

Bus Route Planning Programme for Southern District 2022-2023

Purpose

This paper elaborates and seeks the views of Members on the Bus Route Planning Programme (BRPP) for Southern District 2022-2023.

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 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 passenger demand. Meanwhile, through rationalising the bus routes and deploying the resources thus saved to enhance those existing services with increased demand or introduce new bus services, TD aims to achieve better utilisation of resources and ensure that passenger demand are aptly addressed while bus services develop with sustainability.

3. With respect to bus services on Hong Kong Island, following the commissioning of the West Island Line and South Island Line (East) respectively in March 2015 and December 2016, changes in residents' travel demand and patterns have led to a substantial drop in franchised bus patronage. As of November 2021, the patronage figures of bus routes on Hong Kong Island operated by Citybus Limited (Franchise 1) and New World First Bus Services Limited had seen cumulative decreases of about 24% and 13% respectively since the commissioning of the West Island Line.

4. In this connection, TD will review and rationalise franchised bus services on Hong Kong Island in a holistic approach. With the reorganisation of bus routes in the district, route rationalisation will achieve the greatest complementary effects.

BRPP for 2022-2023

5. In response to changes in residents' travel demand and patterns, we have devised a draft BRPP for 2022-2023 having regard to the views of the local communities and following discussion with the franchised bus companies. The table attached provides proposals under the BRPP for Southern District and Annexes 1 to 7 set out the details.

6. In formulating the BRPP, TD and the franchised bus companies have made reference to the following guidelines on bus service adjustment. In addition, TD will give appropriate regard to the overall public transport service network and allow

flexibility for more effective utilisation of bus resources, ensuring that the service adjustment of bus routes will achieve the greatest efficiency.

Serving needs

7. To tie in with demographic changes, TD will increase bus trip frequencies in accordance with the existing passenger demand for bus service or introduce new bus services as appropriate.

(1) Frequency Improvement

8. Where the occupancy rate of a bus route reaches 90% and 75% during the 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, TD and the franchised bus companies will consider increasing its trip frequency. Apart from 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

9. We will consider the introduction of new bus services having regard to community developments of individual districts, particularly population growth in the New Territories. New bus routes and additional bus trips, particularly those plying between the New Territories and the urban areas, may inevitably lead to heavier traffic flow in busy road sections in the urban areas. In considering the introduction of new bus services, we will as far as possible avoid the busy road sections of busy spots in the urban areas and reduce the number of bus trips of other routes operating via these road sections. As mass carriers, buses are more effective in utilising busy road sections than other road-based transport vehicles such as private cars. Overall speaking, an increased number of passengers using bus services will be conducive to alleviating traffic congestion in busy road sections.

(3) Interchange Schemes

10. We have been working with the 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

11. For bus routes with low utilisation, we will review them with the franchised bus companies from time to time and implement various measures to enhance their efficiency in light of their actual performance. These include adjustment to the headway and service hours of existing routes, or truncation, amalgamation and cancellation of routes, etc. as appropriate.

(1) Frequency Reduction

12. Where the average occupancy rate of a route falls below 75% during the busiest half-hour of the peak period, or below 30% during the off-peak period, TD and the franchised bus companies will give consideration to reducing service frequency. However, in cases where such a route serves the actual travel needs of the district with no alternatives available (including bus-bus interchange schemes), or the peak headway of the route is already set at 15 minutes or more and off-peak headway at 30 minutes or more, TD and the franchised bus companies will, according to individual circumstances, consider measures including firstly deploying single deck buses to replace double deck buses for better utilisation of bus resources and enhancement of the overall efficiency of the bus service network.

(2) Route Cancellation / Amalgamation

13. To ensure proper use of resources, where the utilisation of a low-frequency route is not high (i.e. with occupancy rate during the busiest one hour lower than 50% despite its headways being maintained at only 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 alternative services available, along with their service levels and fares.

(3) Route Truncation

14. To optimise the use of resources, TD will examine the patronage of individual routes with the franchised bus companies from time to time to see, for example, whether the majority of passengers have alighted en-route, and thus explore the feasibility of route truncation. As a reference benchmark, we will check whether the route's occupancy rate falls below the range of 20% to 30% at the proposed terminating points during the busiest one hour, for determining whether it should be truncated. Moreover, we will see if there are roadside spaces along the route to accommodate interchange facilities for passengers to connect to other bus routes to their destinations.

Advice Sought

15. Members are invited to give views on the BRPP for Southern District 2022-2023.

**Transport Department
February 2022**

Bus Route Planning Programme for Southern District 2022-23
Items of Improvement of Bus Services
(Routes of Hong Kong Island)

| Proposed Implementat ion Date | Bus Company | Route No. | Terminating Points | Morning Peak Headway # Non-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 | |
| 3rd Quarter of 2022 | NWFB | 30X | Cyberport to Central (Exchange Square) (Circular) | 15-20 | 15-20 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 1 | To extend the routing to Admiralty (East) and convert as a non-circular route terminating at Admiralty (East). Please refer to <u>Annex 1</u> for details. |
| 3rd Quarter of 2022 | CTB | 70 | Central (Exchange Square) - Wah Kwai | 15-25 | 9-12 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 7 | 0 | -4 | Details of the proposed Rationalisation of Route Nos. 70, 70A and 70P are as follows: |
| | | 70A | Central (Exchange Square) to Aberdeen Bus Terminus | 2 PM Trips | - | 0 | [1] | 0 | 0 | 0 | [-1] | [1] The service frequency of Route No. 70 will be adjusted and combined departures plying between Aberdeen and Central will be jointly operated by Route Nos. 70 and 70P; [2] Route Nos. 70 (special departures from Aberdeen) and 70A will be amalgamated with Route No. 70P; and [3] Extend the service of Route No. 70P to a whole day service that operates until evening peak hours and provide return trip service from Central to Shek Pai Wan. |
| | | 70P | Shek Pai Wan Estate Public Transport Interchange to Central (Exchange Square) | 5 AM Trips | 7-25 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 4 | Please refer to <u>Annex 2</u> for details. |
| | | 76 | Shek Pai Wan Estate Public Transport Interchange – Causeway Bay (Pennington Street) (Circular) | 30 | 30 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Details of the proposed services are as follows: [1] The terminating point will be relocated from Shek Pai Wan Estate Public Transport Interchange to Wong Chuk Hang Station and the routing will be shortened to ply between Wong Chuk Hang Station and Causeway Bay with headway adjusted to every 60 minutes during the time between two peak periods; and [2] The morning special departure on school days will be altered to operate at 7:20 a.m. departing from Wong Chuk Hang and a new afternoon special departure will operate at 3:30 p.m. on school days plying between Wong Chuk Hang Station and Causeway Bay (Pennington Street). Please refer to <u>Annex 2</u> for details. |

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| | | | | Existing (Minutes) | Proposed (Minutes) | Single Decker | Double Decker | Single Decker | Double Decker | Single Decker | Double Decker | |
| 3rd Quarter of 2022 | NWFB | 38 | Chi Fu Fa Yuen - North Point Ferry Pier | 7 - 11 | 7 - 11 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0 | It is proposed to reorganize Route No. 38 and Route No. 42 as follows: <u>Route No. 38</u> To re-route via Wah Fu for both bounds and re-route via Aberdeen Main Road for North Point bound for departures from Mondays to Saturdays (after 10.00 a.m., except Public Holidays), and adjust the service hours. <u>Route No. 42</u> To adjust the service hours and operate in morning peak hours from Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) only Please refer to <u>Annex 3</u> for details. |
| | NWFB | 42 | Wah Fu (South) - North Point Ferry Pier | 10-12 | 10-12 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0 | |
| 3rd Quarter of 2022 | NWFB | 91 | Ap Lei Chau Estate / South Horizons – Central (Central Ferry Piers) | 15-20 | 15-20 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 3 | It is proposed to cancel Route No. 94 and adjust the service of Route No. 91 as follows: [1] Re-route via Lei Tung Estate for the whole day, and adjust the first departure time from Ap Lei Chau Estate to 5.45 a.m.; [2] Among the four existing special departures from South Horizons, three of them will also re-route via Lei Tung Estate; and [3] Cancel the morning special departures from Ap Lei Chau Estate/Central Ferry Piers that skip Lei Tung Estate. Please refer to <u>Annex 4</u> for details. |
| | NWFB | 94 | Lei Tung Estate - Central (Central Ferry Piers) | 15-20 | - | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -6 | |
| 3rd Quarter of 2022 | CTB | 96 | Lei Tung Estate – Causeway Bay (Moreton Terrace) | 15-25 | - | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -3 | Details of the proposed services are as follows: [1] To amalgamate Route No. 96 with Route No. 99; and [2] The routing of Route No. 99 (Shau Kei Wan bound) will be altered to travel via Canal Road West, Gloucester Road and Causeway Road with the extension of service hours and frequency improvement. Please refer to <u>Annex 5</u> for details. |
| | | 99 | South Horizons – Shau Kei Wan | 15-20 | 14-17 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 1 | |

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| | | | | | | Existing | | Proposed | | Change | | |
| | | | | Existing (Minutes) | Proposed (Minutes) | Single Decker | Double Decker | Single Decker | Double Decker | Single Decker | Double Decker | |
| 3rd Quarter of 2022 | CTB | N72 | Wah Kwai – Quarry Bay (Hoi Chak Street) | 25-30 # | 20-30 # + 1 AM Trip | 0 | [5] | 0 | [3] | 0 | [-2] | <p>Details of the proposed services are as follows:</p> <p>[1] To truncate the routing of Route No. N72 to ply between Wah Kwai and Tin Hau Station and convert the route to circular service;</p> <p>[2] The routing of Tin Hau bound journeys will be altered to travel via Ngan Mok Street, Lau Li Street and King's Road; and</p> <p>[3] An additional special departure will be operated from Tin Hau Station to Wah Kwai at 5.54 a.m.</p> <p>Please refer to <u>Annex 6</u> for details.</p> |
| 3rd Quarter of 2022 | CTB | N90 | South Horizons – Central (Macau Ferry) | 25-30 # | 20-30 # + 1 AM Trip | 0 | [5] | 0 | [3] | 0 | [-2] | <p>Details of the proposed services are as follows:</p> <p>[1] To truncate the routing of Route No. N90 to ply between South Horizons and Admiralty Station and convert the route to circular service;</p> <p>[2] The routing of Admiralty bound journeys will be altered to travel via Luard Road, Gloucester Road, Harcourt Road and Cotton Tree Drive slip road in lieu of Queensway; and</p> <p>[3] An additional special departure will be operated from Admiralty Station to South Horizons at 5.54 a.m.</p> <p>Please refer to <u>Annex 7</u> for details.</p> |

