

Proposed truncation of NWFB no. 91 to Central (Macau Ferry)



**Proposed Adjustment of the Routeing of CTB Route no. 97****Existing Operation Details**

<b>Route</b>	<b>97</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	Lei Tung Estate — Central (Exchange Square)
<b>Service Hours</b>	<u>From Lei Tung Estate:</u> Daily 5.30 a.m. to 12.00 midnight  <u>From Central (Exchange Square):</u> Mondays to Saturdays 6.20 a.m. to 12.30 a.m.  Sundays and public holidays 6.24 a.m. to 12.30 a.m.
<b>Morning Peak Hour Frequency</b>	12-20 minutes
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$5.1
<b>Patronage</b>	Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour: 57%
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	9 Double-deckers

**The Proposal**

- To provide faster bus service for passengers going to the Southern District in the morning peak hours, the Bus Route Planning Programme 2020-21 proposed that the routeing of Lei Tung-bound service be diverted via Gloucester Road in lieu of Queensway, Hennessy Road and Wan Chai Road during the morning peak hours on Mondays to Saturdays.
- After considering the comments received during the consultation, the proposal is adjusted to retain more bus stops for passengers.

**Advantages**

- The proposal can shorten the journey time of the bus service from Central to Lei Tung Estate in morning peak hours as the re-routed routeing will avoid passing through congested road sections, so the en-route service can be improved.
- More bus stops in the Southern District are retained for passengers to the Southern District during the morning peak hours.

- Details of the proposal are as follows:

<b>Route</b>	<b>97</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	Lei Tung Estate — Central (Exchange Square)
<b>Service Hours</b>	(Unchanged)
<b>Morning Peak Hour Frequency</b>	12-20 minutes (Unchanged)
<b>Routeing</b>	<p><u>From Lei Tung Estate:</u> (Unchanged)</p> <p><u>From Central (Exchange Square):</u>  <u>At or before 9 a.m. on Mondays to Saturdays</u>  Connaught Road Central, Harcourt Road, <b><u>Gloucester Road,</u></b>  <b><u>Canal Road Flyover,</u></b> Aberdeen Tunnel, Wong Chuk Hang Road,  Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road, Ap Lei Chau Drive and Lei Tung Estate Road.</p> <p><u>Mondays to Saturdays after 9 a.m. and Sundays &amp; Public Holidays</u> (Unchanged)</p>
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$5.1 (Unchanged)
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	9 Double-deckers (Unchanged)

**Arrangement after the Service Adjustment**

- Owing to the proposal of re-routeing of Lei Tung Estate-bound service during morning peak hours, new bus stops will be arranged on Harcourt Road and Gloucester Road to replace the existing bus stops in Wan Chai.

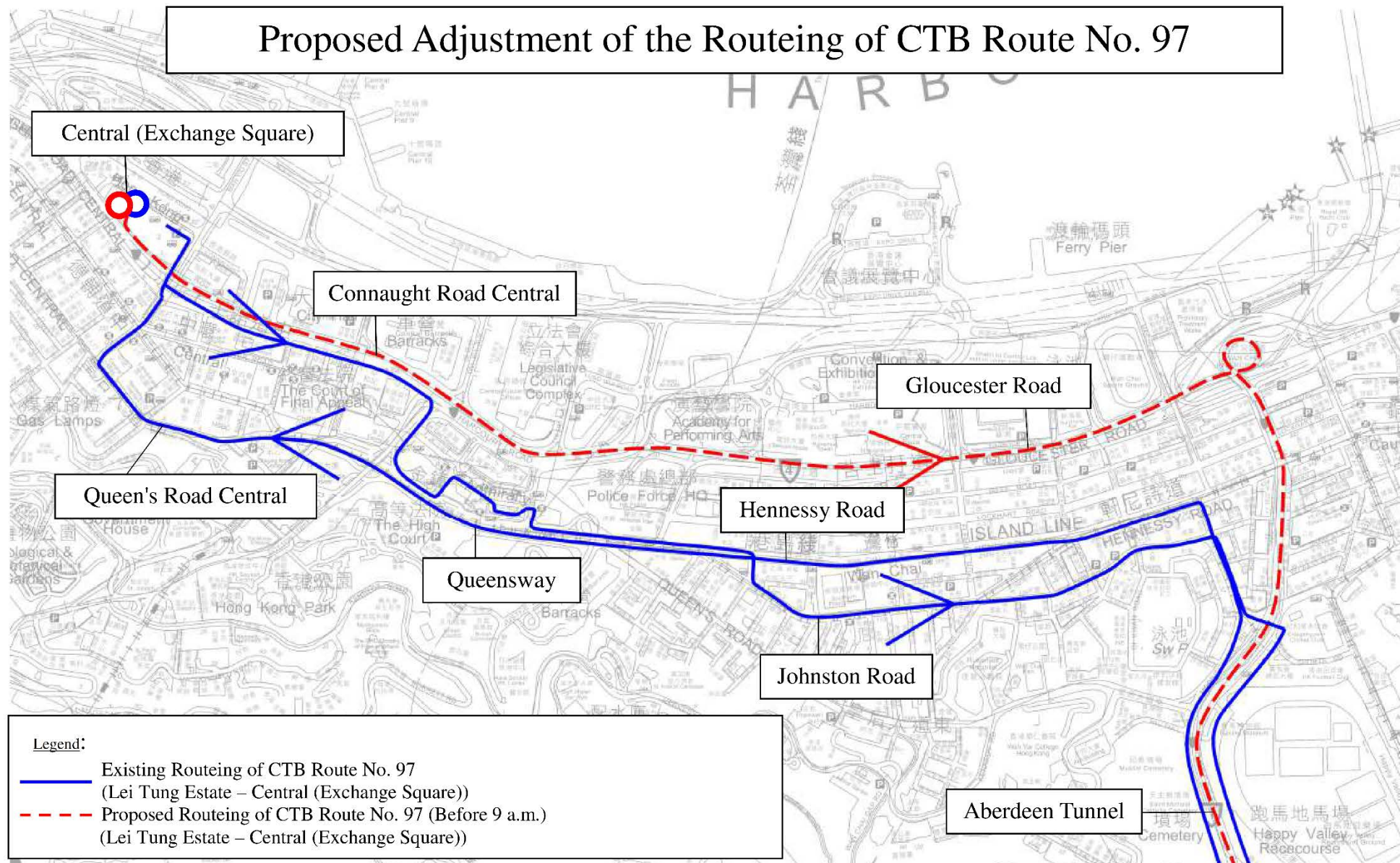
<b>Lei Tung Estate Bound (At or before 9 a.m. on Mon to Sat)</b>	
<b>New Bus Stops</b>	<b>Suspended Bus Stops</b>
1. Central Government Offices, Harcourt Road 2. Immigration Tower, Gloucester Road	1. Admiralty Station 2. Arsenal Street, Hennessy Road 3. Southorn Playground, Johnston Road 4. Burrows Street, Wan Chai Road 5. Tin Lok Lane, Wan Chai Road 6. Happy Valley Racecourse, Morrison Hill Road

- Passengers from Admiralty and Wan Chai to Lei Tung Estate could continue to use the re-routed Route no. 97 at the new bus stops or the bus-bus interchange concessions at the Aberdeen Tunnel Toll Plaza to take different bus routes to their destinations. Passengers' alternatives are tabulated below:

Origin	Destination	Alternative	Fare
<b>Lei Tung Estate Bound (At or before 9 a.m. on Mon to Sat)</b>			
Between Central and Wan Chai		Route no. 90	\$5.1 (Unchanged)
Between Admiralty and Wan Chai	Southern District	Board at Harcourt Road or Gloucester Road	\$5.1 (Unchanged)
		Route nos. 37X/90 interchange with Route nos. 96/97	\$5.1 (Unchanged)

**Proposed Implementation Date**2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2021

# Proposed Adjustment of the Routeing of CTB Route No. 97



**Proposed Service Adjustment of CTB Route no. 260****Existing Operation Details**

<b>Route</b>	<b>260</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	Stanley Village — Central (Exchange Square)
<b>Service Hours</b>	<p><u>From Stanely Village / Stanley Prison:</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except public holidays) 6.30 a.m. to 11.40 p.m.</p> <p>Sundays and public holidays 8.00 a.m to 11.40 p.m.</p> <p><u>From Central (Exchange Square):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except public holidays) 7.12 a.m. to 12.02 a.m.</p> <p>Sundays and public holidays 8.10 a.m. to 12.00 midnight</p>
<b>Morning Peak Hour Frequency</b>	16-20 minutes
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$11.4
<b>Patronage</b>	Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour: 60%
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	5 Double-deckers

**The Proposal**

- The service areas of Route no. 260 generally overlaps with that of Route no. 6 (Stanley – Central (Exchange Square)). With the change of passenger's travelling pattern, the occupancy rate of Route no. 260 is consistently low at around 13% in average and about 60% during the peakiest one hour of the day. Its occupancy rate after evening peak hours drops to only 17% to 37%.
- The Bus Route Planning Programme 2020-21 proposed that the last departure time of both bounds of the route be adjusted to 8 p.m. Taking into account the comments received during the consultation of the Bus Route Planning Programme 2020-21, it is proposed to adjust the last departure time of both bounds to 9 p.m.
- To tie in with the proposed adjustment on service time of Route no. 260, the bus company will offer new Octopus interchange concessions at San Wai, Wong Chuk Hang and the Aberdeen Tunnel Toll Plaza between Route no. 73 and Route nos. 70, 75, 90 and 97, in which the discounted fares will be lower than the fare of Route no. 260.

