

**Expansion of Hong Kong International Airport into a
Three-Runway System
Fifteenth Meeting of Professional Liaison Group
Notes of Meeting**

The fifteenth meeting of the Professional Liaison Group (PLG) was held on 5th February 2026. During the meeting, the Airport Authority Hong Kong (AAHK) delivered an update on the Expansion of the Hong Kong International Airport (HKIA) into a Three-Runway System (3RS) Project, along with other ongoing airport developments. The presentation included a summary of Environmental Monitoring and Audit (EM&A) results and marine ecology and sustainability initiatives at HKIA. Members also visited HKIA's brand-new showroom showcasing the SKYTOPIA project, a visionary destination that blends business, art, sports, recreation, water activities, and entertainment, designed to attract travellers, families, and holidaymakers.

Members present:

Ir Dr Cary CHAN, JP	Green Building Expert
Mr Erik CHAN	International Air Transport Association
Ir Norman CHENG	Hong Kong Waste Management Association
Prof CHU Ka Hou	School of Life Sciences, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Prof Brian KOT	Jockey Club College of Veterinary Medicine and Life Sciences, City University of Hong Kong
Mr Ken LAU	Airports Council International (ACI) Asia-Pacific & Middle East
Ir LEE Ping Kuen	The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers
Dr LUI Sun Wing	The Hong Kong Association for the Advancement of Science and Technology
Ir Kenny WONG Siu Wai	The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers
Prof Ir Steve WONG	Environment & Sustainability Committee, The Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce
Dr Cynthia YAU	Marine and Fisheries Ecologist

Members absent with apologies:

Jason CHANG	The American Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong
Ir Albert CHENG	Construction Industry Council
Ir Gordon CHO	Dashun Policy Research Centre
Prof Jackson HO	Hong Kong Airline Service Providers Association
Prof Alexis LAU	Division of Environment and Sustainability, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
Mr Simon NG	Business Environment Council
Ms Josephine WONG	Ocean Park Conservation Foundation Hong Kong
Mr Philip WONG Wing Hong	Ocean Park Corporation

In attendance:

Mr Peter LEE	Airport Authority Hong Kong (AAHK)
Mr K H SIU	Airport Authority Hong Kong (AAHK)
Mr Martin PUTNAM	Airport Authority Hong Kong (AAHK)
Mr Eden NGAN	Airport Authority Hong Kong (AAHK)
Ms Kristy TAN	Airport Authority Hong Kong (AAHK)

Mr Eric CHING	Mott MacDonald (MM)
Ms Julia CHAN	Mott MacDonald (MM)

1.0 Welcome and Introduction

1.1 AAHK welcomed members and expressed appreciation for their participation in both the meeting and the visit. Environmental consultants supporting the implementation of the 3RS Project were introduced. The importance of the PLG meeting as a two-way communication platform was emphasised, and members were encouraged to raise questions and share comments at any point during the presentation.

2.0 Presentation by AAHK and their Consultant

2.1 AAHK updated members on the 3RS Project, other ongoing airport developments, and progress on marine ecology and sustainability initiatives at HKIA.

2.2 MM presented the EM&A programme status, including monitoring results of Chinese White Dolphins (CWD).

3.0 Questions and comments from PLG members

3.1 Members raised questions and the key discussion points are summarised below.

3.2 Regarding the CWD Rebound Survey using Passive Acoustic Monitoring (PAM), a question was raised as to whether CWDs’ activities could be identified from the detected echolocation clicks. The AAHK team responded that while the clicks indicate the presence of CWDs, their activities at that moment in time could not be determined.

3.3 Regarding the CWD Rebound Survey, a question was raised about the backup plan should the survey results be not conclusive. The AAHK team explained that the survey enables observation of overall changes and rebound patterns of CWDs in the North Lantau waters. Apart from the CWD Redound Survey undertaken by AAHK, the Marine Ecology Enhancement Fund has also funded a number of projects for academics and NGOs in both Hong Kong and the Chinese Mainland to conduct CWD surveys in Hong Kong and Pearl River Estuary (PRE) waters.

3.4 Regarding the CWD vessel line transect surveys, a question was raised about the use of photo-identification. The AAHK team explained that more than 10 years of survey data have been collected, comprising over 3,500 photo identification records, of which some 360 identified CWD individuals that have been tracked in Hong Kong waters.

3.5 Regarding the query on the installation of solar panels at HKIA, the AAHK team explained that while efforts are being made to explore more installation of photovoltaic panels at HKIA, considerations such as potential impact of glare on aviation safety in an airport environment must be carefully assessed.

3.6 Regarding the connecting bridge between the expanded Terminal 2 and 11 SKIES, a question was raised about its opening schedule. The AAHK team responded that the construction of the bridge is largely completed and will open to tie in with the phased opening of both the expanded Terminal 2 and 11 SKIES.

4.0 Conclusion

4.1 AAHK thanked PLG members for their attendance, valuable insights and suggestions.

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