Proposed Extension of NWFB Route No. 30X to Admiralty (East)**Existing Operation Details**

| Route | 30X |
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| Terminating Points | Cyberport to Central (Exchange Square) (Circular) / Central (Exchange Square) to Cyberport (Special Departures) / Central (Man Yiu Street) to Cyberport (Special Departure) |
| Service Hours | <p><u>From Cyberport</u> :</p> <p>Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays)</p> <p>6.40 a.m. to 8.20 p.m.</p> <p>Sundays and Public Holidays</p> <p>7.00 a.m. to 8.20 p.m.</p> <p><u>From Central (Exchange Square) (Special Departures)</u> :</p> <p>Mondays to Fridays (except Public Holidays)</p> <p>8.20 a.m., 8.30 a.m. and 8.55 a.m. (3 departures)</p> <p><u>From Central (Man Yiu Street) (Special Departure)</u> :</p> <p>Daily</p> <p>9.00 p.m. (1 departure)</p> |
| Morning Peak Hour Frequency | 15 - 20 minutes |
| Full Fare per Single Journey | \$7.7 |
| Patronage | Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour: 74% |
| Vehicle Allocation | 4 Double-decker Buses |

The Proposal

- Route No. 30X currently provides bus service between Cyberport and Central (Exchange Square). The proposed extension of the route to Admiralty (East) could provide more convenience for passengers to travel between Admiralty and Cyberport. Besides, Route No. 30X will be operated as a non-circular route terminating at Admiralty (East) to enhance service stability.
- Details of the proposal are as follows:

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| Route | 30X |
| Terminating Points | Cyberport to Admiralty (East) Central (Exchange Square) to Cyberport (Special Departures) / Central (Man Yiu Street) to Cyberport (Special Departure) |
| Service Hours | <p><u>From Cyberport</u> :</p> <p>Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 6.40 a.m. to 8.20 p.m. (Unchanged)</p> <p>Sundays and Public Holidays 7.00 a.m. to 8.20 p.m. (Unchanged)</p> <p><u>From Admiralty (East)</u> :</p> <p>Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 7.10 a.m. to 8.55 p.m.</p> <p>Sundays and Public Holidays 7.30 a.m. to 8.55 p.m.</p> <p><u>From Central (Exchange Square) (Special Departures)</u> :</p> <p>Mondays to Fridays (except Public Holidays) 8.15 a.m., 8.35 a.m. and 8.55 a.m. (3 departures)</p> <p><u>From Central (Man Yiu Street) (Special Departure)</u> :</p> <p>Daily 9.00 p.m. (1 departure) (Unchanged)</p> |
| Morning Peak Hour Frequency | 15-20 minutes (Unchanged) |
| Routeing | <p><u>From Cyberport</u> :</p> <p>Information Crescent, Cyberport Road, Victoria Road, Pok Fu Lam Road, Hill Road Flyover, Rumsey Street Flyover, Man Po Street, Man Yiu Street, <u>Connaught Place, Connaught Road Central, Harcourt Road, Cotton Tree Drive Slip Road, Queensway, Tamar Street and Drake Street.</u></p> <p><u>From Admiralty (East)</u> :</p> <p><u>Rodney Street, Queensway, Arsenal Street, Harcourt Road,</u> Connaught Road Central, Rumsey Street Flyover, Connaught Road West, Western Street, Queen's Road West, Pok Fu Lam Road, Victoria Road, Cyberport Road and Information Crescent.</p> <p><u>From Central (Exchange Square) (Special Departures)</u> :</p> <p>(Unchanged)</p> |

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| Route | 30X |
| | From Central (Man Yiu Street) (Special Departure) : (Unchanged) |
| Full Fare per Single Journey | \$8.2 |
| Vehicle Allocation | 5 Double-decker Buses |

Advantages

- The proposed extension of Route No. 30X to Admiralty (East) could provide a convenient bus service between Cyberport and Admiralty, and its service stability could also be enhanced upon converting it to be operated as a non-circular route.

Arrangement after the Service Adjustment

- To tie in with the proposed route extension of Route No. 30X, the following new en-route stops will be arranged to replace the existing bus stops.

| New Bus Stops | Suspended Bus Stops |
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| Admiralty Bound | |
| 1. Connaught Place outside General Post Office 2. Connaught Road Central near City Hall 3. Admiralty (East) Bus Terminus | 1. Central (Exchange Square) |
| Cyberport Bound | |
| 1. Admiralty (East) Bus Terminus 2. Connaught Road Central near Statue Square | 1. Man Yiu Street near Two International Finance Centre 2. Central (Exchange Square) |

- The existing passengers of Route No. 30X can enjoy the newly introduced two-way section fare when travelling from Cyberport to Central, while the fare remains unchanged (\$7.7). Details are as follows:

| Origin | Destination | Alternative | Fare |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--------------------|
| Between Cyberport and Pok Fu Lam | Central Exchange Square | Alight at Connaught Place outside General Post Office | \$7.7 [#] |
| Central Exchange Square | Between Cyberport and Pok Fu Lam | Board at Connaught Road Central near Pottinger Street | \$7.7 |

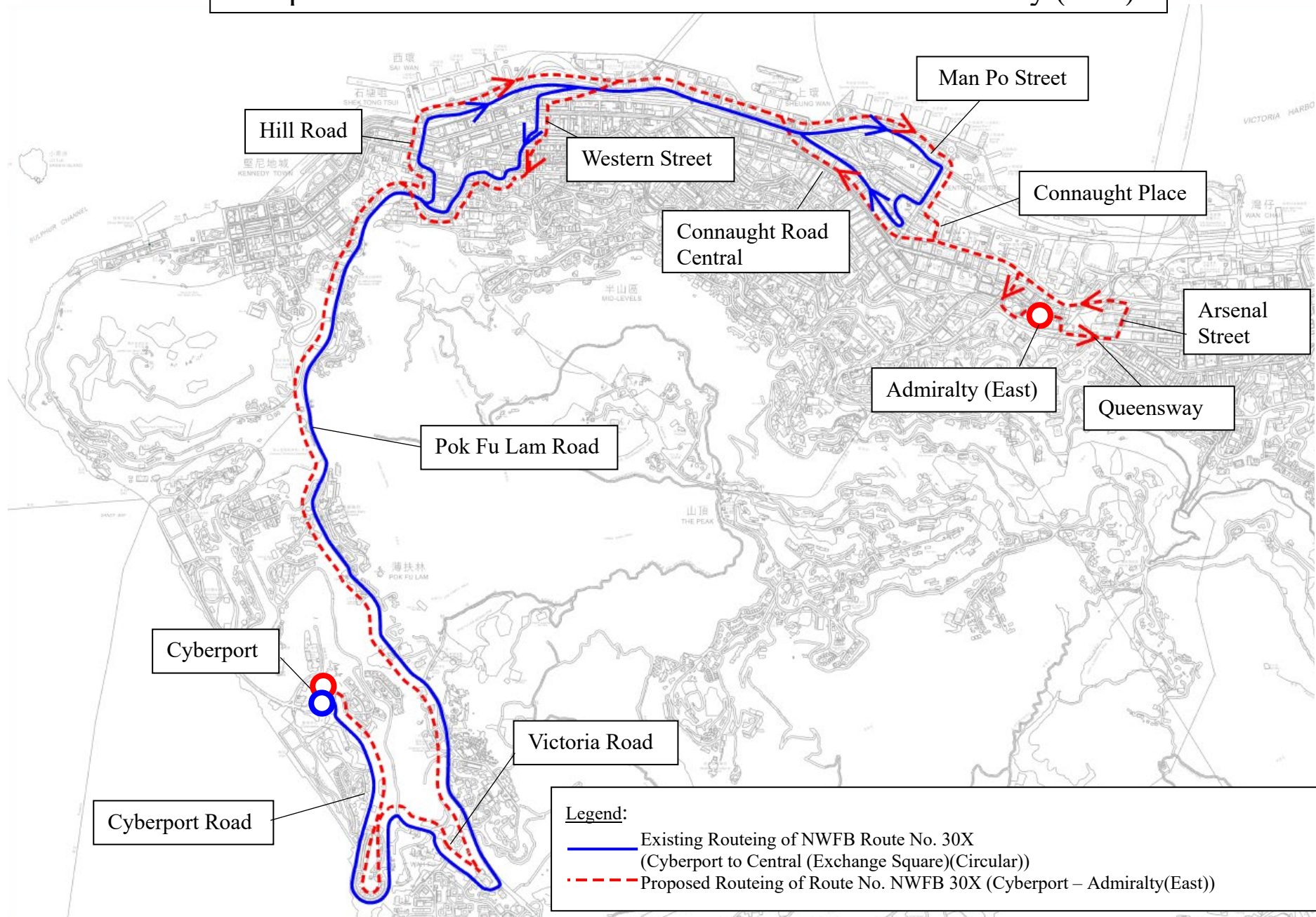
[#]To enjoy the two-way section fare, passengers must use the same Octopus or same electronic payment instrument when boarding and alighting the bus.

Proposed Implementation Date

3rd Quarter 2022

Proposed Extension of NWFB Route No. 30X to Admiralty (East)

Annex 1



Proposed Re-organisation of CTB Route Nos. 70, 70A, 70P and 76**Existing Operation Details**

| Route | 70 |
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| Terminating Points | Central (Exchange Square) - Wah Kwai/ Wah Kwai to Central (Exchange Square) (Special Departure) / Aberdeen Bus Terminus to Central (Exchange Square) (Special Departure) |
| Service Hours | <u>From Wah Kwai:</u> Daily 5.20 a.m. to 11.40 p.m. <u>From Wah Kwai (via Tin Wan) (Special Departures):</u> Mondays to Fridays (except Public Holidays) 7.05 a.m. to 8.45 a.m. (6 departures) <u>From Aberdeen Bus Terminus (Special Departures):</u> Mondays to Fridays (except Public Holidays) 5.42 a.m. to 9.50 a.m. (18 departures) Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 5.42 a.m. to 9.50 a.m. (13 departures) <u>From Central (Exchange Square):</u> Daily 5.50 a.m. to 12.10 a.m. |
| Morning Peak Hour Headway | 15 - 25 mins |
| Full Fare per Single Journey | \$5.8 |
| Patronage | Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour: 83% |
| Vehicle Allocation | 11 Double-decker Buses |

| Route | 70A |
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| Terminating Points | Central (Exchange Square) to Aberdeen Bus Terminus |
| Service Hours | <u>From Central (Exchange Square):</u> Mondays to Fridays (except Public Holidays) 5.55 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. (2 departures) |
| Full Fare per Single Journey | \$5.8 |
| Patronage | Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour: 81% |
| Vehicle Allocation | 1 Double-decker Bus |

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| Route | 70P |
| Terminating Points | Shek Pai Wan Estate Public Transport Interchange to Central (Exchange Square) |
| Service Hours | <u>From Shek Pai Wan:</u> Mondays to Fridays (except Public Holidays) 7.20 a.m. to 8.10 a.m. (5 departures) Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 7.40 a.m. to 8.10 a.m. (3 departures) |
| Full Fare per Single Journey | \$5.8 |
| Patronage | Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour: 64% |
| Vehicle Allocation | 3 Double-decker Buses |