Details of the proposal are as follows:

<b>Route</b>	<b>260</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	Stanley Village – Central (Exchange Square)
<b>Service Hours</b>	<p><u>From Stanely Village:</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except public holidays) 6.30 a.m. to 9.00 p.m.</p> <p>Sundays and public holidays 8.00 a.m to 9.00 p.m.</p> <p><u>From Central (Exchange Square):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except public holidays) 7.12 a.m. to 9.00 p.m.</p> <p>Sundays and public holidays 8.10 a.m. to 9.00 p.m.</p>
<b>Routeing</b>	(Unchanged)
<b>Frequency</b>	16-20 minutes (Unchanged)
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$11.4 (Unchanged)
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	5 Double-deckers (Unchanged)

### **Arrangement after the Service Adjustment**

- The details of the new Octopus interchange concessions are tabulated below:

<b>First leg journey</b>	<b>Destination</b>	<b>Fare</b>	<b>Second leg journey</b>	<b>Destination</b>	<b>Fare</b>	<b>Discount</b>	<b>Total Fare</b>	<b>Interchange Location</b>
<b>Central Bound</b>								
Route No. 73	Cyberport (board after Repulse Bay Beach)	\$4.2 — \$4.7	Route Nos. 70/75/90/97	Central	\$5.1	\$2.2 — \$2.7	\$7.1	Aberdeen Tunnel Toll Plaza
<b>Stanley Bound</b>								
Route Nos. 70/75/90/97	Southern District	\$5.1	Route No. 73	Stanley (alight before Repulse Bay Beach)	\$6.2	\$4.2	\$7.1	San Wai, Wong Chuk Hang

- About 150 affected passengers can use Route no. 6, which charges a lower fare, to travel between Central and Stanley or use the above newly-provided Octopus interchange concessions to their destinations.

Origin	Destination	Alternative	Fare
<b>Central Bound</b>			
Between Stanley Village and Wong Chuk Hang Road	Between Wan Chai and Central	Route no. 73 interchange Route nos. 70/75/90/97	Decreased from \$7.1 – \$11.4 to \$7.1 – \$11.3
Between Stanley Village and Wong Chuk Hang Road		Route no. 73	Decreased from \$7.1 – \$11.4 to \$2.9 – \$4.9
<b>Stanley Bound</b>			
Between Wan Chai and Central	Between Wong Chuk Hang Road and Stanley Village	Route nos. 70/75/90/97 interchange Route no. 73	Decreased from \$7.1 – \$11.4 to \$7.1 – \$11.3
Between Wong Chuk Hang Road and Stanley Village		Route no. 73	Decreased from \$2.9 – \$7.1 to \$2.9 – \$6.2

**Proposed Implementation Date**2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2021

**Proposed Service Cancellation of NWFB Route no. 590****Existing Operation Details**

<b>Route</b>	<b>590</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	South Horizons – Central (Exchange Square)
<b>Service Hours</b>	<u>From South Horizons</u> Mondays to Fridays (except public holidays) 6.05 a.m. – 9 a.m.  <u>From Central (Exchange Square)</u> Mondays to Fridays (except public holidays) 5.50 p.m. – 6.30 p.m.
<b>Morning Peak Hour Frequency</b>	20-30 minutes
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$7.2
<b>Patronage</b>	Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour : 44%
<b>Vehicle allocation</b>	3 Double-deckers

**The Proposal**

- Before the commissioning of South Island Line, Route no. 590 mainly provided railway feeder service between South Horizons / Ap Lei Chau and Wan Chai Station, Admiralty Station and Central Station and service to/from Wan Chai, Admiralty and Central commercial area.
- Since the commissioning of South Island Line in December 2016, the railway network has extended to Southern District. Passengers can take railway service to destination including Wan Chai, Admiralty and Central direct at South Horizons Station and Lei Tung Station. As such, Route no. 590 has lost its role as a railway feeder service. Since the service catchment of Route no. 590 overlaps largely with that of South Island Line. And the railway service is more convenient and stable (i.e. the journey time of railway service from South Horizons to Central is about 20 minutes while that of Route no. 590 from South Horizons to Central (Exchange Square) is about 40 minutes which is more than a one-fold increase), thus many passengers switch to railway service.
- Due to change in travel pattern of the passengers, the patronage of Route no. 590 dropped significantly. The daily patronage dropped from 6,800 in 2015 to 1,300 in 2019 by 80%. Currently, the occupancy of Route no. 590 is consistently low. The maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour is 44% only and the minimum hourly occupancy is even less than 25%.
- Given the change in travel pattern and the provision of alternative bus services with cheaper and more frequent services, it is proposed to cancel the service of Route no. 590.

**Arrangement after the Service Adjustment**

- The existing 450 passengers taking NWFB Route no. 590 can take following alternative services to the destination:
  - Railway service ; or
  - The passengers at South Horizons can take CTB Route no. 90 at nearby Ap Lei Chau Estate Bus Terminus to Wan Chai, Admiralty and Central direct or make use of the bus-bus interchange concession scheme of CTB Route no. 592 and CTB Route no. 70 to Wan Chai, Admiralty and Central.
- The alternative services are whole day services and provide more frequent services with cheaper fares than that of NWFB Route no. 590. Details are below:

<b>Origin</b>	<b>Destination</b>	<b>Alternative Service</b>	<b>Fare of Alternative Service</b>
<b>Central (Exchange Square) bound</b>			
South Horizons and Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road	Wong Chuk Hang	CTB Route no. 90 or CTB Route no. 592	Decrease from \$7.2 to \$5.1
	Wan Chai to Central	CTB Route no. 90 or To interchange from CTB Route no. 592 to CTB Route no. 70	
Wong Chuk Hang	Wan Chai to Central	CTB Route no. 70	

<b>Origin</b>	<b>Destination</b>	<b>Alternative Service</b>	<b>Fare of Alternative Service</b>
<b>South Horizons bound</b>			
Central to Wan Chai	Wong Chuk Hang	CTB Route no. 70	Decrease from \$7.2 to \$5.1
	South Horizons and Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road	CTB Route no. 90 or To interchange from CTB Route no. 70 to CTB Route no. 592	
Wong Chuk Hang	South Horizons and Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road	CTB Route no. 90 or CTB Route no. 592	Decrease from \$4.3 to \$3.2

**Proposed Implementation Date**2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2021

**Proposed Relocation of Terminating Point and Adjustment of Routeing of  
CTB Route No. 43M**

**Existing Operation Details**

<b>Route</b>	<b>43M</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	Tin Wan Estate — Shek Tong Tsui (Des Voeux Road West near Hill Road) (Circular)
<b>Service Hours</b>	<u>From Tin Wan Estate:</u> Daily 5.40 a.m. to 11.50 p.m.
<b>Morning Peak Hour Frequency</b>	20 minutes
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$5.7
<b>Patronage</b>	Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour: 59 %
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	4 Double-deckers and 2 Single-deckers

**The Proposal**

- Given that existing passengers travelling in the catchment area of Route no. 43M have alternative choices in their mode of transport, such as other public transport services or bus-bus interchange, occupancy rate of the route stands low for most of the time through the day. The maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour is only 59% and even decreases to 7% to 50% in the remaining hours. Meanwhile, patronage of the route mainly travels between Tin Wan and Kennedy Town, the maximum occupancy between Kennedy Town and Shek Tong Tsui is only 26%.
- It is proposed that the headway of the route be uniformly adjusted to 30 minutes through the day and its terminating point be relocated from Shek Tong Tsui (Des Voeux Road West near Hill Road) to Kennedy Town (Belcher Bay).
- The bus company will offer free Octopus bus-bus interchange concession between Route no. 43M and Route nos. 1/5B/10, providing free Octopus interchange concession for passengers of Route no. 43M going to Shek Tong Tsui while the fare of the first leg for passengers going to the Southern District from Shek Tong Tsui will be waived so that the total fare will not higher than the existing fare. Passengers could access more destinations, e.g. Central, Wan Chai and Causeway Bay, by using the new Octopus bus-bus interchange concessions.

