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First Phase of Runway Park at Kai Tak

PURPOSE

This paper seeks Members' views on the revised design of the first phase of Runway Park (Runway Park Phase 1) at Kai Tak.

BACKGROUND

2. An initial development is proposed at the tip of the former runway as Runway Park Phase 1 for early public enjoyment of the harbourfront upon commissioning of the Cruise Terminal Building in 2013. It was envisaged to provide mainly passive facilities while major features would be provided in Phase 2.

3. The design of Runway Park Phase 1 was presented to the Task Force on 11 January 2011. Appreciating the unique and prominent harbourfront view offered by the site and its vicinity to the future Cruise Terminal, Members suggested that Runway Park Phase 1 comprised a more extensive lawn area with simple facilities, with a view to facilitating early public enjoyment of the harbourfront while allowing flexibility and reducing abortive works for future development. It was also proposed that there should be supporting facilities for staging activities to attract visitors and increase vibrancy.

REVISED DESIGN

4. Taking into account Members' views, the revised design will include the following:-

(a) a waterfront promenade at the runway tip facing Lei Yue Mun and along the waterfront facing Kwun Tong with a

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continuous traffic-free pedestrian green walkway, sitting out areas and adequate rain shelters at suitable locations, as well as adequate power sockets for staging events and water points for watering plants;

- (b) a large lawn and extensive landscaped area with sitting-out facilities and extensive soft landscape plantings; and
- (c) provision of toilets and ancillary facilities.

5. The total area to be developed under the first phase is now increased from $12,500 \text{ m}^2$ to approximately $27,700 \text{ m}^2$. The lawn will be expanded to cover an area of approximately $15,000 \text{ m}^2$ so that cruise terminal visitors could walk straight from the cruise terminal exit to the waterfront facing Kwun Tong through the lawn.

6. A tentative site plan for the revised design is at **Annex.**

VIEWS SOUGHT

7. Members are invited to note and comment on the revised design.

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