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| Route | 76 |
| Terminating Points | Shek Pai Wan Estate Public Transport Interchange – Causeway Bay (Pennington Street) (Circular) / Shek Pai Wan Estate Public Transport Interchange to Causeway Bay (Pennington Street) (Special Departure) |
| Service Hours | <u>From Shek Pai Wan:</u> Daily 6.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m. <u>From Shek Pai Wan (Special Departure):</u> Mondays to Fridays (except School Holidays & Public Holidays) 7.15 a.m. (1 departure) |
| Frequency | 30 mins (Whole-day) |
| Full Fare per Single Journey | \$6.2 |
| Patronage | Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour: 65% |
| Vehicle Allocation | 3 Single-deck Buses |

The Proposal

- Currently, CTB Route No. 70P only provides single bound service from Shek Pai Wan to Central during morning peak hours from Mondays to Fridays and Saturdays with 5 and 3 departures respectively; while CTB Route No. 76 provides circular services from Shek Pai Wan to Causeway Bay from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily.
- To cater for passenger demand in Shek Pai Wan, it is proposed to extend the service of Route No. 70P to a whole day service that operates until evening peak hours and provide return trip service from Central to Shek Pai Wan.
- To tie in with the service adjustment of Route No. 70P, the service frequency of Route No. 70 will be adjusted and combined departures plying between Aberdeen and Central will be jointly operated by Route Nos. 70 and 70P. In parallel, Route Nos. 70 (special departures from Aberdeen) and 70A will be amalgamated with Route No. 70P.
- There are numerous bus routes in the Southern District that provide more direct services to Causeway Bay with service frequency higher than Route No. 76. Passengers tend to use those bus routes to travel to Causeway Bay and the occupancy of Route No. 76 is consistently low with a daily average occupancy rate of about 38%. Hence, we propose to adjust the services of Route No. 76 as follows:
 - the terminating point will be relocated from Shek Pai Wan Estate Public Transport Interchange to Wong Chuk Hang Station and the routeing will be shortened to ply between Wong Chuk Hang Station and Causeway Bay with headway adjusted to every 60 minutes during the time between two peak periods; and
 - the morning special departure on school days will be altered to operate at 7.20 a.m. departing from Wong Chuk Hang and a new afternoon special departure will operate at 3.30 p.m on school days from Wong Chuk Hang Station to Causeway Bay (Pennington Street).
- With the provision of return trip service and extension of daily service hours to evening peak hours, passengers of Route No. 70P in Shek Pai Wan can take Route No. 70P and interchange with Route No. 76 to travel to and from Shouson Hill and Wong Nai Chung Gap.
- To tie in with the proposed service adjustment of Route No. 76, new Octopus / electronic payment bus-bus interchange concessions between CTB Route Nos. 70P, 72, 76 and NWFB Route No. 95 will be offered.

Details of the proposed services are as follows:

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| Route | 70 |
| Terminating Points | Central (Exchange Square) - Wah Kwai / Wah Kwai to Central (Exchange Square) (Special Departure) |
| Service Hours | <u>From Wah Kwai:</u> Daily 5.20 a.m. to 11.40 p.m. (Unchanged) <u>From Wah Kwai (via Tin Wan) (Special Departure):</u> Mondays to Fridays (except Public Holidays) 7.00 a.m. to 8.59 a.m. (6 departures) <u>From Central (Exchange Square):</u> Daily 5.50 a.m to 12.10 a.m. (Unchanged) |
| Morning Peak Hours Frequency | 9 - 12 mins |
| Routeing | <u>From Wah Kwai:</u> (Unchanged) <u>From Wah Kwai (via Tin Wan) (Special Departure):</u> (Unchanged) <u>From Central (Exchange Square):</u> (Unchanged) |
| Full Fare per Single Journey | \$5.8 |
| Vehicle Allocation | 7 Double-decker Buses |

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| Route | 70P |
| Terminating Points | Shek Pai Wan Estate Public Transport Interchange – Central (Exchange Square) |
| Service Hours | <u>From Shek Pai Wan :</u> Daily 5.40 a.m. to 7.05 p.m. <u>From Central (Exchange Square):</u> Daily 9.30 a.m. to 7.35 p.m. |
| Morning Peak Hours Frequency | 7-25 mins |
| Routeing | <u>From Shek Pai Wan:</u> (Unchanged) |

| Route | 70P |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| | <p><u>From Central (Exchange Square):</u> Connaught Road Central, Harcourt Road, #(Cotton Tree Drive slip road, Queensway, Tamar Street, Drake Street, Admiralty Station (East) Bus Terminus, Rodney Street, Queensway, Arsenal Street, Flyover), Gloucester Road, Canal Road Flyover, Aberdeen Tunnel, Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen Praya Road, Flyover, Aberdeen Main Road, Aberdeen Reservoir Road and Yue Kwong Road.</p> <p># Subject to the traffic conditions and passenger demand, some departures that operate during the peak period from 6.00 p.m. to 7.35 p.m. will not stop at the Admiralty Station.</p> |
| Full Fare per Single Journey | \$5.8 |
| Vehicle Allocation | 7 Double-decker Buses |

| Route | 76 |
|---------------------------|--|
| Terminating Points | <p>Wong Chuk Hang Station to Causeway Bay (Pennington Street) (Circular) / Wong Chuk Hang Station to Causeway Bay (Pennington Street) (Special Departure)</p> |
| Service Hours | <p><u>From Wong Chuk Hang Station:</u> Daily 6.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m.</p> <p><u>From Wong Chuk Hang Station (Special Departure):</u> Mondays to Fridays (except School Holidays & Public Holidays) 7.20 a.m. and 3.30 p.m. (2 departures)</p> |
| Frequency | <p>6.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.: 30 minutes (Unchanged) 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.: 60 minutes 4.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.: 30 minutes (Unchanged)</p> |
| Routing | <p><u>From Wong Chuk Hang Station:</u> <u>Wong Chuk Hang Station, Heung Yip Road, Nam Long Shan Road,</u> Wong Chuk Hang Road, Nam Fung Road, Deep Water Bay Road, Wong Nai Chung Gap Road, Stubbs Road, Queen's Road East, Morrison Hill Road, Leighton Road, Pennington Street, Yee Wo Street, Leighton Road, Morrison Hill Road, Queen's Road East, Stubbs Road, Wong Nai Chung Gap Road, Deep Water Bay Road, Nam Fung Road, Wong Chuk Hang Road, <u>Nam Long Shan Road, Heung Yip Road and Wong Chuk Hang Station.</u></p> <p><u>From Wong Chuk Hang Station (Special Departures):</u> <u>Wong Chuk Hang Station, Heung Yip Road, Nam Long Shan Road,</u> Wong Chuk Hang Road, Nam Fung Road, Deep Water Bay Road, Wong Nai Chung Gap Road, Stubbs Road, Queen's Road East, Morrison Hill Road, Leighton Road and Pennington Street.</p> |

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| Route | 76 |
| Full Fare per Single Journey | \$6.2 (Unchanged) |
| Vehicle Allocation | 3 Single-deck Buses |

Advantage

- The proposed service adjustment of Route No. 70P will provide passengers in Shek Pak Wan with direct and daily bus services to/ from Wan Chai, Admiralty and Central.

Arrangement after the Service Adjustment

- The existing passengers of Route No. 70A and 70 (special departure from Aberdeen) may switch to use Route No. 70P to travel between Central and Aberdeen.
- The existing passengers of Route No. 76 may switch to use the following alternative services or bus-bus-interchange arrangement:

1. Alternative Services

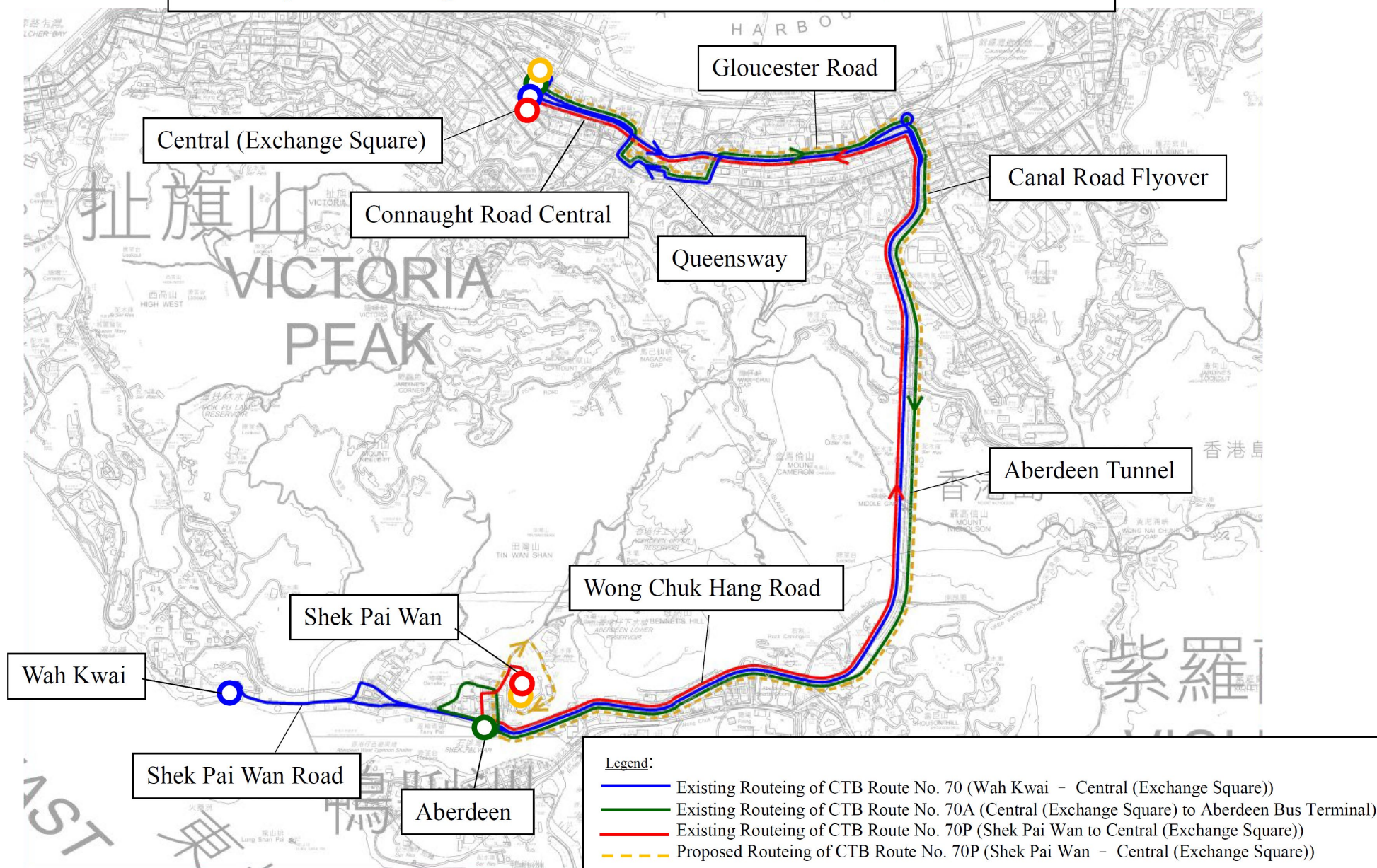
| Origin | Destination | Alternative | Fare |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| To Causeway Bay | | | |
| Shek Pai Wan to Aberdeen | Aberdeen to Wong Chuk Hang | CTB Route No. 70P | \$5.8 |
| Aberdeen | Causeway Bay | CTB Route No. 72 | \$5.8 |
| To Southern District | | | |
| Causeway Bay | Aberdeen | CTB Route No. 72 | \$5.8 |
| Wong Chuk Hang to Aberdeen | Aberdeen to Shek Pai Wan | CTB Route No. 70P | \$3.7 |