Details of the proposed service are as follows:

<b>Route</b>	<b>43M</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	<p>Kennedy Town (Belcher Bay Temporary Bus Terminus) — Tin Wan Estate (Circular)</p> <p>Tin Wan Estate to Kennedy Town (Belcher Bay Temporary Bus Terminus) (Special Departures During Morning Period)</p> <p>Kennedy Town (Belcher Bay Temporary Bus Terminus) to Wah Kwai (Special Departures During Night Period)</p>
<b>Service Hours</b>	<p><u>From Kennedy Town (Belcher Bay Temporary Bus Terminus):</u> Daily 6.00 a.m. to 11.00 p.m.</p> <p><u>From Tin Wan Estate (Special Departures During Morning Period):</u> Daily 5.40 a.m. to 6.10 a.m.</p> <p><u>From Kennedy Town (Belcher Bay Temporary Bus Terminus)(Special Departures During Night Period):</u> Daily 11.30 p.m. to 12.30 a.m.</p>
<b>Routeing</b>	<p><u>From Kennedy Town (Belcher Bay Temporary Bus Terminus):</u> via Shing Sai Road, Sai Cheung Street North, Sai Cheung Street, Belcher's Street, Victoria Road, Wah Chui Street, Wah King Street, Wah Fu Road, Shek Pai Wan Road, Flyover, Shek Pai Wan Road, Tin Wan Street, Tin Wan Hill Road, Flyover, Tin Wan Praya Road, Wah Kwai Bus Terminus, Tin Wan Praya Road, Aberdeen Praya Road, Shek Pai Wan Road, Wah Fu Road, Wah King Street, Wah Hong Street, Victoria Road, Cadogan Street, Catchick Street, Smithfield, Forbes Street, Cadogan Street, Kennedy Town New Praya and Shing Sai Road.</p> <p><u>From Tin Wan Estate (Special Departures During Morning Period):</u> via Tin Wan Street, Tin Wan Hill Road, Flyover, Tin Wan Praya Road, Wah Kwai Bus Terminus, Tin Wan Praya Road, Aberdeen Praya Road, Shek Pai Wan Road, Wah Fu Road, Wah King Street, Wah Hong Street, Victoria Road, Cadogan Street, Catchick Street, Smithfield, Forbes Street, Cadogan Street, Kennedy Town New Praya and Shing Sai Road.</p> <p><u>From Kennedy Town (Belcher Bay Temporary Bus Terminus) (Special Departures During Night Period):</u> via Shing Sai Road, Sai Cheung Street North, Sai Cheung Street, Belcher's Street, Victoria Road, Wah Chui Street, Wah King Street, Wah Fu Road, Shek Pai Wan Road, Flyover, Shek Pai Wan Road, Tin Wan Street, Tin Wan Hill Road, Flyover and Tin Wan Praya Road.</p>
<b>Morning Peak Hour Frequency</b>	30 minutes

<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$5.7 (Unchanged)
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	3 Double-deckers and 1 Single-decker

- To tie in with the above proposed adjustment, the bus company will offer the following new Octopus bus-bus interchange concessions:

<b>First leg journey</b>	<b>Destination</b>	<b>Fare</b>	<b>Second leg journey</b>	<b>Destination</b>	<b>Fare</b>	<b>Discount</b>	<b>Total Fare</b>	<b>Interchange location</b>
Route no. 43M	Kennedy Town	\$3.9-\$5.7	Route nos. 1/5B/10	Happy Valley/ Causeway Bay/North Point	\$3.7	\$3.7	\$3.9-\$5.7	65 Catchick Street outside Ka On Building
Route nos. 1/5B/10		\$3.7	Route no. 43M	Tin Wan Estate	\$5.7		\$5.7	102-122 Belcher's Street outside Luen Bong Apartment

### **Arrangement after Service Adjustment**

- To tie in with the proposed route adjustment, the bus company will add in new en-route stops while cancelling some existing ones as follows:

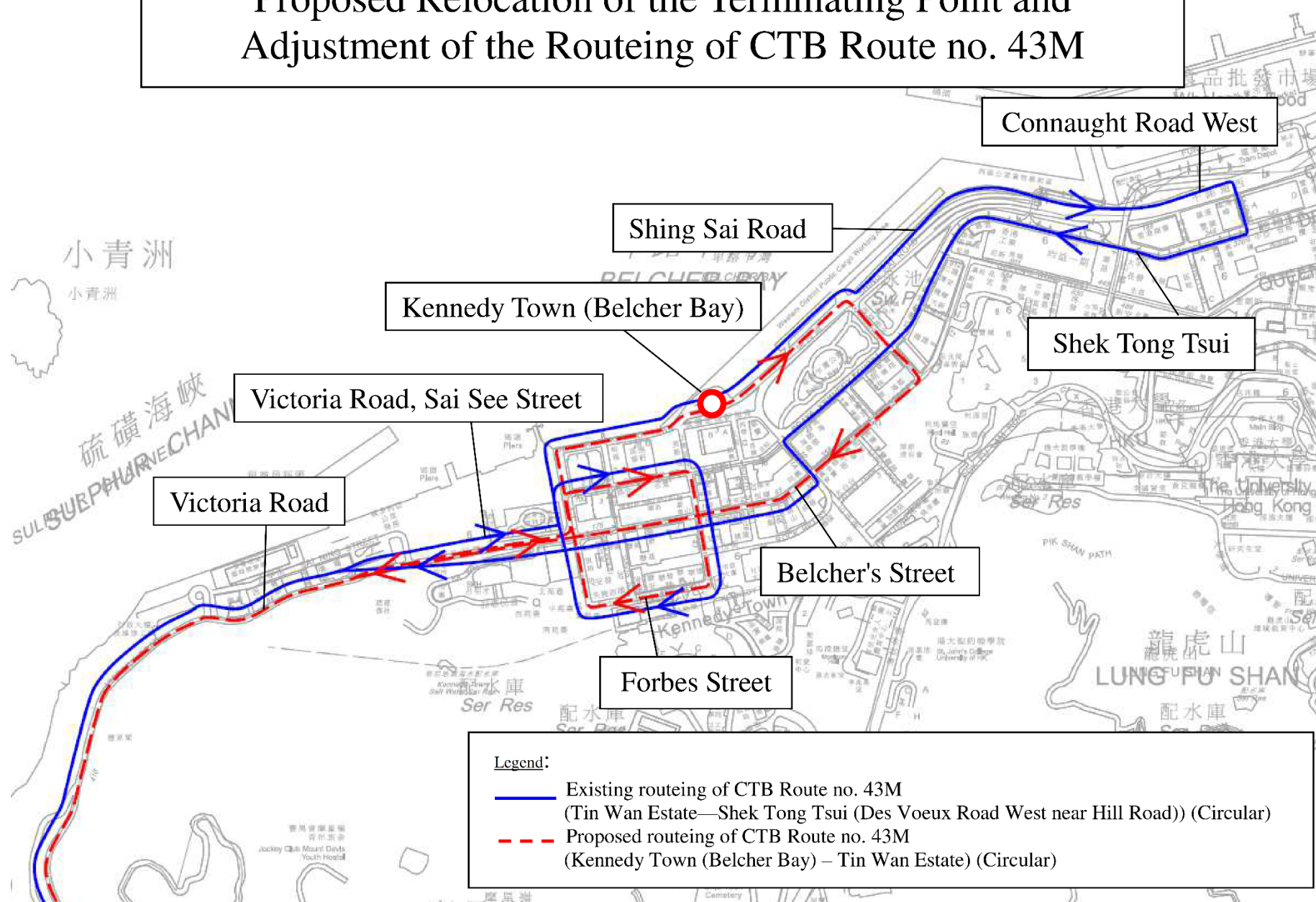
<b>New Bus Stops</b>	<b>Suspended Bus Stops</b>
1. Kennedy Town (Belcher Bay Temporary Bus Terminus)	1. 408 Des Voeux Road West before Hill Road
2. 2 Sai Cheung Street outside Belcher Court	2. 22 Praya, Kennedy Town before Sai Cheung Street
3. 22-24A Belcher's Street outside Mau Wah Mansion	3. 38 Praya, Kennedy Town outside Kennedy Town Centre

