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Question (Member Question No. 606):

In order to provide more options of major public transportation modes to the residents of Siu Sai Wan, will the Transport Department conduct any studies on adding a new MTR station in Siu Sai Wan? If yes, what are the details? If no, what are the reasons?

Asked by: Hon. CHEUNG Kwok-che

Reply:

The Government has commissioned a consultant to conduct a study for the Review and Update of the Railway Development Strategy 2000, with a view to updating the long-term railway development blueprint for Hong Kong to cater for the latest development needs of the society. Two stages of Public Engagement exercise were conducted to explore the conceptual proposals of ten railway schemes (including the Siu Sai Wan Line).

The Government is finalising the blueprint for railway development beyond 2020 having regard to transport demand, cost-effectiveness and development needs of New Development Areas. The Government will announce the way forward for the new railway proposals as soon as possible.