2. Bus-bus Interchange Arrangement

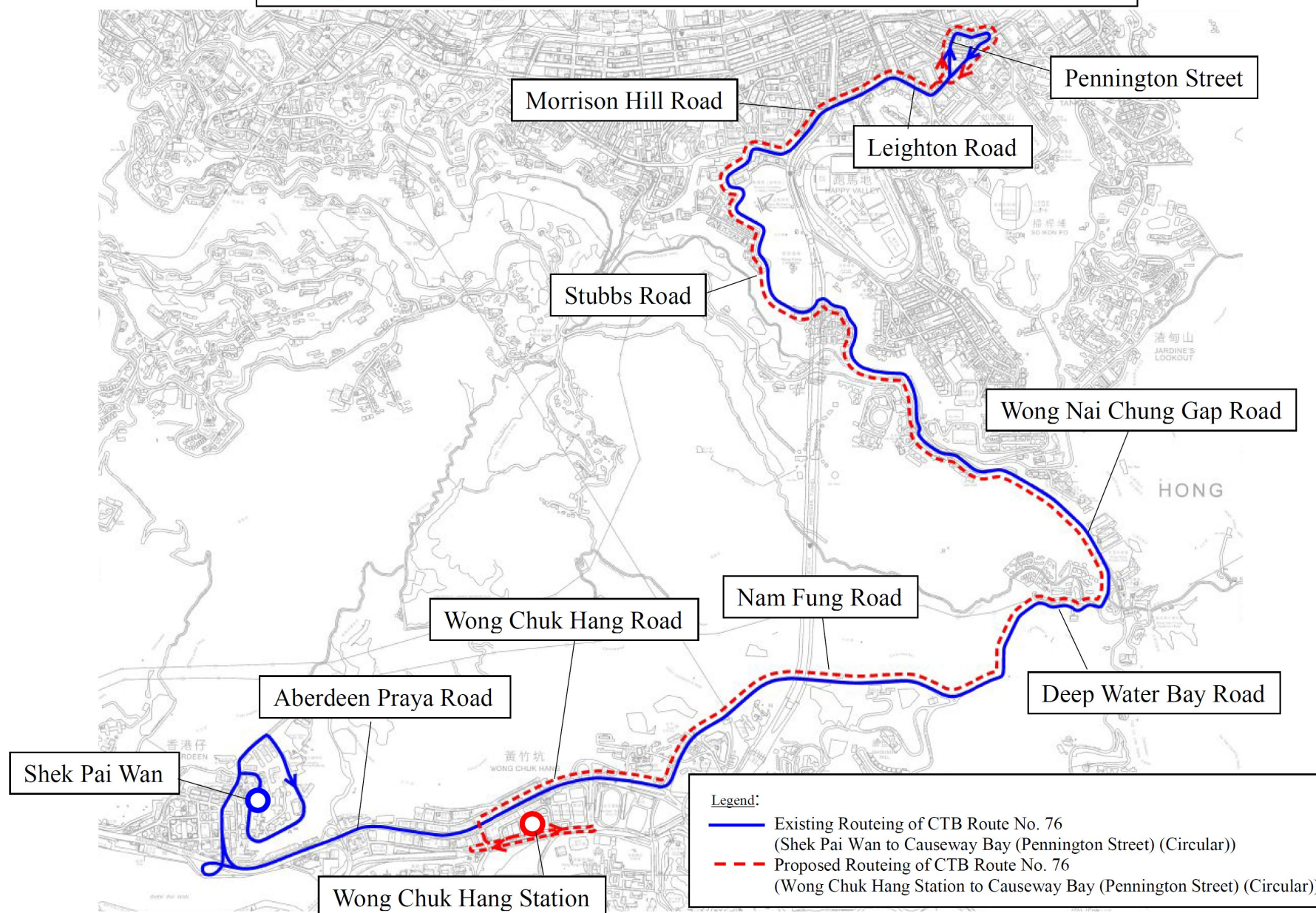
| Origin | Destination | Interchange Details | Fare | No. of Affected Passengers | Interchange Location |
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| To Causeway Bay | | | | | |
| Shek Pai Wan to Aberdeen | Nam Fung Road to Morrison Hill Road | CTB Route No. 70P interchanging with CTB Route No.76. | \$6.2 | About 240 | Wong Chuk Hang Recreation Ground |
| Shek Pai Wan | Causeway Bay | NWFB Route No. 95 interchanging with CTB Route No. 72. | \$5.8 | About 60 | Aberdeen Main Road near Yip Yee Mansion |
| To Southern District | | | | | |
| Causeway Bay | Shek Pai Wan | CTB Route No. 72 interchanging with NWFB Route No. 95. | \$5.8 | About 30 | Aberdeen Promenade |
| Queen's Road East to Nam Fung Road | Aberdeen to Shek Pai Wan | CTB Route No. 76 interchanging with CTB Route No. 70P. | \$6.2 | About 100 | Wong Chuk Hang Recreation Ground |

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Proposed Re-organization of CTB Routes 70, 70A, 70P and 76



Proposed Re-organization of CTB Routes 70, 70A, 70P and 76



Proposed Rationalisation of NWFB Route No. 38 and Route No. 42**Existing Operation Details**

| Route | 38 | 42 |
|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| Terminating Points | Chi Fu Fa Yuen - North Point Ferry Pier | Wah Fu (South) - North Point Ferry Pier |
| Service Hours | <p><u>From Chi Fu Fa Yuen:</u> Daily 6.00 a.m. – 12.30 a.m.</p> <p><u>From North Point Ferry Pier:</u> Daily 6.00 a.m. – 12.35 a.m.</p> | <p><u>From Wah Fu (South):</u> Daily 6.00 a.m. – 12.35 a.m.</p> <p><u>From North Point Ferry Pier:</u> Mondays to Fridays (except Public Holidays) 5.56 a.m. – 9.57 p.m.</p> <p>Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays 5.56 a.m. – 10.00 p.m.</p> <p><u>From North Point Ferry Pier (not via Wong Chuk Hang Road Flyover):</u> Mondays to Fridays (except Public Holidays) 10.07 p.m. – 12.38 a.m.</p> <p>Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays 10.10 p.m. – 12.38 a.m.</p> |
| Morning Peak Hour Frequency | 7 - 11 minutes | 10 - 12 minutes |
| Full Fare per Single Journey | \$8.2 | \$8.2 |
| Patronage | Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour: 69% | Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour: 73% |
| Vehicle Allocation | 9 Double-deckers Buses | 10 Double-deckers Buses |

The Proposal

- Over 90% of the routeings of Route No. 38 and Route No. 42 overlap along the section between Wah Fu (South) and North Point Ferry Pier, and their occupancy rates after the morning peak hours remain low, averaging at 26% and 29% respectively. Therefore, it is proposed to rationalise the services of Route No. 38 and Route No. 42.

Route No. 38

To adjust the routeings for departures from Mondays to Saturdays (after 10.00 a.m., except Public Holidays) and on Sundays and public holidays as follows:

- Re-route via Wah Fu in lieu of Wong Chuk Hang Road Flyover for both bounds; and
- Re-route via Aberdeen Main Road in lieu of the section of Aberdeen Praya Road between Aberdeen Main Road and Aberdeen Old Main Street, for North Point bound.

Also, the service hours of the Route will be extended to 12.38 a.m. and its headway in the evening peak hours will be enhanced to every 6 - 10 minutes.

Route No. 42

- To adjust the service hours and operate from Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) only, and adjust the last departure time to 9.52 a.m. (North Point bound) and 9.49 a.m. (Wah Fu bound) respectively.

Details of the proposal are as follows:

| Route | 38 |
|---------------------------|---|
| Terminating Points | Chi Fu Fa Yuen - North Point Ferry Pier |
| Service Hours | <p><u>From Chi Fu Fa Yuen:</u></p> <p>Daily 6.00 a.m. – 12.35 a.m.</p> <p><u>From North Point Ferry Pier:</u></p> <p>Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 6.00 a.m. – 12.38 a.m.</p> <p>Sundays and Public Holidays 5.56 a.m. – 12.38 a.m.</p> |

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|-------------------------------------|---|
| Route | 38 |
| Morning Peak Hour Frequency | 7 – 11 minutes (Unchanged) |
| Routeing | <p><u>From Chi Fu Fa Yuen (before 10.00 a.m from Mondays to Saturdays, except Public Holidays):</u> (Unchanged)</p> <p><u>From North Point Ferry Pier (before 10.00 a.m from Mondays to Saturdays, except Public Holidays):</u> (Unchanged)</p> <p><u>From Chi Fu Fa Yuen (via Wah Fu) (Mondays to Saturday (except Public Holidays) after 10.00 a.m. and Sundays and Public Holidays):</u> Chi Fu Road, Pok Fu Lam Road, <u>Victoria Road, Wah Chui Street, Wah King Street, Wah Fu Road,</u> Shek Pai Wan Road, Aberdeen Praya Road, <u>Aberdeen Main Road,</u> Aberdeen Praya Road, Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen Tunnel, Wong Nai Chung Road, Morrison Hill Road, Tin Lok Lane, Hennessy Road, Yee Wo Street, Causeway Road, King's Road, Shu Kuk Street, Java Road and Tin Chiu Street.</p> <p><u>From North Point Ferry Pier (via Wah Fu) (Mondays to Saturday (except Public Holidays) after 10.00 a.m. and Sundays and Public Holidays):</u> Kam Hong Street, King's Road, Causeway Road, Irving Street, Pennington Street, Yee Wo Street, Hennessy Road, Canal Road Bus Only Road, Canal Road East, Leighton Road, Morrison Hill Road, Wong Nai Chung Road, Aberdeen Tunnel, Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen Praya Road, Shek Pai Wan Road, <u>Wah Fu Road, Wah King Street, Wah Chui Street, Victoria Road,</u> Pok Fu Lam Road and Chi Fu Road.</p> |
| Full Fare per Single Journey | \$8.2 (Unchanged) |
| Vehicle Allocation | 9 Double-deckers Buses (Unchanged) |