- About 775 affected passengers using Route no. 43M to and from Shek Tong Tsui and about 40 passengers to and from Wah Kwai Estate and Tin Wan Estate may use the following alternative services:

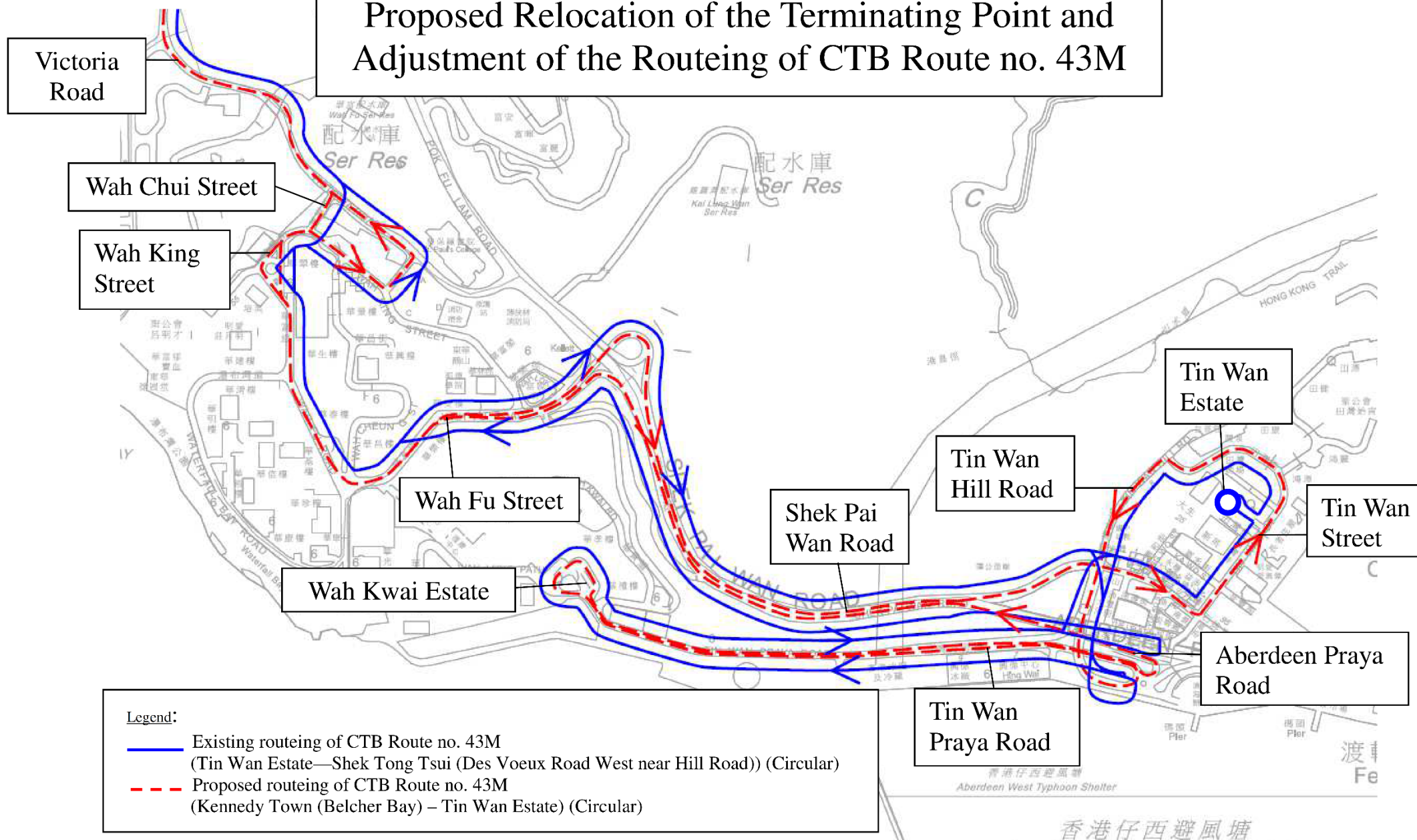
<b>Origin</b>	<b>Destination</b>	<b>Alternative</b>	<b>Fare</b>
Wah Kwai Estate	Tin Wan Estate	Route no. 78	\$3.2 to \$3.4
Between Tin Wan Estate and Island West Transfer Station, Victoria Road	Shek Tong Tsui (Des Voeux Road West near Hill Road)	Using the new bus-bus interchange concession at the same stop  Route no. 43M interchange with Route nos. 1/5B/10	\$3.9-\$5.7 (Unchanged)
Kennedy Town		Route nos. 1/5B/10	Decreased from \$3.9 to \$3.7
Shek Tong Tsui (Des Voeux Road West near Hill Road)	Kennedy Town Praya to the opposite of Serene Court, No. 80 Victoria Road	Route nos. 1/5B/10	Decreased from \$5.7 to \$3.7
	Between the opposite of Island West Transfer Station, Victoria Road and Wah Kwai Estate	Using the new bus-bus interchange concession at the same stop  Route nos. 1/5B/10 interchange with Route no. 43M	\$5.7 (Unchanged)

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# Proposed Relocation of the Terminating Point and Adjustment of the Routeing of CTB Route no. 43M



# Proposed Relocation of the Terminating Point and Adjustment of the Routeing of CTB Route no. 43M



**Proposed Reorganization of NWFB Route No. 4 and CTB Route No. 71**

**Existing Operation Details**

<b>Route</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>71</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	Wah Fu (South)—Central (Connaught Road Central) (Circular)	Wong Chuk Hang Temporary Bus Terminus — Central (Man Kat Street Bus Terminus)
<b>Service Hours</b>	<p><u>From Wah Fu (South):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 5.30 a.m. to 7.10 a.m. 8.30 a.m. to 11.50 p.m.</p> <p>Sundays &amp; Public Holidays 5.30 p.m. to 11.50 p.m.</p> <p><u>From Tin Wan Estate:</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 7.15 a.m., 7.35 a.m. and 7.55 a.m.</p>	<p><u>From Wong Chuk Hang:</u> Daily 5.35 a.m. to 11.30 p.m.</p> <p><u>From Central (Man Kat Street):</u> Daily 6.05 a.m. to 12.10 a.m.</p>
<b>Morning Peak Hour Frequency</b>	20 minutes	20-30 minutes
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$5.6	\$5.7
<b>Patronage</b>	Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour: 44%	Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour: 73%
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	5 Double -deckers	4 Double-deckers

**The Proposal**

- The routings of NWFB Route no. 4 and CTB Route no. 71 largely overlap along the section between Pok Fu Lam Road and Central, and their occupancy rates after the morning peak hours remain low, averaging at 22% and 30% respectively. Against the above background, it is suggested that the services of Route no. 4 and Route no. 71 be adjusted to meet the needs of passengers.

**Route No. 4**

- The route be extended and operated as a non-circular route terminating at Wong Chuk Hang after the morning peak hours on Mondays to Fridays (except public holidays) and for the whole day on Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays.

**Route No. 71**

- The route will provide service until the end of the morning peak hours on Mondays to Fridays (except public holidays) only.

**Advantages**

- Passengers travelling between Wong Chuk Hang and Central and back will enjoy lower fare for their journeys after the morning peak hours on weekdays and for the whole day on Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays. Additional choice is provided for passengers travelling between Wong Chuk Hang and Wah Fu.
- Upon the extension of Route no. 4 to Wong Chuk Hang, service between Central/ Sheung Wan/Sai Ying Pun and Wong Chuk Hang, via Pok Fu Lam, will be enhanced, with an addition of about 20 departures daily as compared with Route no. 71.
- Terminating at Central (Exchange Square) and operated as a non-circular route after the morning peak hours, Route no. 4 can be better coordinated with the Wah Fu bound departures of NWFB Route no. 4X to provide more stable service for passengers.

