

# Harbourfront Commission

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## **Progress Report from Task Force on Kai Tak Harbourfront Development**

### **REPORTING PERIOD**

This progress report covers the period from March to June 2012.

### **MEETING(S) HELD AND THE MAJOR OUTCOME, FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### Ninth Meeting – 12 March 2012

2. The Task Force discussed the following item –

#### **(a) Connecting Kowloon East – Environmentally Friendly Linkage System (EFLS)**

- The Civil Engineering and Development Department briefed the meeting on the proposed EFLS, which would be a 9-kilometre-long monorail system with 12 stations passing through Kai Tak Development (KTD) and the Kwun Tong and Kowloon Bay Mass Transit Railway Stations.
- Members' views were diverse. While some members were supportive of the proposal as it could enhance connectivity and integration of KTD with its adjacent districts and bring about long-term economic benefits, some members expressed concerns over its financial return and the impact of its link bridge across Kwun Tong Typhoon Shelter (KTTS) on the use of the water body. Other alternatives for achieving direct pedestrian access from Kwun Tong to the tip of the former runway, such as movable bridge or tunnel, were also

suggested.

- The meeting noted that the proposal was only at an initial stage of public engagement, and the views of Task Force would be taken into account in conducting further studies and consultations with stakeholders. That notwithstanding, Members generally acknowledged that it would be practically difficult, if not infeasible, to accommodate every desired use in KTTS.

**(b) “Energizing Kowloon East” Initiative**

- The Energizing Kowloon East Office of the Development Bureau made a brief presentation on the progress of its initiative thus far and its new office underneath the Kwun Tong Bypass. It was agreed that a site visit could be conducted to explore good use of the adjoining space under the Bypass.

**Secretariat**

**Task Force on Kai Tak Harbourfront Development**

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