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|---------------------------|---|
| Route | 42 |
| Terminating Points | Wah Fu (South) - North Point Ferry Pier |
| Service Hours | <p><u>From Wah Fu (South):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 6.00 a.m. – 9.52 a.m.</p> <p><u>From North Point Ferry Pier:</u> Mondays to Fridays (except Public Holidays) 5.56 a.m. – 9.49 a.m.</p> <p>Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 5.56 a.m. – 9.50 a.m.</p> |

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| Route | 42 |
| Morning Peak Hour Frequency | 10 – 12 minutes (Unchanged) |
| Routeing | <u>From Wah Fu (South):</u> (Unchanged) <u>From North Point Ferry Pier:</u> (Unchanged) |
| Full Fare per Single Journey | \$8.2 (Unchanged) |
| Vehicle Allocation | 10 Double-deckers Buses (Unchanged) |

Arrangement after the Service Adjustment

- Passengers of Route No. 42 can take Route No. 38 to travel to and from the Southern district, Causeway Bay, Fortress Hill and North Point from Mondays to Saturdays (after 10.00 a.m.) and on Sundays and Public Holidays. Additional vehicles will be deployed to Route No.38 after rationalisation during the evening peak hours to cater for passenger demand.
- To tie in with the proposed re-routeing of Route No. 38, the bus company will add new en-route stops and cancel some existing ones from Mondays to Saturdays (after 10.00 a.m., except Public Holidays) and on Sundays and Public Holidays as follows:

| New Bus Stops | Suspended Bus Stops |
|---|---|
| North Point Bound | |
| 1. Wah Chui Street before Wah King Street 2. Wah Fu Road outside Wah Fu (II) Commercial Complex 3. Wah Fu (South) Bus Terminus 4. Wah Fu Road near Wah On House Wah Fu Estate 5. Aberdeen Main Road near St. Peter's Church 6. Aberdeen Main Road near Yue Fai Road 7. Wong Chuk Hang Road outside Yan's Tower 8. Wong Chuk Hang Road outside Sungib Industrial Centre 9. Wong Chuk Hang Road near Wong Chuk Hang Recreation Ground | 1. Shek Pai Wan Road near Wah Fu Road 2. Aberdeen Bus Terminus |
| Chi Fu Fa Yuen Bound | |
| 1. Wah Fu Road near Wah Lok House Wah Fu Estate 2. Wah Fu Road near Wah Fu Commercial Complex 3. Wah Fu Road near Wah Ching House Wah Fu Estate 4. Wah Fu Road outside Pui Ying Secondary | 1. Shek Pai Wan Road near Wah Fu Road |

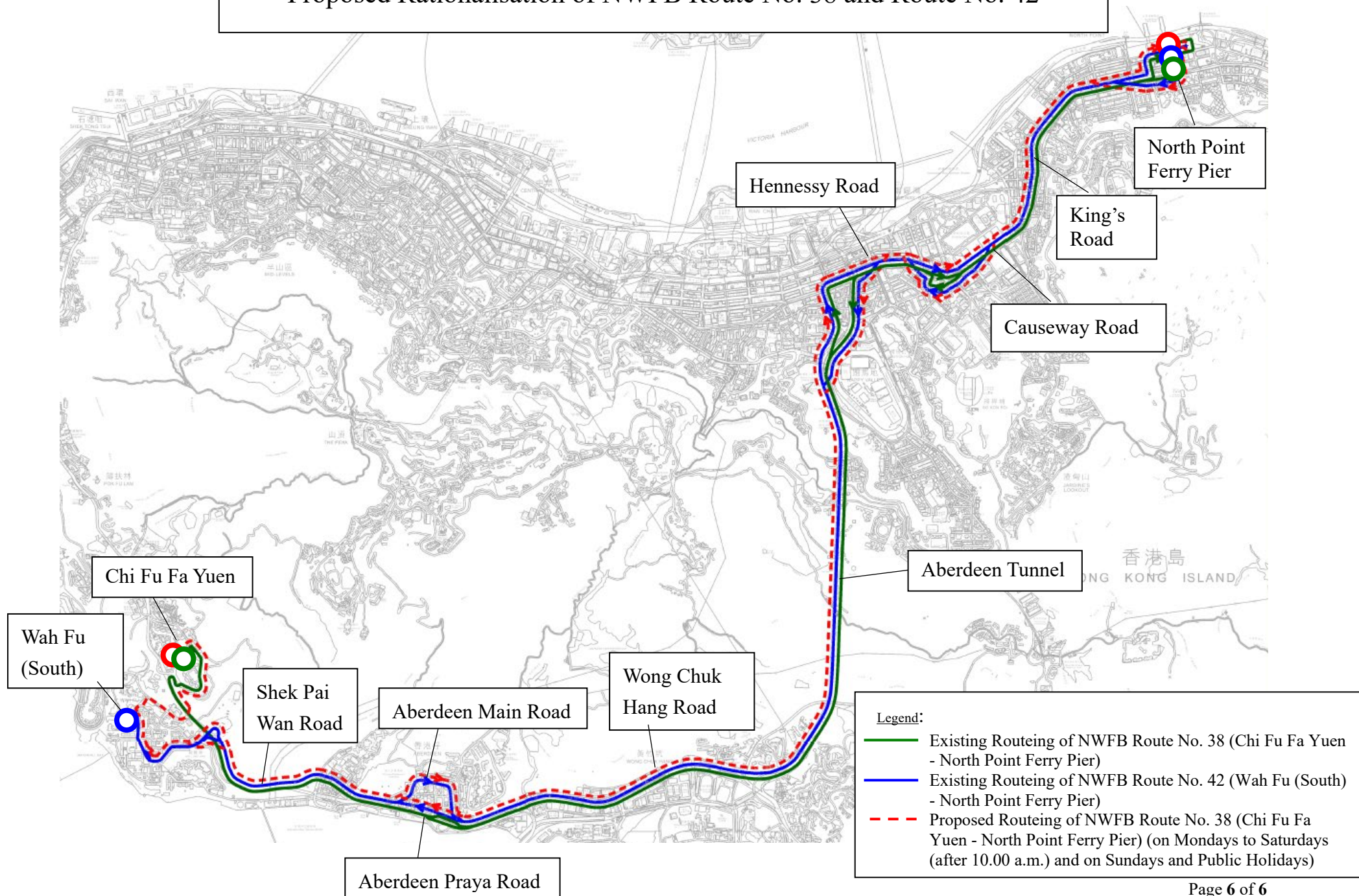
| New Bus Stops | Suspended Bus Stops |
|---|----------------------------|
| School 5. Wah Chui Street before Victoria Road | |

- After adjustment of the service hours of Route No. 42, passengers can use the following alternative services to travel to their destinations outside the service hours of Route No. 42.

| Origin | Destination | Alternative | Fare |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|----------------------|
| North Point Bound | | | |
| Wah Fu | Between Aberdeen and Wong Chuk Hang | NWFB Route No. 38 or CTB Route No. 48 | \$8.2 or \$3.7 |
| | North Point | NWFB Route No. 38 | \$8.2 |
| Between Aberdeen and Wong Chuk Hang | Causeway Bay | NWFB Route No. 38 or CTB Route No. 72 | \$6.7 or \$5.8 |
| | North Point | NWFB Route No. 38 | \$6.7 |
| Wah Fu Bound | | | |
| Between North Point and Causeway Bay | Wah Fu | NWFB Route No. 38 | \$8.2/\$6.7 |
| Between Aberdeen and Wong Chuk Hang | | NWFB Route No. 38 or CTB Route No. 48 | \$4.9 or \$3.7 |

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Proposed Rationalisation of NWFB Route No. 38 and Route No. 42



Proposed Rationalisation of NWFB Route No. 91 and Route No. 94

Existing Operation Details

| Route | 91 | 94 |
|---------------------------|---|---|
| Terminating Points | Ap Lei Chau Estate – Central (Central Ferry Piers) / Ap Lei Chau Estate – Central (Central Ferry Piers) (Special Departures) / South Horizons (Block 18) to Central (Central Ferry Piers) (Special Departures) | Lei Tung Estate - Central (Central Ferry Piers) |
| Service Hours | <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>Sundays and Public Holidays 6 a.m. – 11.45 p.m.</p> <p><u>From Ap Lei Chau Estate (Special Departures):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 5.50 a.m. – 9 a.m. (11 departures)</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 Central (Central Ferry Piers):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 9.00 a.m. – 12.40 a.m.</p> | <p><u>From Lei Tung Estate:</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 5.55 a.m. – 9.10 a.m.</p> <p><u>From Central (Central Ferry Piers):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 6.50 a.m. – 9.00 a.m.</p> |

| Route | 91 | 94 |
|-------------------------------------|--|---|
| | <p>Sundays and Public Holidays 6.45 a.m. – 12.40 a.m.</p> <p><u>From Central (Central Ferry Piers)</u> <u>(Special Departures):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 6.25 a.m. – 8.45 a.m. (9 departures)</p> | |
| Morning Peak Hour Frequency | 15-20 minutes | 15-20 minutes |
| Full Fare per Single Journey | \$7.0 | \$7.0 |
| Patronage | Maximum occupancy in the morning peakiest one hour: 49% | Maximum occupancy in the morning peakiest one hour: 47% |
| Vehicle Allocation | 4 Double-decker Buses | 6 Double-decker Buses |

The Proposal

- Route No. 94 currently provides service between Lei Tung Estate and Central (Central Ferry Piers) in the morning peak hours from Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays). For other time, residents may use Route No. 91 plying via Lei Tung Estate.
- The routings of Route No. 91 and Route No. 94 largely overlap along the section between Aberdeen and Central, and their occupancy rates in the morning peak hours remain low. Their maximum occupancy rates in the peakiest hour in the morning are only 49% and 47% respectively.
- For the above reasons, it is proposed to rationalise the Route No. 91 and Route No. 94 by amalgamating these two routes. Route No. 91 will re-route via Lei Tung Estate to provide service between Ap Lei Chau to and from the Central Pier to replace Route No. 94.
- The service of Route No. 91 from Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) will be adjusted as follows:
 - Re-route via Lei Tung Estate for the whole day, and adjust the first departure time from

Ap Lei Chau Estate to 5.45 a.m.;

- Among the four existing special departures from South Horizons, three of them will also re-route via Lei Tung Estate; and
- Cancel the morning special departures from Ap Lei Chau Estate/Central Ferry Piers that skip Lei Tung Estate.