Details of the proposal are as follows:

<b>Route</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	Wah Fu (South) — Central (Connaught Road Central) (Circular)  Wong Chuk Hang Temporary Bus Terminus — Central (Exchange Square)
<b>Service Hours</b>	<p><u>From Wah Fu (South):</u> Mondays to Fridays (except Public Holidays) 5.30 a.m. to 7.10 a.m. 8.30 a.m. to 9.50 a.m.</p> <p><u>From Tin Wan Estate:</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 7.15 a.m., 7.35 a.m. and 7.55 a.m.</p> <p><u>From Wong Chuk Hang Temporary Bus Terminus:</u> Mondays to Fridays (except Public Holidays) 9.58 a.m. to 11.38 p.m.</p> <p>Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays 5.18 a.m. to 11.38 p.m.</p> <p><u>From Central (Exchange Square):</u> Mondays to Fridays (except Public Holidays) 10.35 a.m. to 12.40 a.m.</p> <p>Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays 6.00 a.m. to 12.40 a.m.</p>
<b>Morning Peak Hour Frequency</b>	20 minutes (Unchanged)

<b>Routeing</b>	<p><u>From Wah Fu (South):</u> Mondays to Fridays (except Public Holidays) at and before 9.50 a.m. (Unchanged)</p> <p><u>From Tin Wan Estate:</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) (Unchanged)</p> <p><u>From Wong Chuk Hang Temporary Bus Terminus:</u> Departures at and after 9:58 a.m. on Mondays to Fridays and departures on Saturdays (except Public Holidays) via Nam Long Shan Road, Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen Praya Road, Shek Pai Wan Road, Wah Fu Road, Wah Fu (South) Bus Terminus, Wah Fu Road, Shek Pai Wan Road, Pok Fu Lam Road, Second Street, Water Street, Des Voeux Road West, Connaught Road West, Connaught Road Central, Man Kat Street, Pier Road, Man Kat Street Bus Terminus, Man Kat Street, Connaught Road Central, Connaught Place, Man Yiu Street and Harbour View Street.</p> <p>Departures on Sundays and Public Holidays via Nam Long Shan Road, Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen Praya Road, Shek Pai Wan Road, Wah Fu Road, Wah Fu (South) Bus Terminus, Wah Fu Road, Shek Pai Wan Road, Pok Fu Lam Road, Second Street, Water Street, Des Voeux Road West, Connaught Road West, Connaught Road Central, Man Kwong Street, Man Yiu Street and Harbour View Street.</p> <p><u>From Central (Exchange Square):</u> Departures at and after 10:35 a.m. on Mondays to Fridays and departures on Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays via Connaught Road Central, Connaught Road Central turnaround, Connaught Road Central, Jubilee Street, Queen's Road Central, Queen's Road West, Pok Fu Lam Road, Shek Pai Wan Road, Wah Fu Road, Wah Fu (South) Bus Terminus, Wah Fu Road, Shek Pai Wan Road, Aberdeen Praya Road, Aberdeen Main Road, Wong Chuk Hang Road and Nam Long Shan Road.</p>
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$5.6 (Unchanged)
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	5 Double-deckers (Unchanged)

<b>Route</b>	<b>71</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	Wong Chuk Hang Temporary Bus Terminus — Central (Man Kat Street Bus Terminus)
<b>Service Hours</b>	<u>From Wong Chuk Hang Temporary Bus Terminus:</u> Mondays to Fridays (except Public Holidays) 5.35 a.m. to 9.40 a.m.  <u>From Central (Man Kat Street Bus Terminus):</u> Mondays to Fridays (except Public Holidays) 6.05 a.m. to 9.35 a.m.
<b>Morning Peak Hour Frequency</b>	20-30 minutes (Unchanged)
<b>Routeing</b>	<u>From Wong Chuk Hang Temporary Bus Terminus:</u> (Unchanged)  <u>From Central (Man Kat Street Bus Terminus):</u> (Unchanged)
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$5.7 (Unchanged)
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	4 Double-deckers (Unchanged)

- To tie in with the above proposed re-routeing, the bus company will offer the following new Octopus bus-bus interchange concessions:

First leg journey	Destination	Fare	Second leg journey	Destination	Fare	Discount	Total Fare	Interchange Location
<b>Central-bound</b>								
Route no. 48	Wah Fu	\$3.2	Route no. 7	Central	\$5.7	\$3.2	\$5.7	Aberdeen Promenade, Aberdeen Praya Road
<b>Southern District-bound</b>								
Route no. 7	Shek Pai Wan	\$4.3- \$5.7	Route no. 48	Sham Wan	\$3.2	\$3.2	\$4.3- \$5.7	St. Peter's Church, Aberdeen Main Road

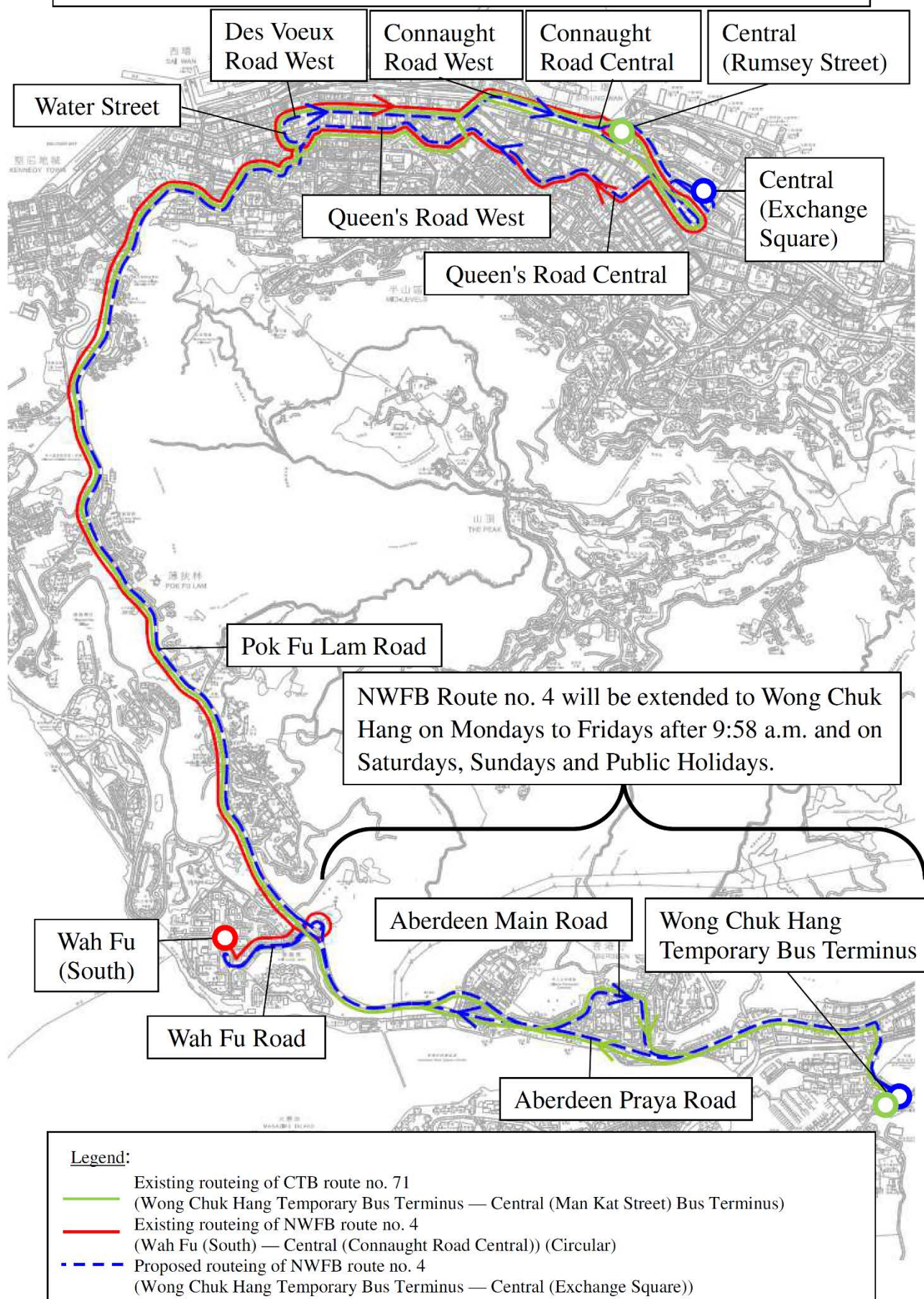
**Arrangement after Service Adjustment**

- About 80 affected passengers of Route no. 4 could continue to take Route no. 4 at the alternative bus stops listed below. In addition, about 2,750 passengers of Route no. 71 could use the following alternative bus services. The fares of most of these alternatives are lower than that of Route no. 71. Details are as follows:

Route	Origin	Destination	Alternative	Fare
4	Outside Shun Tak Centre, Connaught Road Central	Between Central and Wah Fu	Opposite to Sheung Wan Municipal Services Building / Civic Centre, Queen's Road Central	\$5.6 (Unchanged)
	Central (Man Kat Street Bus Terminus)		Outside the head office of Hang Seng Bank, Connaught Road Central	
71	Between Wong Chuk Hang and Tin Wan	Between Wong Chuk Hang and Tin Wan	Route no. 48	Decreased from \$5.7 to \$3.2
		Between Pok Fu Lam and Central	Route no. 4	Decreased from \$5.7 to \$5.6
	Between Pok Fu Lam and Central		Route nos. 7 / 4	Route no. 7 \$3.7-\$4.5 (Unchanged)  Route no. 4 \$3.7-\$4.5 to \$3.8-\$4.6
	Between Central and Pok Fu Lam	Between Central and Pok Fu Lam	Route no. 4	Decreased from \$4.5-\$5.7 to \$4.3-5.6
		Between Tin Wan and Wong Chuk Hang		
	Between Tin Wan and Wong Chuk Hang		Route nos. 48 / 4	\$3.2 (Unchanged)

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## Proposed Reorganization of NWFB Route no. 4 and CTB Route no. 71



### **Proposed Service Hours Adjustment of NWFB Route 94A**

#### **Existing operation details**

<b>Route</b>	<b>94A</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	Wah Fu (Central) to Lei Tung Estate (circular)/ Wah Fu (Central) to Lei Tung Estate (special departure)
<b>Service Hours</b>	<u>From Wah Fu (Central):</u> Daily 6 a.m. – 11 p.m.  <u>From Wah Fu (Central) (special departure):</u> Mondays to Fridays (except public holidays) 7.35 a.m. (one departure)
<b>Morning Peak Hours Frequency</b>	9 – 15 minutes
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$3.4
<b>Patronage</b>	Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour : 45%
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	3 Double-deckers

#### **The proposal**

- As the service catchment of NWFB Route no. 94A largely overlaps with CTB Routes nos. 48 and 98 which are more frequent and cheaper, the patronage of NWFB Route 94A is consistently low. The maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour is only 45%. The occupancy further drops after school hours and the lowest hourly occupancy is even as low as 5%.
- It is proposed to convert NWFB Route no. 94A to school day operation only and to advance the last departure time to 4.30 p.m. to meet the major passenger demand. The proposed details of NWFB Route no. 94A are at **Appendix**.
- To tie in with the above proposed service adjustment of Route no. 94A, the bus operators will offer following **new** Octopus bus-bus interchange concessions to provide more choices for the passengers travelling between Wah Fu/Tin Wan and Lei Tung whole day. Details are as **Table 1**:

**Table 1**

First Leg	Origin	Fare	Second Leg	Destination	Fare	Discount	Total Fare	Interchange location
Lei Tung bound								
CTB Route 48	Sham Wan	\$3.2 <sup>#</sup>	CTB Route no. 98	Lei Tung	\$2.7	\$2.5	\$3.4	Yip Yee Mansion
			NWFB Route no. 91	Ap Lei Chau	\$3.4	\$3.2		
CTB Route 73	Stanley		CTB Route no. 98	Lei Tung	\$2.7	\$2.5		
			NWFB Route no. 91	Ap Lei Chau	\$3.4	\$3.2		
Wah Fu (Central) bound								
CTB Route 98	Aberdeen	\$2.7	CTB Route no. 48	Wah Fu	\$3.2	\$2.5	\$3.4	Ocean Court
			CTB Route no. 73	Cyberport				

<sup>#</sup> CTB Route no. 73 provides a two-way section fare from Wah Fu (North) to Wong Chuk Hang San Wai which amounts to \$3.2.

**Arrangement after the Service Adjustment**

- There are about 840 passengers taking Route no. 94A after 4.30 p.m. on Mondays to Fridays on school days, 3,100 passengers taking the route on Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays and 2,400 passengers taking the route on Mondays to Fridays on non-school days.
- Majority of the existing passengers of NWFB Route no. 94A (more than 70%) can take CTB Route no. 48 between Wah Fu and Aberdeen or CTB Route no. 98 between Lei Tung and Aberdeen. Both CTB Route nos. 48 and 78 provide more frequent and cheaper bus services. Details are at **Table 2**:

**Table 2**

<b>Origin</b>	<b>Destination</b>	<b>Alternative Service</b>	<b>Fare of Alternative Service</b>
Wah Fu and Tin Wan	Tin Wan and Aberdeen	CTB Route no. 48 or Route no. 73	Decrease from \$3.4 to \$3.2
	Lei Tung	To interchange from CTB Route no. 48 or Route no. 73 to CTB Route no. 98 or NWFB Route no. 91	\$3.4 (unchanged)
Aberdeen	Lei Tung	CTB Route no. 98	Decrease from \$3.4 to \$2.7
	Tin Wan and Wah Fu	CTB Route no. 48 or Route no. 73	Decrease from \$3.4 to \$3.2
Lei Tung	Aberdeen	CTB Route no. 98	Decrease from \$3.4 to \$2.7
	Tin Wan and Wah Fu	To interchange from CTB Route no. 98 to CTB Route no. 48 or Route no. 73	\$3.4 (unchanged)
Tin Wan	Wah Fu	CTB Route no. 48 or Route no. 73	Decrease from \$3.4 to \$3.2

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**Proposed Operation Details of NWFB Route no. 94A**

<b>Route</b>	<b>94A</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	Wah Fu (Central) to Lei Tung Estate (Circular)(unchanged)/ Wah Fu (Central) to Lei Tung Estate (special departure)(unchanged)
<b>Service Hours</b>	<u>From Wah Fu (Central):</u> Mondays to Fridays (except school days and public holidays) 6 a.m. – 4.30 p.m.  <u>From Wah Fu (Central) (special departure):</u> Mondays to Fridays (except school days and public holidays) 7.35 a.m. (one departure)(unchanged)
<b>Morning Peak Hour Frequency</b>	9 – 15 minutes (unchanged)
<b>Routeing</b>	Unchanged
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$3.4(unchanged)
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	3 Double-deckers (unchanged)

**Proposed Cancellation of CTB Route No. 97A****Existing Operation Details**

<b>Route</b>	<b>97A</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	Main Street, Ap Lei Chau—Wong Chuk Hang (Circular)
<b>Service Hours</b>	<p><u>From Main Street, Ap Lei Chau:</u>  Mondays to Fridays (except Public Holidays)  7.25 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.  4.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.</p> <p>Saturdays  9.20 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.</p> <p><u>From Lei Tung:</u>  Mondays to Fridays (except Public Holidays)  6.30 a.m. to 8.35 a.m.</p> <p>Saturdays  6.30 a.m. to 8.40 a.m.</p>
<b>Morning Peak Hour Frequency</b>	15-35 minutes
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$2.7
<b>Patronage</b>	Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour: 38%
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	1 Double-decker

**The Proposal**

- Route no. 97A mainly serves passengers to and from Ap Lei Chau and Wong Chuk Hang. Since the commissioning of the MTR South Island Line in December 2016, most passengers could use railway services between Lei Tung station and Wong Chuk Hang station.
- As Route no. 97A duplicates largely with MTR South Island Line, many the passengers have switched to travel by railway services, which is more convenient and stable. (The travelling time from Lei Tung station to Wong Chuk Hang station is only 5 minutes, while the travelling time of Route no. 97A from Lei Tung to Wong Chuk Hang is around 20 minutes) Due to the change of travelling pattern of passengers, the average daily patronage of Route no. 97A dropped significantly from 1,010 in 2015 to 540 in 2019, resulting a drop of over 50%. The patronage of Route no. 97A remains consistently low currently, with the maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour at 38% and the lowest hourly occupancy below 10%.

- Taking into consideration the change of travelling pattern of passengers, in which they mainly choose the more frequent service of South Island Line to their destinations, it is proposed to cancel Route no. 97A.

**Arrangement after the Service Adjustment**

- Affected passengers may use the existing Octopus interchange concessions for journeys connecting Route no. 98 with Route nos. 48 and 78. In addition, the following Octopus **same-day-return** concessions for journeys between Main Street, Ap Lei Chau / Lei Tung Estate and Wong Chuk Hang will be offered to tie in with the proposed adjustment. The new Octopus **same-day-return** concessions can provide more choices and flexibility for passengers.

