## Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2006-07

## CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION

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Head 706 - Highways

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Director of Bureau: Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works

Question: Regarding the project 6069TI "Public transport interchange at Ping Shek adjacent to Choi Hung Mass Transit Railway station", please advise on -

- (a) the details of the project;
- (b) the anticipated progress and estimated expenditure in 2006-07;
- (c) the impact on the local traffic; and
- (d) the anticipated completion date.

Asked by: Hon. CHAN Yuen-han

Reply:

- (a) The project comprises
  - i. the construction of a two-storey Public Transport Interchange (PTI);
  - the construction of two access ramps linking the first floor of the ii. PTI with Clear Water Bay Road;
  - iii. the installation of lighting, electrical and mechanical systems for the PTI; and
  - the ancillary environmental mitigation measures, drainage and iv. landscaping works.
- (b) The project has been substantially completed. The ground level of the PTI will be opened before end March 2006. The roadworks associated with the first floor of the PTI is still in progress. The estimated expenditure in 2006-07 is \$61.8 million.
- (c) During construction of the two access ramps, uphill and downhill traffic along Clear Water Bay Road will be slightly affected but appropriate traffic arrangement, including erection of temporary signage, coning and provision of barriers, will be implemented to minimise any adverse effects.
- (d) The remaining works is anticipated to be completed by December 2006.

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