

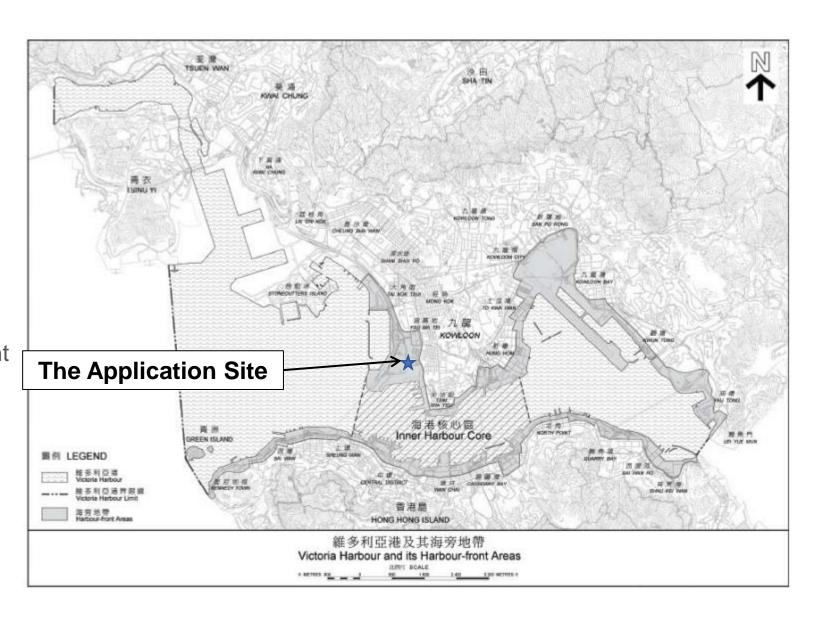
Application Site included within the Harbour-Front Areas

Guided by the relevant Harbourfront Planning Principles (HPP):

HPP3 Sustainable Development
HPP5 Proactive Harbour Enhancement

HPP7 Accessible Harbour

HPP8 Public Enjoyment



Vision of the Outline Zoning Plan

Planning Intention of the CDA (1) zone:

"primarily for office / commercial use, into a strategic rail and <u>high-grade</u> office hub with the provision of open space"

Explanatory Statement Provides Flexibility:

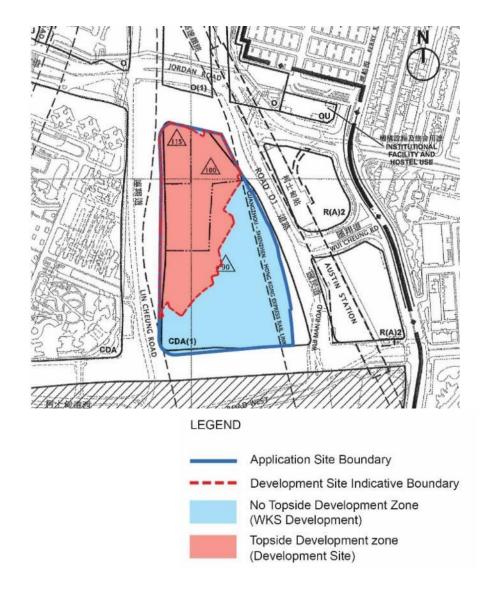
"extension of the Central Business District (CBD) from Tsim Sha Tsui"

"Grade A office...to capitalise...on XRL and the WKCD"

"flexibility for innovative design adapted to the characteristics of the site"

"greater design flexibility for iconic and sustainable architectural design"