<b>First leg journey (Outbound)</b>	<b>Destination</b>	<b>Fare</b>	<b>Second leg journey (Return Trip)</b>	<b>Destination</b>	<b>Fare</b>	<b>Discount</b>	<b>Total Fare</b>
Route nos. 90/90C/96	Central / Causeway Bay	\$5.1	Route nos. 90/96	Ap Lei Chau Estate / Lei Tung Estate (Board after Aberdeen Tunnel Toll Plaza)	\$3.2	\$2.9	\$5.4 (Same as the current round-trip fare of taking Route no. 97A)
Route nos. 90/96	Ap Lei Chau Estate / Lei Tung Estate (Board after Aberdeen Tunnel Toll Plaza)	\$3.2	Route nos. 90/96	Central / Causeway Bay	\$5.1		

- Affected passengers may use the following alternative services in addition to the above new Octopus same-day-return concession:

Origin	Destination	Alternative	Fare
Main Street, Ap Lei Chau / Lei Tung Estate	Wong Chuk Hang	Route nos. 90/90C/96	A total of \$5.40 (Unchanged)
	Sham Wan	Route no. 98 interchange with Route nos. 48/78	\$2.7 (Unchanged)
Wong Chuk Hang	Main Street, Ap Lei Chau / Lei Tung Estate	Route nos. 90/96	A total of \$5.40 (Unchanged)
Sham Wan		Route nos. 48/78 interchange with route nos. 90/592/96/97/99	\$2.7 to \$3.2 - \$3.4
Between Wong Chuk Hang and Sham Wan		Route nos. 48/78	

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**Proposed Reorganization of CTB Route Nos. 6A and 6X**

**Existing Operation Details**

<b>Route</b>	<b>6A</b>	<b>6X</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	Central (Exchange Square) — Stanley Fort Gate	Central (Exchange Square) — Stanley Village
<b>Service Hours</b>	<u>From Stanley Fort Gate:</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 5.30 p.m., 6.00 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. (3 departures)  <u>From Central (Exchange Square):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 7.00 a.m. to 8.20 a.m. (5 departures)	<u>From Stanley Village / Stanley Prison:</u> Mondays to Saturdays 6.50 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. Sundays and Public Holidays 7.30 a.m. to 8.00 p.m.  <u>From Central (Exchange Square):</u> Mondays to Saturdays 7.50 a.m. to 7.45 p.m. Sundays and Public Holidays 7.00 a.m. to 7.35 p.m.
<b>Morning Peak Hour Frequency</b>	20 minutes	18-25 minutes
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$9.0	\$9.0
<b>Patronage</b>	Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour: 61%	Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour: 59%
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	3 Double-deckers	5 Double-deckers

**The Proposal**

- Route no. 6A provides service for passengers to travel from the Stanley Fort/Wong Ma Kok Road area to Wan Chai/Admiralty/Central. However, the catchment area of the route largely overlaps with that of Route no. 6X. The occupancy rates of both routes in the morning peak hours were only 61% and 59% respectively, and 37% and 54% in the evening peak hours. Against the above background, it is suggested that the services of Route no. 6A and Route no. 6X be adjusted.

**Route No. 6A**

- It is proposed that the three Central-bound departures in the evening peak hours be cancelled. Affected passengers may take the adjusted Route no. 6X to go to their destinations.

**Route No. 6X**

- To tie in with the proposed adjustment of Route no. 6A, it is proposed that three of the afternoon trips of Route no. 6X be extended to start at Stanley Fort, and an additional double decker be deployed.

Details of the proposal are as follows:

<b>Route</b>	<b>6A</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	Central (Exchange Square) to Stanley Fort Gate
<b>Service Hours</b>	Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 7.00 a.m. to 8.20 a.m.
<b>Morning Peak Hour Frequency</b>	20 minutes
<b>Routeing</b>	(Unchanged)
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$9.0 (Unchanged)
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	3 Double-deckers (Unchanged)

<b>Route</b>	<b>6X</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	Central (Exchange Square) — Stanley Village Stanley Prison to Central (Exchange Square) (Special Departure) Stanley Fort Gate to Central (Exchange Square) (Special Departure)
<b>Service Hours</b>	<u>From Central (Exchange Square):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) (Unchanged)  <u>From Stanley Village / Stanley Prison:</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) (Unchanged)  <u>From Stanley Fort Gate:</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 5.25 p.m., 6.00 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. (3 departures)
<b>Routeing</b>	<u>From Central (Exchange Square):</u> (Unchanged)

	<p><u>From Stanley Village:</u> (Unchanged)</p> <p><u>From Stanley Prison (Special Departure):</u> (Unchanged)</p> <p><u>From Stanley Fort Gate (Special Departure):</u> via <b><u>Stanley Fort Gate roundabout, Wong Ma Kok Road,</u></b> Stanley Village Road, Stanley Village Bus Terminus, Stanley Village Road, Carmel Road, Ma Hang Public Transport Interchange, Carmel Road, Cape Road, Chung Hom Kok Road, Chung Hom Kok Road Roundabout, Chung Hom Kok Road, Stanley Gap Road, Repulse Bay Road, Island Road, Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen Tunnel, Wong Nai Chung Road, Queen's Road East, Queensway, Queen's Road Central, Pedder Street, Connaught Place and Harbour View Street.</p>
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$9.0 (Unchanged)
<b>Morning Peak Hour Frequency</b>	18-25 minutes
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	5 Double-deckers (Unchanged)

**Arrangement after the Service Adjustment**

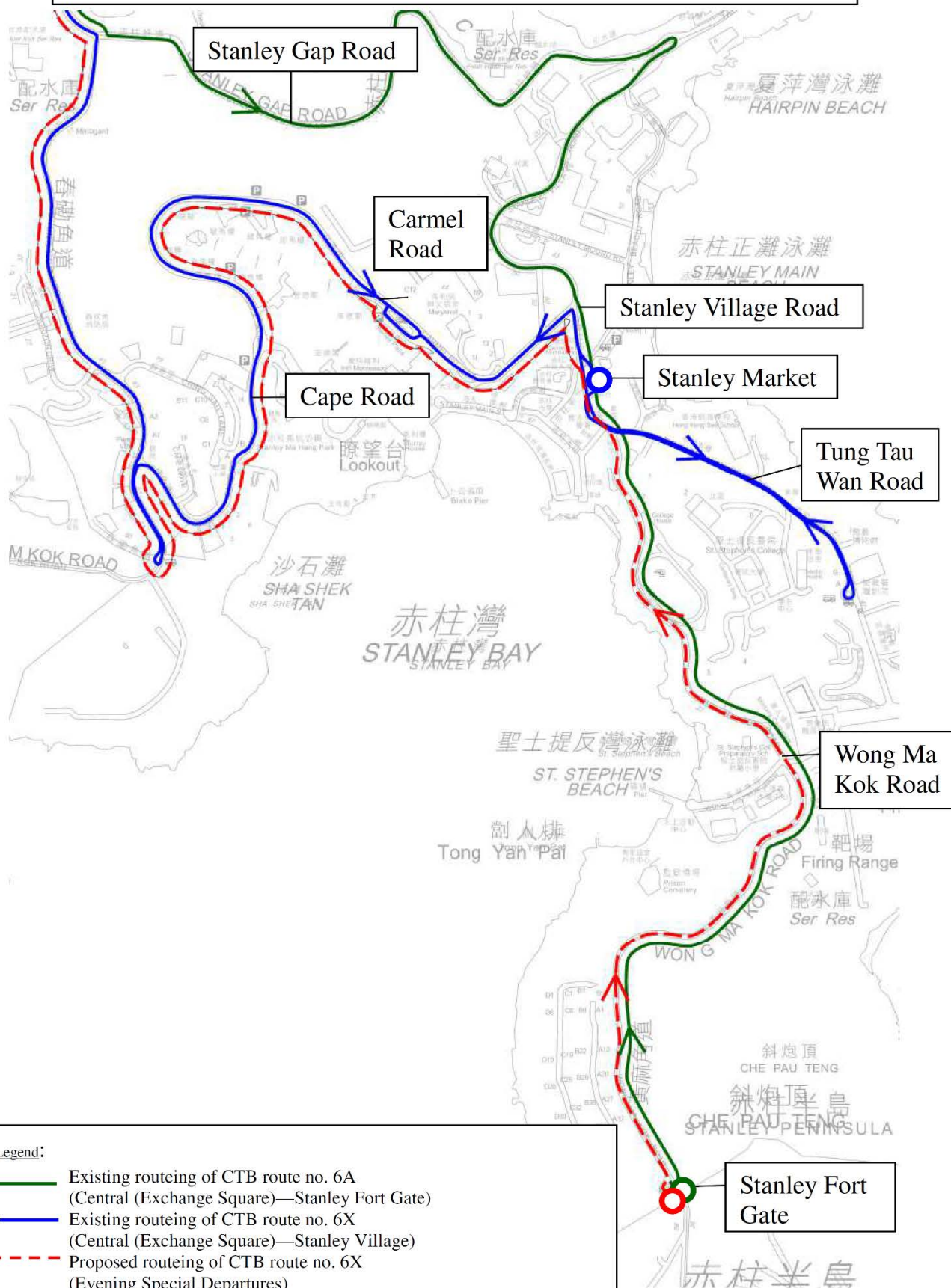
- About 110 passengers of those three evening peak departures to Central could take the following bus routes to their destinations.

