

# Harbourfront Commission

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For discussion  
on 5 May 2020

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## **Progress Report from Task Force on Water-land Interface and Harbourfront Activation**

### **REPORTING PERIOD**

This progress report covers the period from November 2019 to March 2020, where one Task Force workshop had been conducted.

### **WORKSHOP HELD AND THE MAJOR OUTCOME, FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### Interactive Workshop – 18 November 2019

2. An interactive workshop was held for Urbis, the consultant of the Study on Design Guidelines for Promenade and Measures for Better Water-land Interface, to gauge Members' views on the study scope and the preliminary ideas of the design guidelines for promenades.

3. Following Urbis' presentation on the study background and initial findings, Members were divided into groups for in-depth discussion. Among others, the following points were commonly raised by Members –

- the study should help to research into updated overseas examples for local reference where appropriate;
- the study itself could serve as an engaging process for relevant stakeholders to exchange views;
- the guidelines could identify the target users of each part of the harbourfront and reflect the uniqueness of each location;
- the study should consider a variety of possible uses in waterfront promenade having regard to individual site conditions;

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- efforts should be made to connect people to the water. Fence-free design should be adopted where appropriate;
- a matrix could be proposed to suggest options for dealing with similar sites, instead of mandating outcomes; and
- the guidelines could provide examples of bad practices and give insights of what should be avoided.

4. Urbis had separately prepared a detailed record to summarise the key points of discussion which was circulated to Members on 5 March 2020. Urbis will consult Members again when the next stage of work is ready.

**Secretariat**

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