Temporary Uses at the New Central Harbourfront

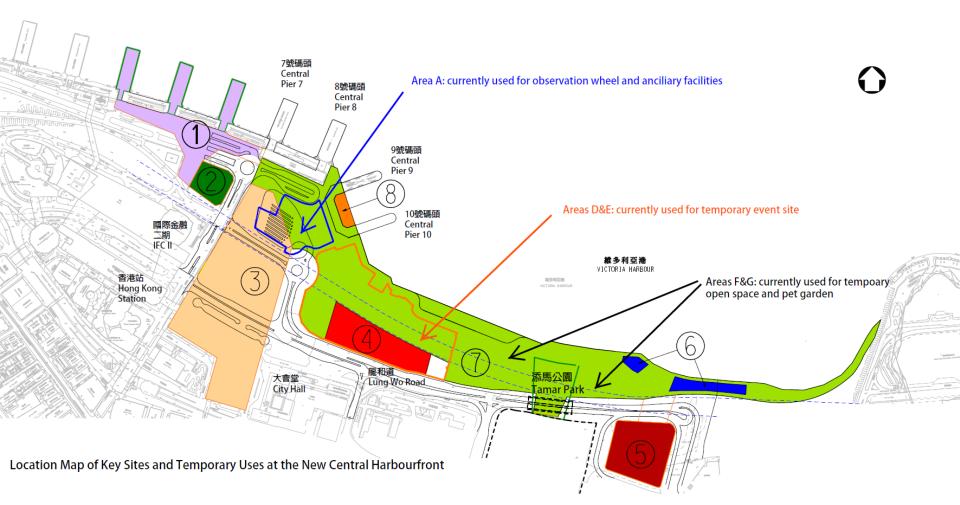
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• To seek Members' views on the proposed temporary uses in the new Central Harbourfront



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The Hong Kong Observation Wheel

Location	Next to the Central Piers 9 & 10	
Area	Around 1 hectare (Comprises a portion of Sites 3 and 7)	
Temporary Uses	Let to an operator through open tender to operate an observation wheel and ancillary facilities for three years till June 2016. After receiving relevant licenses and installation of the wheel, the facilities were opened for public enjoyment in	
	December 2014.	



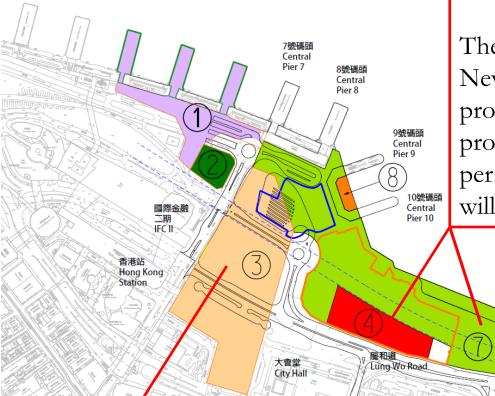
Areas D&E –

Central Harbourfront Event Space

Location	To the north of Lung Wo Road, across street from the City Hall
Area	3.6 hectares (comprises the entire Site 4 and part of Site 7)
Temporary Uses	Let to an operator through open tender for organising events and activities for three years till May 2017.



Long-term Development



Sites 4 and 7

The Urban Design Study for the New Central Harbourfront has proposed this area to be waterfront promenade. It is expected that permanent development of this area will not commence before 2020.

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Site 3

Comprehensive Development Area. It is expected that permanent development can be started in two or three years' time when related works completed and Government facilities relocated.

Public Response

The Hong Kong Observation Wheel

- Around 60m in height; snack kiosks are provided in the surrounding area
- It is now Hong Kong's new hot spot and new landmark along the coastal line of Hong Kong Island

Central Harbourfront Event Space

- 63 events and activities were organized as of end of July 2015
 - Including a carnival with amusement rides, Cavalia, Art Central and Lai Yuen Super Summer
- The various events and activities have attracted a patronage of over one million as of July 2015

Proposed Temporary Uses

Development Bureau proposes -

To continue using Area A for operating an observation wheel with ancillary facilities for one year until mid-2017.

To continue using Areas D and E for organising events and activities for three years until mid-2020.

Harbour Planning Principles

We consider that the proposal aligns with the Harbour Planning Principles in the following aspects –

- Preserving Victoria Harbour
- Public Engagement
- Sustainable Development and Integrated Planning
- Proactive Harbour Enhancement
- Vibrant Harbour and Public Enjoyment

Way Forward

If the proposal is supported by the Task Force, DEVB will work with various departments to work on the procedures in administering the two proposals.



Members are invited to give views on the proposal.