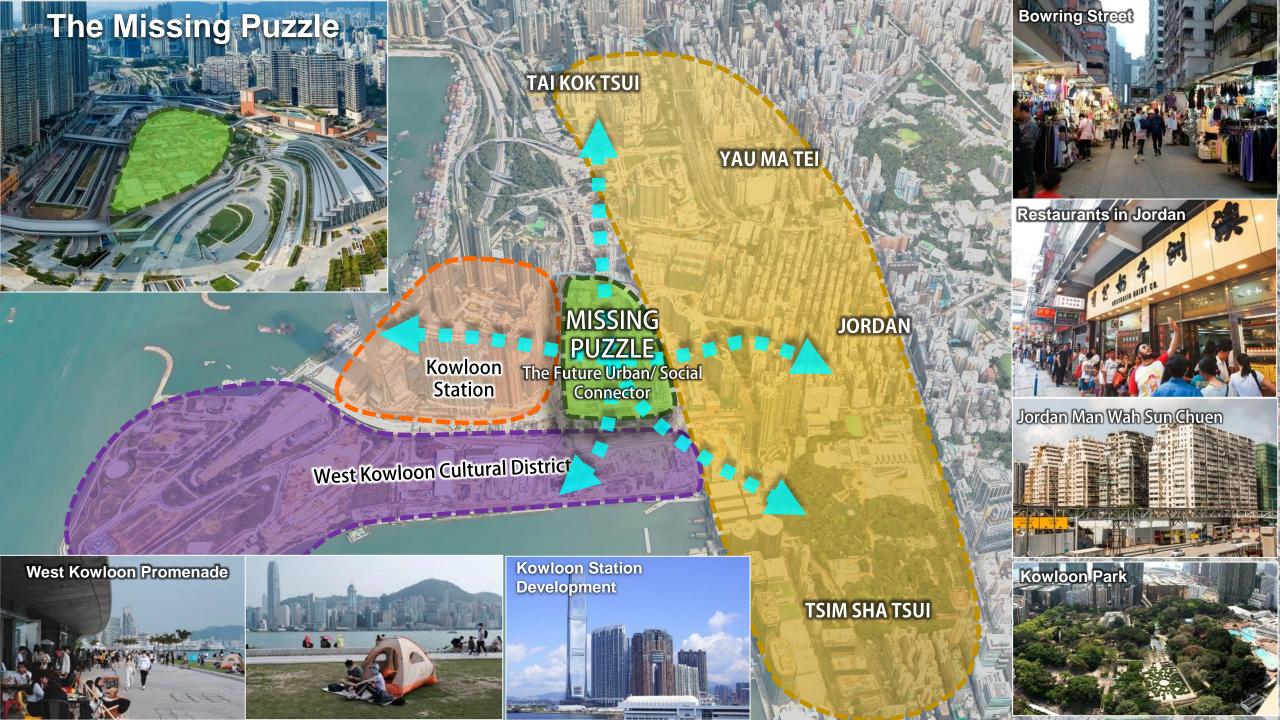
"proposals possessing outstanding planning and design merits."



Three Visions:

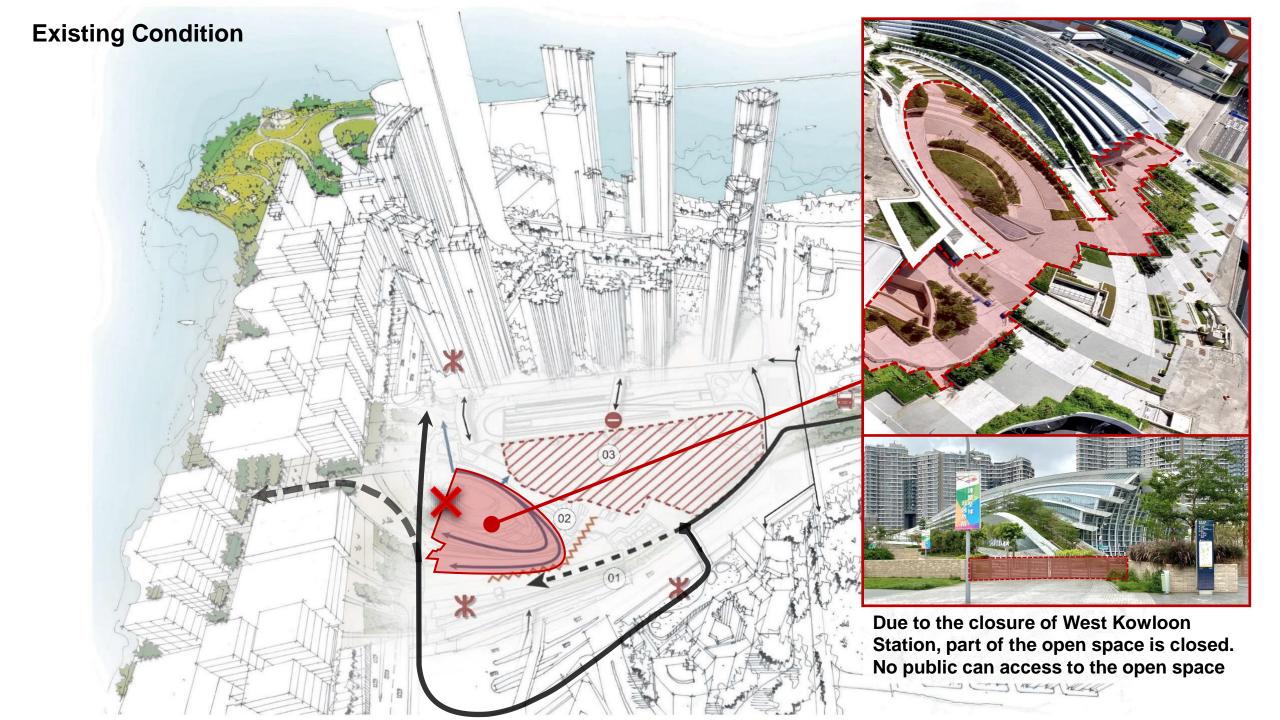
- The West Kowloon Parkway
 1.5km Parkway connecting Yau Tsim
 Mong to West Kowloon Harbourfront
- 100,000 ft² Open Space & Greenery
- New Kowloon