<b>Origin</b>	<b>Destination</b>	<b>Alternative</b>	<b>Fare</b>
Stanley Fort Gate	Stanley Village	Route no. 6X	\$2.9 (Unchanged)
Stanley Fort Gate	Stanley Village Road	Route no. 6X interchange with Route no. 6 free of charge by Octopus cards	\$4.9 (Unchanged)
Stanley Fort Gate and Stanley Village Road	Stanley Gap Road	Route no. 6X interchange with Route no. 6 free of charge by Octopus cards	\$4.9 (Unchanged)
Stanley Fort, Wong Ma Kok Road, Stanley Village Road, Repulse Bay and Deep Water Bay	Central	Route no. 6X	\$9.0 (Unchanged)

**Proposed Implementation Date**

4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2021

## Proposed Adjustment of the Routeing of CTB Route no. 6X



**Proposed Adjustment of the Routeing and Service of CTB Route no. 973****Existing Operation Details**

<b>Route</b>	<b>973</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	Tsim Sha Tsui East (Mody Road) — Stanley
<b>Service Hours</b>	<p><u>From Stanley:</u> Mondays to Fridays (except public holidays) 6.55 a.m. to 10.05 p.m.</p> <p>Saturdays (except public holidays) 7.05 a.m. to 10.05 p.m.</p> <p>Sundays and public holidays 8.05 a.m. to 10.05 p.m.</p> <p><u>From Tsim Sha Tsui East (Mody Road):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except public holidays) 8.30 a.m. to 10.05 p.m.</p> <p>Sundays and public holidays 8.00 a.m. to 10.05 p.m.</p> <p>Note 1: Departures of 6.55 a.m., 7.20 a.m. and 7.42 a.m. on Mondays to Fridays (except public holidays) from Stanley will route via Sham Wan.</p> <p>Note 2: The following departures will route via Ocean Park: <u>From Tsim Sha Tsui East (Mody Road):</u> Saturdays (except public holidays) 8.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.</p> <p>Sundays and public holidays 8.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.</p> <p><u>From Stanley:</u> Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays 3.05 p.m. to 7.35 p.m.</p>
<b>Morning Peak Hour Frequency</b>	15 – 30 minutes
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$14.5
<b>Patronage</b>	Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour: 53%
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	4 Double-deckers

**The Proposal**

- The occupancy rate of cross-harbour Route no. 973 is consistently low at around 24% in average and about 53% during the busiest one hour of the day. Its occupancy rate after evening peak hours drops to only 12% to 20%.
- Currently, both bounds of Route no. 973 are travelling via Tung Tau Wan Road and Stanley Prison, but the number of passengers boarding and alighting on such road sections is very small, accounting for only about 2% of the daily patronage and has lengthened the journey time.
- Against the reasons above, it was proposed to adjust the last departure time for both bound to 7 p.m. and the routeings for both bounds to omit Tung Tau Wan Road and Stanley Prison in the Bus Route Planning Programme 2020-21. After considering the comments from District Councils, it is proposed that:
  - the last departure time for both bound be adjusted to 9 p.m.;
  - the headway before 7 p.m. and between 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. be adjusted to 30 minutes and 60 minutes respectively;
  - the routeings for both bounds be adjusted to omit Tung Tau Wan Road and Stanley Prison which can save approximately 5 minutes in journey time; and
  - new interchange concessions between Route no. 73 and Route nos. 970/970X and between Route no. 973 and Route nos. 6 / 6X / 73 / 260 be provided in parallel to provide passengers with more choices and lower fare.

Details of the proposal are as follows:

<b>Route</b>	<b>973</b>
<b>Terminating Points</b>	Tsim Sha Tsui East (Mody Road) — Stanley
<b>Routeing</b>	<p><u>From Stanley:</u> Stanley Village Road, Carmel Road, Ma Hang Estate Public Transport Interchange, Carmel Road, Cape Road, Chung Hom Kok Road, Stanley Gap Road, Repulse Bay Road, Island Road, Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen Praya Road, Shek Pai Wan Road, Pok Fu Lam Road, Second Street, Water Street, Connaught Road West, Western Harbour Crossing, West Kowloon Highway, Jordan Road Bridge, Jordan Road, Wui Man Road, Wui Cheung Road, Canton Road, Kowloon Park Drive and Salisbury Road.</p> <p><u>From Tsim Sha Tsui East (Mody Road):</u> Mody Road, Chatham Road (South), Salisbury Road, Hong Chong Road, Hong Tat Path, Cheong Wan Road, Chatham Road South, Salisbury Road, Kowloon Park Drive, Canton Road, Salisbury Road, Kowloon Park Drive, Canton Road, Jordan Road, Lin Cheung Road, West Kowloon Highway, Western Harbour Crossing, flyover, Connaught Road West, Western Street, Queen's Road West, Pok Fu Lam Road, Shek Pai Wan Road, Aberdeen Praya Road, Aberdeen Main Road, Wong Chuk Hang Road, Island Road, Repulse Bay Road, Stanley Gap Road, Chung Hom Kok Road, Cape Road, Carmel Road, Ma Hang Estate Public Transport Interchange, Carmel Road and Stanley Village Road.</p>
<b>Service Hours</b>	<p><u>From Stanley:</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except public holidays) 7.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m.</p> <p>Sundays and public holidays 8.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m.</p> <p><u>From Tsim Sha Tsui East (Mody Road):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except public holidays) 8.30 a.m. to 9.00 p.m.</p> <p>Sundays and public holidays 8.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m.</p> <p>Note 1: Departures of 7.00 a.m., 7.30 a.m. and 8.00 a.m. on Mondays to Fridays (except public holidays) from Stanley will route via Sham Wan</p> <p>Note 2: The following departures will route via Ocean Park: <u>From Tsim Sha Tsui East (Mody Road):</u> Saturdays (except public holidays) 8.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.</p>

	<p>Sundays and public holidays 8.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.</p> <p><u>From Stanley:</u> Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays 3.00 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.</p>
<b>Morning Peak Hour Frequency</b>	30 minutes
<b>Full Fare per Single Journey</b>	\$14.5 (Unchanged)
<b>Vehicle Allocation</b>	4 Double-deckers (Unchanged)

- To tie in with the above proposed re-routeing, the bus company will offer the following new Octopus bus-bus interchange concessions:

First leg journey	Destination	Fare	Second leg journey	Destination	Fare	Discount	Total Fare	Interchange location
Between Tung Tau Wan Road and Kowloon								
Route nos. 6,6X,260,73	Stanley	\$2.9	Route no. 973	Tsim Sha Tsui	\$14.5	\$2.9	\$14.5	Stanley Village
Route no. 973	Stanley	\$14.5/6.5/5.1	Route nos. 6,6X,260,73	Stanley	\$2.9	\$2.9	\$14.5/6.5/5.1	
Between Stanley and Kowloon after the operating hours of Route no. 973								
Kowloon Bound								
Route no. 73	Cyberport	\$6.2	Route no. 970	So Uk, Cheung Sha Wan	\$11.7	\$3.4	\$14.5	Wah Fu Road
			Route no. 970X					Aberdeen Praya Road
Stanley Bound								
Route no. 970	Cyberport	\$11.7	Route no. 73	Stanley	\$6.2	\$3.4	\$14.5	Wah Fu Road
Route no. 970X	Aberdeen							Shek Pai Wan Road

**Arrangement after the Service Adjustment**

- Owing to the proposed re-routeing of Route no. 973 which omit Tung Tau Wan Road and Stanley Prison, about 80 passengers boarding and alighting at the above road sections can use the newly introduced Octopus interchange concessions travelling between Tung Tau Wan Road and Stanley Prison.
- Owing to the proposed adjustment of the last departure times, about 70 affected passengers can use the newly introduced Octopus interchange concessions travelling between Kowloon and Stanley.

**Proposed Implementation Date**

2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2021

# Proposed Adjustment of the Routeing of CTB Route no. 973