Details of the proposal are as follows:

| Route | 91 |
|--|--|
| Terminating Points | Ap Lei Chau Estate - Central (Central Ferry Piers) / South Horizons (Block 18) to Central (Central Ferry Piers) (Special Departures) |
| Service Hours | <p><u>From Ap Lei Chau Estate:</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 5.45 a.m. – 11.45 p.m.</p> <p>Sundays and Public Holidays 6.00 a.m. – 11.45 p.m. (Unchanged)</p> <p><u>From South Horizons (Block 18) (via Lei Tung Estate) (Special Departures):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 6.40 a.m., 7.25 a.m. and 7.55 a.m. (3 departures)</p> <p><u>From South Horizons (Block 18) (not via Lei Tung Estate) (Special Departures):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 7.05 a.m. (1 departure)</p> <p><u>From Central (Central Ferry Piers):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 6.25 a.m. – 12.40 a.m.</p> <p>Sundays and Public Holidays 6.45 a.m. – 12.40 a.m. (Unchanged)</p> |
| Morning Peak Hour Frequency | 15-20 minutes (Unchanged) |
| Routeing | <p><u>From Ap Lei Chau Estate:</u> (Unchanged)</p> <p><u>From South Horizons (Block 18) (via Lei Tung Estate) (Special</u></p> |

| Route | 91 |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| | <p><u>Departures):</u> South Horizon Drive, Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road, <u>Ap Lei Chau Drive, Lei Tung Estate Road, Lei Tung Estate Bus Terminus, Lei Tung Estate Road, Ap Lei Chau Drive, Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road,</u> Aberdeen Praya 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, Man Cheung Street and Man Yiu Street. (Unchanged)</p> <p><u>From South Horizons (Block 18) (not via Lei Tung Estate) (Special Departures):</u> (Unchanged)</p> <p><u>From Central (Central Ferry Piers):</u> (Unchanged)</p> |
| Full Fare per Single Journey | \$7.0 (Unchanged) |
| Vehicle Allocation | 7 Double-decker Buses |

Advantages

- After the amalgamation of services of Route No. 91 and Route No. 94, passengers at Lei Tung Estate can use Route No. 91 and enjoy a more frequent service in the morning peak hours from Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) for travelling between Southern District and Central/Sheung Wan.
- The vehicle allocation to Route No. 91 will also be increased after the rationalisation to enhance the service during the morning peak hours.

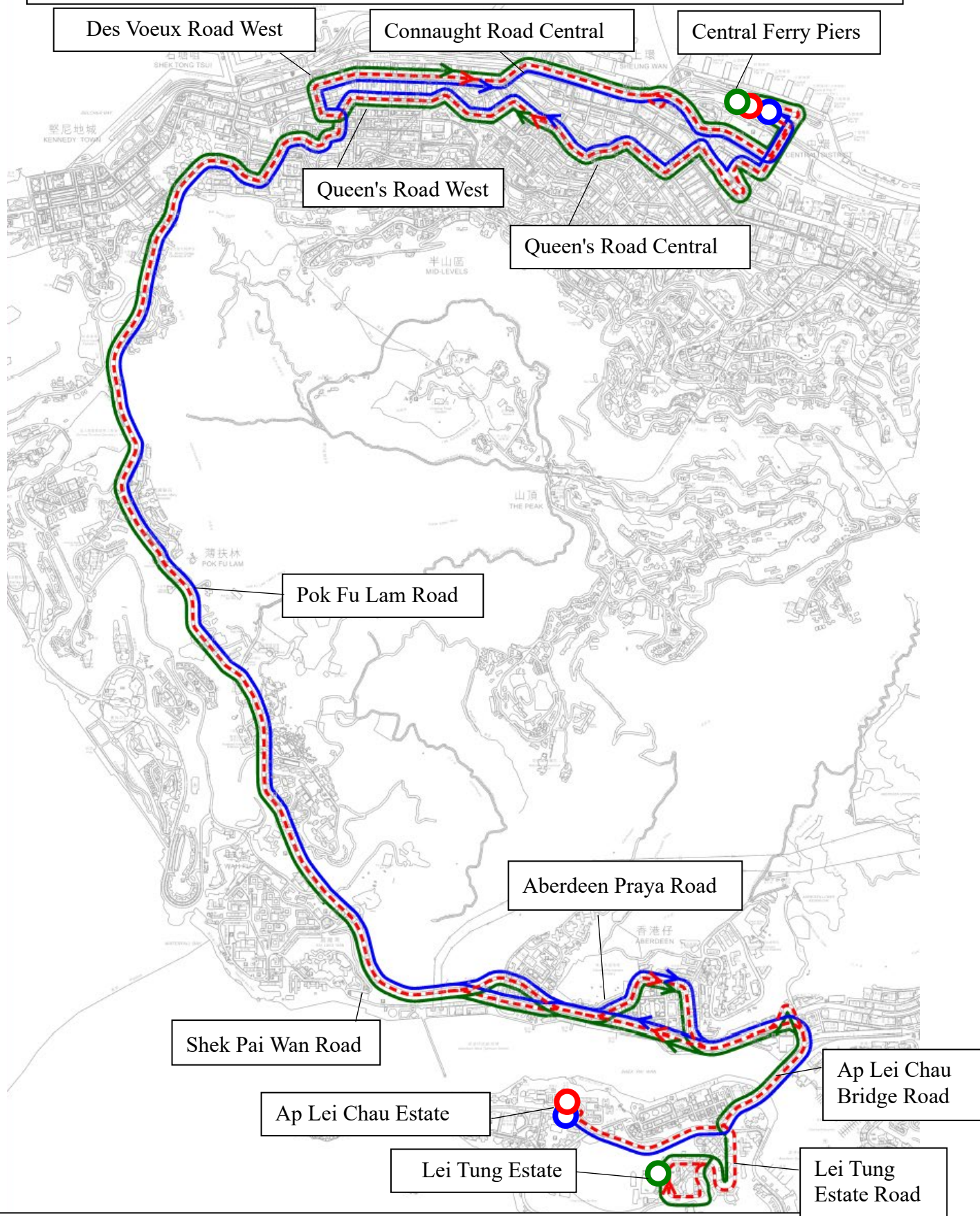
Arrangement after the Service Adjustment

- The existing passengers of Route No. 94 can take Route No. 91 after service rationalisation to travel between Lei Tung Estate and Central/Sheung Wan, while the fare remains unchanged. Since the maximum occupancy rate in the morning peakiest hour of Route No. 91 is only 49%, it still has sufficient capacity to cater for the demand from passengers of Route No. 94.

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Proposed Rationalisation of NWFB Route No. 91 and Route No. 94



Legend:

- Existing Routeing of NWFB Route No. 91 (Ap Lei Chau Estate – Central (Central Ferry Piers)) (Special Departures)
- Existing Routeing of NWFB Route No. 94 (Lei Tung Estate – Central (Central Ferry Piers))
- - - Proposed Routeing of NWFB Route No. 91 (Ap Lei Chau Estate – Central (Central Ferry Piers))

Proposed Rationalisation of CTB Route Nos. 96 and 99

Existing Operation Details

| Route | 96 | 99 |
|------------------------------------|---|---|
| Terminating Points | Lei Tung Estate – Causeway Bay (Moreton Terrace) | South Horizons – Shau Kei Wan South Horizons – Shau Kei Wan (omit South Horizon Drive) (Special Departure) |
| Service Hours | <p><u>From Lei Tung Estate:</u> Daily 5.50 a.m. to 12.00 midnight</p> <p><u>From Causeway Bay (Moreton Terrace):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 6.15 a.m. to 12.30 a.m.</p> <p>Sundays and Public Holidays 6.15 a.m. to 12.25 a.m.</p> | <p><u>From South Horizons:</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 6.26 a.m. to 9.42 p.m.</p> <p>Sundays and Public Holidays 7.30 a.m. to 9.42 p.m.</p> <p><u>From South Horizons (omit South Horizon Drive) (Special Departures):</u> Daily 10.02 p.m. to 12.00 midnight</p> <p><u>From Shau Kei Wan:</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 6.00 a.m. to 11.00 p.m.</p> <p>Sundays and Public Holidays 8.30 a.m. to 10.57 p.m.</p> <p><u>From Shau Kei Wan (omit South Horizon Drive) (Special Departures):</u> Mondays to Saturdays (except Public Holidays) 11.20 p.m. to 12.00 midnight</p> <p>Sundays and Public Holidays 11.17 p.m. to 12.00 midnight</p> |
| Morning Peak Hour Frequency | 15-25 mins | 15-20 mins |
| Patronage | Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour: 47% | Maximum occupancy in the peakiest one hour: 60% |

| Route | 96 | 99 |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Full Fare per Single Journey | \$5.8 | \$8.5 |
| Vehicle Allocation | 3 Double-decker Buses | 10 Double-decker Buses |

The Proposal

- Before the commissioning of South Island Line, CTB Route No. 96 mainly provided railway feeder services for passengers travelling between Lei Tung / Wong Chuk Hang and Causeway Bay Station and provided services for passengers to travel to and from the Causeway Bay commercial area. Since the commissioning of South Island Line in December 2016, passengers can take railway services at Lei Tung Station and Wong Chuk Hang Station to Causeway Bay direct. The original role of Route No. 96 has changed.
- The journey time from Lei Tung Station to Causeway Bay Station is about 20 minutes while that of Route No. 96 is about 40 minutes which is doubled that of railway services. Many bus passengers have switched to using railway services.
- Due to changes in the travelling pattern of passengers, the patronage of Route No. 96 is consistently low, with the average occupancy being 14% (Causeway Bay bound) and 17% (Lei Tung bound) during non-peak hours and the minimum hourly occupancy being less than 2%.
- In view of the above, it is proposed to amalgamate Route No. 96 with Route No. 99. The routing of Route No. 99 (Shau Kei Wan bound) will be altered to travel via Canal Road West, Gloucester Road and Causeway Road with the extension of service hours and frequency improvement to cater for passenger demand.

Details of the proposed service are as follows:

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|-------------------------------------|---|
| Route | 99 |
| Terminating Points | South Horizons – Shau Kei Wan South Horizons – Shau Kei Wan (omit South Horizon Drive) (Special Departure) |
| Service Hours | <p><u>From South Horizons:</u> Daily 5.40 a.m. to 9.42 p.m.</p> <p><u>From South Horizons (omit South Horizon Drive)</u> <u>(Special Departures):</u> Daily 10.02 p.m. to 12.00 midnight</p> <p><u>From Shau Kei Wan:</u> Daily 5.30 a.m. to 11.00 p.m.</p> <p><u>From Shau Kei Wan (omit South Horizons Drive)</u> <u>(Special Departures):</u> Daily 11.20 p.m. to 12.00 midnight</p> |
| Morning Peak Hours Frequency | 14 - 17 mins |
| Routeing | <p><u>From South Horizons:</u> Yi Nam Road, South Horizon Drive, Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road, Ap Lei Chau Drive, Lei Tung Estate Road, Ap Lei Chau Drive, Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road, Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen Tunnel, <u>Wong Nai Chung Road, Morrison Hill Road, Leighton Road, Canal Road West, Canal Road Flyover, Victoria Park Road, Gloucester Road, Causeway Road,</u> King's Road, Shau Kei Wan Road, Tai Hong Street, Lei King Road, Tai On Street, Shing On Street, Yiu Hing Road, Yiu Tung Estate Bus Terminus, Yiu Hing Road, Nam Hong Street, Shau Kei Wan Road, Aldrich Street and Nam On Street.</p> |

| Route | 99 |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| | <p>From South Horizons (omit South Horizons Drive) (Special Departures):</p> <p>Yi Nam Road, Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road, Ap Lei Chau Drive, Lei Tung Estate Road, Ap Lei Chau Drive, Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road, Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen Tunnel, <u>Wong Nai Chung Road, Morrison Hill Road, Leighton Road, Canal Road West, Canal Road Flyover, Victoria Park Road, Gloucester Road, Causeway Road</u>, King's Road, Shau Kei Wan Road, Tai Hong Street, Lei King Road, Tai On Street, Shing On Street, Yiu Hing Road, Yiu Tung Estate Bus Terminus, Yiu Hing Road, Nam Hong Street, Shau Kei Wan Road, Aldrich Street and Nam On Street.</p> <p><u>From Shau Kei Wan:</u> (Unchanged)</p> <p><u>From Shau Kei Wan (omit South Horizons Drive):</u> (Special Departure): (Unchanged)</p> |
| Full Fare per Single Journey | \$8.5 (Unchanged) |
| Vehicle Allocation | 11 Double-decker Buses |

Advantages

- Passengers in Lei Tung can use Route No. 99 to travel to Causeway Bay and enjoy faster and more stable service.