The West Kowloon Parkway

1.5km Parkway connecting Yau Tsim Mong to West Kowloon Harbourfront



Existing Condition



Existing footbridge connecting Austin Station and West Kowloon Station



Due to the closure of West Kowloon Station, pedestrian from WKCD need to pass through Wui Man Road, Austin Station and the existing footbridge in order to go to the Landscape Deck of West Kowloon Station Bus Terminus



Existing footbridge connecting The Elements and West Kowloon Station Bus Terminus – Unappealing



Recreational facilities and soft landscape at the Landscape Deck of West Kowloon Station Bus Terminus – Inadequate facilities and lack of maintenance of soft landscape



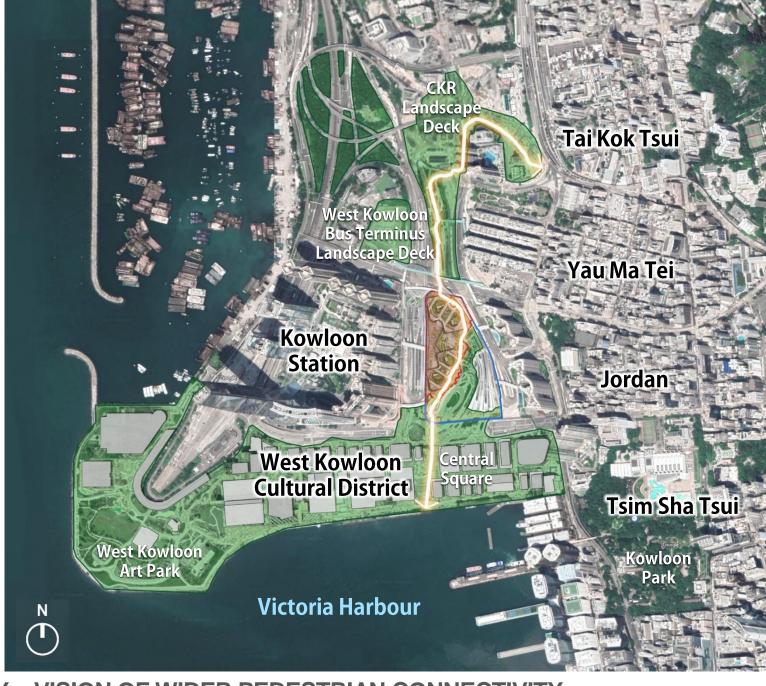
Covered footbridge connecting Landscape Deck of West Kowloon Station Bus Terminus



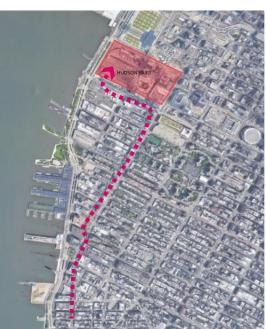
WEST KOWLOON PARKWAY

- Elevated "ONE MILE" pedestrian route connecting Tai Kok Tsui to the Harbourfront
- INNOVATIVE combination of open spaces, urban attractions, lush greenery, sustainability, health and wellness, and CIVIC PRIDE
- Safe and comfortable for diverse user groups; commuters alongside active and passive leisure users





A NEW URBAN TYPOLOGY



Highline-New York (1.75km | 26mins walking distance)



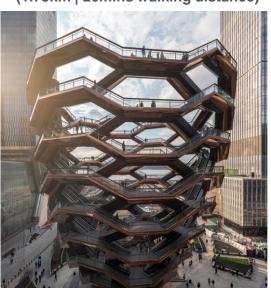
The Tide-London (1.2km | 16mins walking distance)



High Loop-Shanghai (0.8km | 11mins walking distance)



