

# Harbourfront Commission

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For discussion  
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## **Progress Report from Task Force on Harbourfront Developments in Kowloon, Tsuen Wan and Kwai Tsing**

### **REPORTING PERIOD**

This progress report covers the period from July to November 2016.

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

#### Twenty Fourth Meeting – 22 September 2016

2. The Task Force discussed the following issues/items -

**(a) Tsim Sha Tsui East and Tsim Sha Tsui West Action Areas – Updates on the Avenue of Stars**

- The proponents presented the refined design for revitalising the Avenue of Stars (AoS) after taking into account comments raised by various stakeholders at a design workshop on 9 September 2016. Members generally supported the design as it had incorporated comments raised by Members of the Task Force, other stakeholders and the general public. The adoption of a simplified design was also welcomed. Detailed comments were offered on design issues such as location of movie elements, provision of greenery and shades and design of seating, kiosks and lighting features.
- The Task Force asked the proponent to re-open the AoS for public enjoyment as soon as practicable. Information on management rules, activities to be allowed on the AoS, price range of the food and beverage services to be sold and crowd management measures should be provided to the Task Force for comments.

**(b) Progress Update on the West Kowloon Cultural District**

- The West Kowloon Cultural District (WKCD) Authority updated the Task Force on the progress of development initiatives in WKCD including Xiqu Centre, the Artist

Square Development Area (ASDA) and the Park. To provide more space at pedestrian pavement along Austin Road West westbound, the staircase and lift tower of the Artistic Square Bridge, which would connect Elements shopping mall to WKCD, would be incorporated into the nearby hotel/office/residential building in ASDA. The Authority also reported that a Pier Concept Design and Business Case Study had been commissioned to examine the opportunities to allow marine access at various points along the waterfront.

- The Task Force noted the report and Members supported the revised design of the Artistic Square Bridge. One Member asked for more information on the design of the future underground public transport facilities within WKCD and the Authority agreed to present the design of the basement to the Task Force when ready.

## **(c) Open Space Development at Hung Hom Waterfront**

- The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) briefed Members on the conceptual design of the project to develop open space at a vacant site at Kin Wan Street and the upgrading of the Hung Hom waterfront promenade, which was opened for public use as a “quick-win” advance promenade in 2011.
- Members in general supported the design concept which had made reference to the old Whampoa Dock. Members offered detailed comments on design issues including provision of seating, leisure facilities, shades and kiosks; selection of tree species; and design of railings. They opined that diversified activities such as skateboarding and fishing should be allowed and facilitated along the future promenade. Members would like to see further enhancement of the accessibility from Tsim Sha Tsui to Hung Hom. LCSD was also urged to review the positioning of the three public open space sites near Hung Hom Ferry Pier to avoid monotonous design and to offer a wider variety of facilities.

## **(d) Lei Yue Mun Village Sewerage Project**

- The Environmental Protection Department and the Drainage Services Department briefed Members on the project to develop public sewerage in Lei Yue Mun Village and implement other measures to minimise polluted flow

from discharging into the harbour, with a view to improving the water quality near the Village.

- Members unanimously supported the project. They suggested the departments to carry out the works as soon as practicable while minimising the impact to the nearby environment, residents and owners of restaurants. The Government should assist households to connect to the sewerage system as far as practicable during the implementation stage.

**(e) Proposed Temporary Government Land Allocation for Temporary Barging Facility at Kwai Yue Lane, Kwai Chung**

- The Highways Department sought Members' views on the proposed temporary land allocation to use a site in Kwai Chung near Rambler Channel Public Cargo Working Area as a barging point. The barging point would be used for transporting some of the excavated materials to disposal sites and mud pits by sea to facilitate construction of the Central Kowloon Route.
- Members were concerned that the location proposed for the barging point was too far from the construction site. While noting that the project team had already considered other alternative locations and proposed measures to mitigate environmental and traffic impact, supplementary information including a more in-depth analysis on its need and environmental impact assessment results should be provided for the Task Force to further consider the proposal.

Twenty Fifth Meeting – 18 November 2016

3. The Task Force discussed the following issue -

**(a) Draft Planning Brief for the Two "Comprehensive Development Area" Zones at the Lin Cheung Road Site, Sham Shui Po**

- The Planning Department (PlanD) briefed Members on the draft planning brief for the Two "Comprehensive Development Area" (CDA) zones at Lin Cheung Road in Sham Shui Po.

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- Members agreed that the design of the two CDA zones should be coordinated and suggested to tie in the development of both sites as far as practicable. While the development of the public open space and waterfront promenade could be entrusted to the future developers, the management and maintenance might be taken up by the Government. More diversified uses including marine access should be allowed at the waterfront promenade with suitable provision of landing facilities.

**Secretariat**

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