Arrangement after the Service Adjustment

- Affected passengers of Route No. 96 may use the following alternative services or bus-bus-interchange arrangement. Upon rationalisation of the route, more buses will also be deployed to Route No. 99 to cater for passenger demand:

1. Alternative Services

| Origin | Destination | Alternative | Fare |
|--|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| Lei Tung Estate | Wan Chai to Causeway Bay | Route No. 99* | \$5.8 |
| Hysan Place | Lei Tung Estate | Route No. 99 | \$5.8 |
| Happy Valley Racecourse | Lei Tung Estate | Route No. 97 | \$5.8 |
| Wong Chuk Hang | Wan Chai to Causeway Bay | Route Nos. 72/72A/99*/592 | \$5.5 / \$5.8 |
| Causeway Bay to Wan Chai | Wong Chuk Hang | Route Nos. 72/72A/592 | \$5.5 / \$5.8 |
| Between Causeway Bay and Wan Chai | | Route Nos. 72/72A/592 | \$4.2 - \$5.8 |
| Between Wong Chuk Hang and Lei Tung Estate | | Route Nos. 97/99* | \$3.7 - \$5.8 |

2. Bus-bus Interchange Arrangement

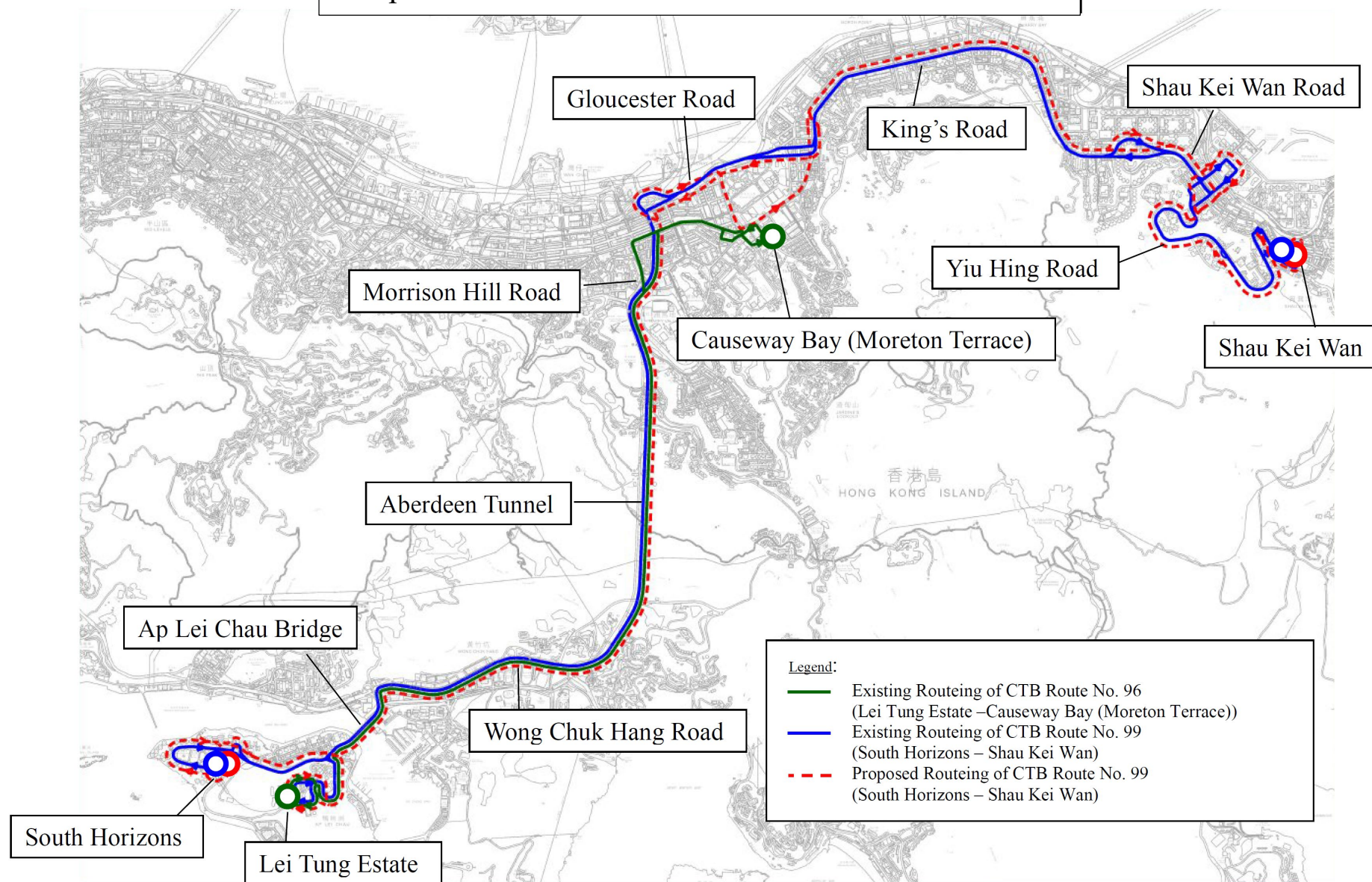
| Origin | Destination | Interchange Details | Fare | No. of Affected Passengers | Interchange Location |
|---|--------------------------------|---|-------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Lei Tung Estate | Causeway Bay (Moreton Terrace) | Route Nos. 97 / 99* interchanging with Route Nos. 72 / 72A / 592. | \$5.8 | About 70 | Aberdeen Tunnel Toll Plaza |
| Causeway Bay (Moreton Terrace) to Canal Road East | Lei Tung Estate | Route Nos. 72 / 72A / 592 interchanging with Route Nos. 97 / 99. | \$5.8 | About 550 | Aberdeen Tunnel Toll Plaza |

* New two-way section fare from South Horizons to Causeway Road (\$5.8) will be offered. To enjoy the two-way session fare, passengers must use the same Octopus or same electronic payment instrument when boarding and alighting the bus.

Proposed Implementation Date

3rd Quarter 2022

Proposed Rationalisation of CTB Route Nos. 96 and 99



Proposed Truncation and Conversion to Circular Services of CTB Route No. N72**Existing Operation Details**

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|-------------------------------------|--|
| Route | N72 |
| Terminating Points | Wah Kwai– Quarry Bay (Hoi Chak Street) |
| Service Hours | <u>From Wah Kwai:</u> Daily 12.10 a.m. to 5.00 a.m. <u>From Quarry Bay (Hoi Chak Street):</u> Daily 12.30 a.m. to 5.40 a.m. |
| Frequency | 25-30 mins |
| Full Fare per Single Journey | \$9.7 |
| Patronage | Average occupancy of each departure: 13% |
| Vehicle Allocation | 5 Double-decker Buses |

The Proposal

Currently, the patronage of CTB Route No. N72 remains low with an average occupancy of each departure at around 13%. Passengers of the route mainly travel between Southern District and Causeway Bay, while the average occupancy rate between the section of Causeway Bay and Quarry Bay is only about 7% (Wah Kwai bound) and 3% (Quarry Bay bound) respectively.

In view of the above, it is proposed to truncate the routeing of Route No. N72 to ply between Wah Kwai Estate and Tin Hau Station and convert the route to circular service. In addition, the routeing of Tin Hau bound journeys will be altered to travel via Ngan Mok Street, Lau Li Street and King's Road. An additional special departure will be operated from Tin Hau Station to Wah Kwai at 5.54 a.m.

To tie in with the proposed service adjustment of Route No. N72, new Octopus / electronic payment bus-bus interchange concessions between CTB Route Nos. 72, 592, N8X and N72 will be offered.

Details of the proposed service are as follows:

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| Route | N72 |
| Terminating Points | Wah Kwai Estate to Tin Hau Station (Circular) Tin Hau Station to Wah Kwai Estate (Special Departure) |
| Service Hours | <p><u>From Wah Kwai:</u> Daily 12.10 a.m. to 5.00 a.m.</p> <p><u>From Tin Hau Station (Special Departure):</u> Daily 5.54 a.m. (one departure)</p> |
| Frequency | 20-30 mins |
| Routeing | <p><u>From Wah Kwai Estate:</u> Tin Wan Praya Road, flyover, Shek Pai Wan Road, Aberdeen Praya Road, Wu Nam Street, Aberdeen Bus Terminus, Aberdeen Main Road, Wong Chuk Hang Road, Nam Long Shan Road, Wong Chuk Hang Temporary Bus Terminus, Nam Long Shan Road, Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen Tunnel, Wong Nai Chung Road, Morrison Hill Road, Tin Lok Lane, Hennessy Road, Yee Wo Street, Causeway Road, King's Road, <u>Ngan Mok Street, Lau Li Street, King's Road,</u> Causeway Road, Irving Street, Pennington Street, Yee Wo Street, Hennessy Road, Canal Road bus only lane, Canal Road East, Morrison Hill Road, Wong Nai Chung Road, Aberdeen Tunnel, Wong Chuk Hang Road, Ocean Park Road, Heung Yip Road, Police School Road, Nam Long Shan Road, Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen Praya Road, flyover, Aberdeen Main Road, Lok Yeung Street, Tung Sing Road, Aberdeen Main Road, flyover, Aberdeen Praya Road and Tin Wan Praya Road.</p> <p><u>From Tin Hau Station (Special Departure):</u> Ngan Mok Street, Lau Li Street, King's Road, Causeway Road, Irving Street, Pennington Street, Yee Wo Street, Hennessy Road, Canal Road bus only lane, Canal Road East, Morrison Hill Road, Wong Nai Chung Road, Aberdeen Tunnel, Wong Chuk Hang Road, Ocean Park Road, Heung Yip Road, Police School Road, Nam Long Shan Road, Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen Praya Road, flyover, Aberdeen Main Road, Lok Yeung Street, Tung Sing Road, Aberdeen Main Road, flyover, Aberdeen Praya Road and Tin Wan Praya Road.</p> |
| Full Fare per Single Journey | \$9.7 (Unchanged) |
| Vehicle Allocation | 3 Double-decker Buses |

Arrangement after Service Adjustment

Affected passengers may use the following alternative services or bus-bus interchange arrangement:

1. Alternative Services

| Origin | Destination | Alternative | Fare |
|---------------------------------|-------------|---------------|---|
| To Eastern District | | | |
| Between Wan Chai and Quarry Bay | | Route No. N8X | \$7.0 |
| To Southern District | | | |
| Between Quarry Bay and Wan Chai | | Route No. N8X | \$7.6 [#] / \$5.6 [#] |

To enjoy the two-way session fare, passengers must use the same Octopus or same electronic payment instrument when boarding and alighting the bus.

