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(Attn.: Mr Paul Zimmerman)

Dear Mr Zimmerman,

Missing and sub-standard pedestrian connections in the Central & Western District

Thank you for your letter dated 27 January 2015 conveying the public concerns regarding pedestrian environment at various locations in Central & Western District. Please refer to the attached table for our responses.

Please be assured that we will keep monitoring the pedestrian facilities in Central and Western district and implement improvement measures when required. Thank you again for your comments on traffic and transport issues in Central and Western district.

Yours faithfully,

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Missing and sub-standard pedestrian connections in the Central & western District (5 March 2015)

	Location	Problem	TD's Response
1	Des Voeux Road Central	Missing crossing	Pedestrians could use the existing signalized pedestrian crossings at Des Voeux Road Central near its junction with Pedder Street and Pottinger Street. However, we will investigate the feasibility to provide signalized crossing at the concerned location to meet the public demand.
2	Junction between Wellington Street and Lyndhurst Terrace	Missing crossing	The sightline to motorists and pedestrians is clear at the concerned location. Pedestrians could cross Wellington Street and Lyndhurst Terrace safely when there is no traffic. However, we will investigate the feasibility to provide cautionary crossing at the concerned location to meet the public demand.
3	Intersection of Wyndham Street and Arbuthnot Road	Missing crossing	The section of Wyndham Street is a one-way street about 250m long and with traffic light controlled crossings at both ends (i.e. at junction with Hollywood Road and with Glenealy respectively). While pedestrians generally need to observe carefully the approaching traffic before crossing the road, two proposed zebra crossings would adversely affect the traffic flow along Wyndham Street. In view of the locations of existing crossing facilities and the traffic conditions, we have reservation on the proposal.
4	Wyndham Street and Centrium Stairway	Missing crossing	
5	Park Road	Narrow footpath	As footpath widening works could not be proceeded at this stage because of land resumption issue, we will continue to monitor the situation and review the need of providing further signs / road markings if appropriate. Meanwhile, we will also keep close liaison with relevant government departments regarding land issue.

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6	Breezy Path	Narrow footpath	<p>Your suggestion of building set-back is noted. We will convey your suggestion to Education Bureau for their consideration. Based on our preliminary assessment, it is infeasible to remove staircases on the western side of Breezy Path near Bonham Road.</p> <p>Continuous footpath is currently available along the eastern side of Breezy Path. As mentioned in previous response, we will continue to monitor the situation and review the need of improvement works including erecting appropriate warning signs for pedestrians/motorists.</p>
7	Hillier Street	Narrow footpath	Your suggestion is noted. In pedestrianisation area, shared use of road space by vehicles and pedestrians may be considered where situation warrants and appropriate safety measures are adopted. However, in non-pedestrianisation area and taking into account of Hillier Street serving the area/zone in question, such shared use would result in safety problems. Using bollards as mean of separation would restrict the pedestrian passageway where existing footpath is narrow.
8	Chung Kong Road (under Shun Tak Centre)	Missing footpath	The concerned location is within private lot. We are unable to implement any improvement works at the concerned location. Pedestrians are advised to use footpath of Connaught Road West fronting Shun Tak Centre.
9	Queen's Road West (near Li Sing Street)	Missing dropped kerb	The works was completed in January 2015.

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10	Intersection of Park Road and Lyttelton Road	Missing crossing	As mentioned in previous response, pedestrians are advised to use the designated crossing outside Park Road No. 2 for crossing Park Road. The concerned location is a two-way carriageway. Simply painting road marking of "Look Left / Look Right" at the concerned location for a major road with two ways traffic but without a refuge island would create safety problems. Therefore, we have reservation to the proposal. Nevertheless, we will continue to monitor the situation and review the need of improvement works if situation warrants.
12	Belcher's Street	Narrow footpath	There are tunnel portal and slope with trees adjacent to the concerned section of footpath. The site constraints have restricted the feasibility of footpath widening. Pedestrians could use the opposite footpath to walk along the Belcher's Street. To enhance pedestrian safety, we have installed a warning sign to alert motorists of pedestrians walking on the footpath.
13	Tamar Footbridge, Harcourt Road	Missing connection to Admiralty Centre	Admiralty Centre is a private building. We have no right to construct footbridge to the building.
14	Conduit Road Escalator Exit	Sub-standard footpath	Having further reviewed the current condition, we consider the layout thereof appropriate and would not create obstruction to pedestrians including the wheelchair users. Nevertheless, we will continue to monitor the situation and consider appropriate measure for implementation where necessary.
15	Mosque Junction	Narrow footpath	Your suggestion is noted. In pedestrianisation area, shared use of road space by vehicles and pedestrians may be considered where situation warrants and appropriate safety measures are adopted. However, in non-pedestrianisation area and taking into account of Mosque Junction serving the area/zone in question, such shared use would result in safety problems. Using bollards as mean of separation would restrict the pedestrian passageway where existing footpath is narrow.

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17	Peak Road	Missing and narrow footpath	Your comment is noted. However, we have no information of any scheduled slope works at Peak Road.