2. Bus-bus Interchange Arrangement

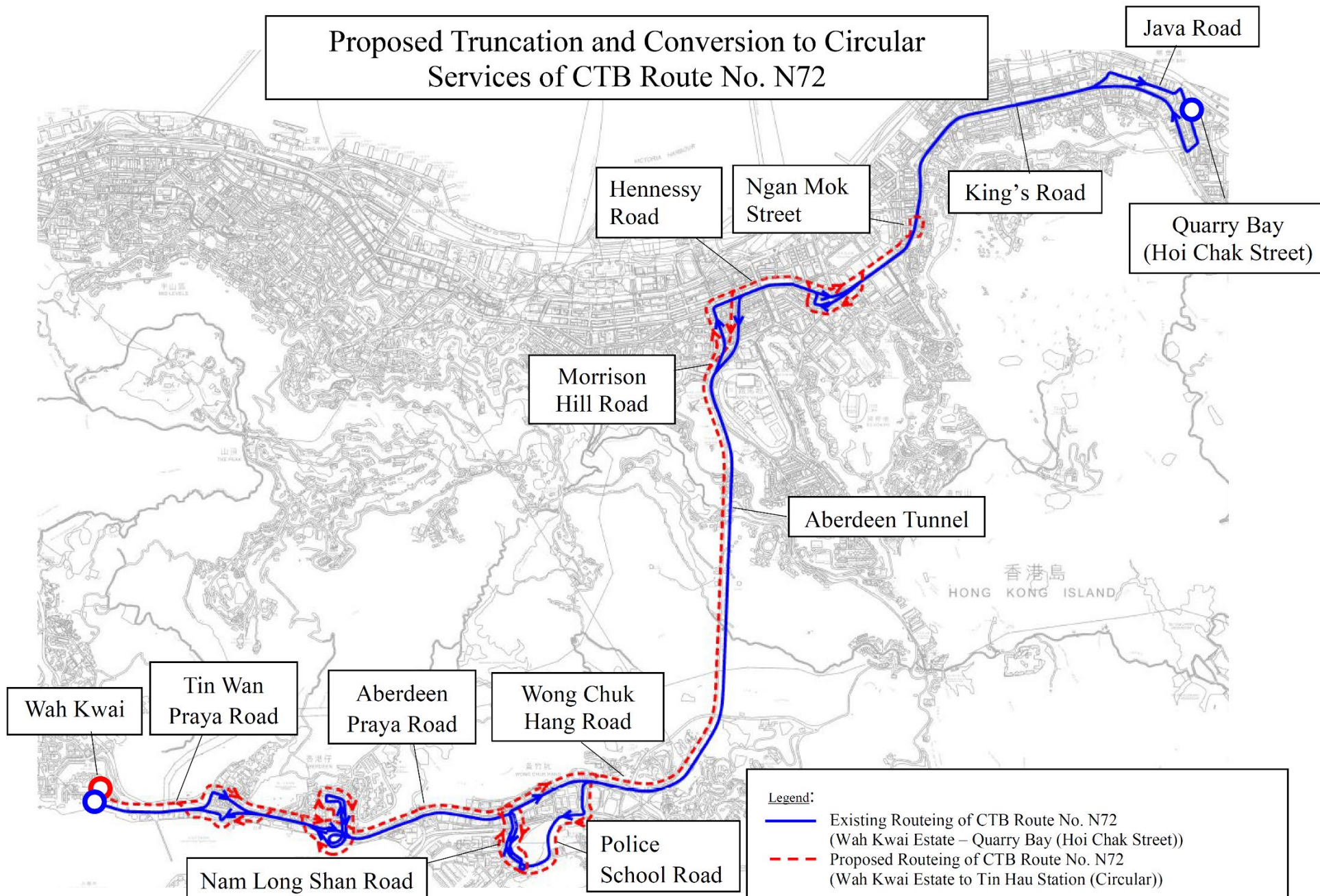
| Origin | Destination | Interchange Details | Fare | No. of Affected Passengers | Interchange Location |
|--|--|---|--------------------|----------------------------|--|
| To Eastern District | | | | | |
| Wah Kwai to Aberdeen Tunnel Toll Plaza | Fortress Hill to Quarry Bay | Route No. N72 interchanging with Route No. N8X. | \$9.7 | About 30 | Hennessy Road outside Sogo Department Store |
| To Southern District | | | | | |
| Quarry Bay to Fortress Hill | Aberdeen Tunnel Toll Plaza to Wah Kwai | Route No. N8X interchanging with Route Nos. 72/592/N72. | \$9.7 [@] | About 100 | Causeway Road outside Hong Kong Central Library or Hennessy Road outside Hysan Place |

The bus company will coordinate the frequency of the routes to shorten the waiting time for interchange.

@ To enjoy the two-way session fare and interchange concession, passengers of Route No. N8X must use the same Octopus or same electronic payment instrument when boarding and alighting the bus.

Proposed Implementation Date

3rd Quarter 2022



Proposed Truncation and Conversion to Circular Services of CTB Route No. N90**Existing Operation Details**

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| Route | N90 |
| Terminating Points | South Horizons – Central (Macau Ferry) |
| Service Hours | <u>From South Horizons:</u> Daily 12.10 a.m. to 5.00 a.m. <u>From Central (Macau Ferry):</u> Daily 12.30 a.m. to 5.40 a.m. |
| Frequency | 25 - 30 mins |
| Full Fare per Single Journey | \$9.7 |
| Patronage | Average occupancy of each departure: 10% |
| Vehicle Allocation | 5 Double-decker Buses |

The Proposal

Currently, the patronage of CTB Route No. N90 remains low with an average occupancy of each departure at around 10%. Passengers of the route mainly travel between Southern District and Wan Chai / Admiralty, while the average occupancy between the section of Admiralty and Central (Macau Ferry) is only about 6% (Central bound) and 4% (South Horizons bound) respectively.

In view of the above, it is proposed to truncate the routeing of Route No. N90 to ply between South Horizons and Admiralty Station and convert the route to circular service. In addition, the routeing of Admiralty bound journeys will be altered to travel via Luard Road, Gloucester Road, Harcourt Road and Cotton Tree Drive slip road in lieu of Queensway. An additional special departure will be operated from Admiralty Station to South Horizons at 5.54 a.m.

To tie in with the proposed service adjustment of Route No. N90, new Octopus bus-bus interchange concessions between CTB Route Nos. N8X and N90 will be offered. In addition, for passengers of Route No. N8X (Kennedy Town bound), a new en-route stop at Hennessy Road outside CNT Tower and a new two-way section fare (\$9.7) from Central (Macau Ferry) to Admiralty will be provided.

Details of the proposed service are as follows:

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|-------------------------------------|---|
| Route | N90 |
| Terminating Points | South Horizons to Admiralty Station (Circular) Admiralty Station to South Horizons (Special Departure) |
| Service Hours | <p><u>From South Horizons:</u> Daily 12.10 a.m. to 5.00 a.m.</p> <p><u>From Admiralty Station (Special Departure):</u> Daily 5.54 a.m. (one departure)</p> |
| Frequency | 20 - 30 mins |
| Routeing | <p><u>From South Horizons:</u> Yi Nam Road, Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road, Ap Lei Chau Drive, Lei Tung Estate Road, Ap Lei Chau Drive, Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road, Wong Chuk Hang Road, Aberdeen Tunnel, Wong Nai Chung Road, Morrison Hill Road, Tin Lok Lane, Hennessy Road, <u>Luard Road, Gloucester Road, Harcourt Road, Cotton Tree Drive Slip Road</u>, Queensway, Hennessy Road, Fenwick Street, Johnston Road, Wan Chai Road, Morrison Hill Road, Wong Nai Chung Road, Aberdeen Tunnel, Wong Chuk Hang Road, Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road, Ap Lei Chau Drive, Lei Tung Estate Road, Ap Lei Chau Drive, Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road and Yi Nam Road.</p> <p><u>From South Horizons (Special Departure):</u> Queensway, Hennessy Road, Fenwick Street, Johnston Road, Wan Chai Road, Morrison Hill Road, Wong Nai Chung Road, Aberdeen Tunnel, Wong Chuk Hang Road, Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road, Ap Lei Chau Drive, Lei Tung Estate Road, Ap Lei Chau Drive, Ap Lei Chau Bridge Road and Yi Nam Road.</p> |
| Full Fare per Single Journey | \$9.7 (Unchanged) |
| Vehicle Allocation | 3 Double-decker Buses |

Arrangement after Service Adjustment

Affected passengers may use the following alternative services or bus-bus interchange arrangement:

1. Alternative Services

| Origin | Destination | Alternative | Fare |
|------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| To Central | | | |
| Between Wan Chai and Central | | Route No. N8X | \$6.5 [#] |
| To Southern District | | | |
| Between Central and Wan Chai | | Route Nos. N8X / N90 / N962 / N969 | \$9.7 [#] / \$10.2 |

[#] To enjoy the two-way session fare, passengers must use the same Octopus or same electronic payment instrument when boarding and alighting the bus.

2. Bus-bus Interchange Arrangement

| Origin | Destination | Interchange Details | Fare | No. of Affected Passengers | Interchange Location |
|--|--|---|--------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| To Central | | | | | |
| South Horizons to Aberdeen Tunnel Toll Plaza | Central | Route No. N90 interchanging with Route No. N8X. | \$9.7 | About 80 | Hennessy Road outside CNT Tower |
| To Southern District | | | | | |
| Central | Aberdeen Tunnel Toll Plaza to South Horizons | Route No. N8X interchanging with Route No. N90. | \$9.7 [@] | About 50 | Admiralty Station |

The bus company will coordinate the frequency of the routes to shorten the waiting time for interchange.

[@] To enjoy the two-way session fare and interchange concession, passengers of Route No. N8X must use the same Octopus or same electronic payment instrument when boarding and alighting the bus.

Proposed Implementation Date

3rd Quarter 2022

Proposed Truncation and Conversion to Circular Services of CTB Route No. N90