West Kowloon Parkway-Hong Kong (1.5km | 22mins walking distance)







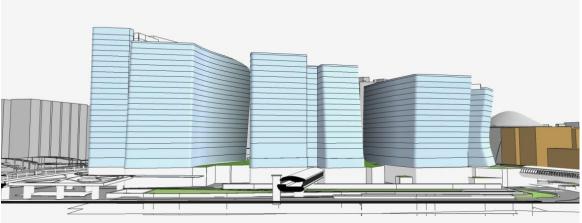


1. Visual Impact to the Surrounding

- Wall effect from dense towers and curved form.
- The narrow gaps reduce visual and air permeability.
- Minimum setback of office towers from Lin Cheung Road.
- The long total facade length causes view obstruction.
- The stepping roof is hardly perceptible due to the minor height differences between towers.
- Large flat roofs are undesirable to be viewed from surrounding developments.



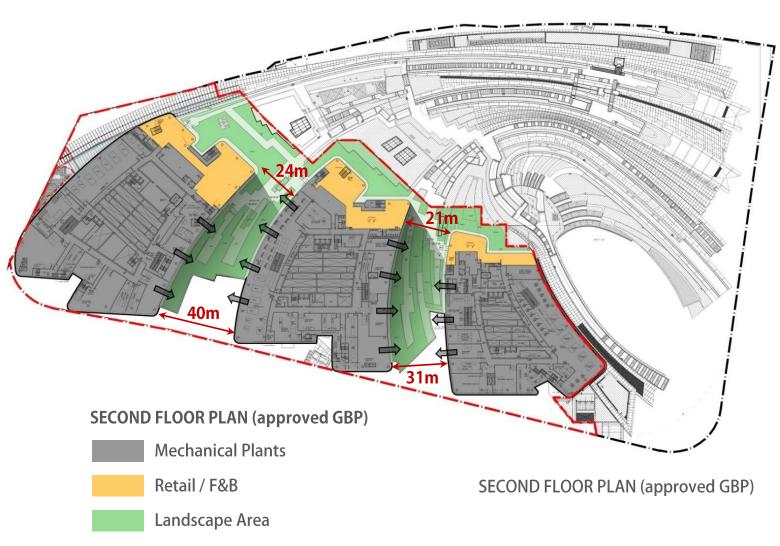
Approved MLP Scheme (2010)



Elevational View from the West

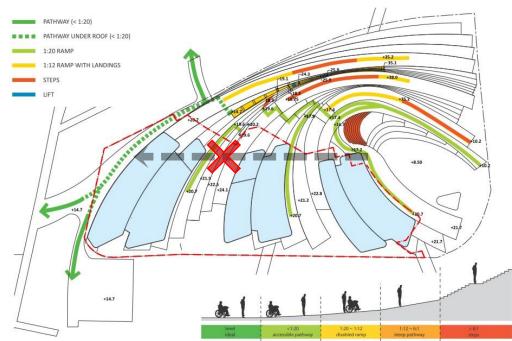
2. Open Space

- 2nd floor podium garden overshadowed.
- Landscape creates dead-end space.
- Surrounded by major mechanical plants.
- Fragmented spaces densely planted to fulfil the greenery requirement.
- Limited access to the 2/F landscape deck.
- Insufficient open spaces to serve the large population of office workers, visitors and neighbourhood.
- Open space reduced by cutouts at the podium deck for EVA / driveway MOA to fulfil the regulatory requirements.



3. Urban Connectivity

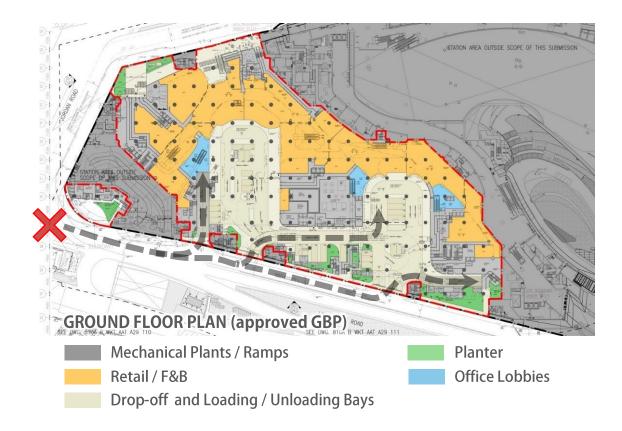
- No direct public paths connecting hinterland to WKCD and harbourfront.
- It is a missed opportunity for enhancing the north-south connection.



Approved MLP Barrier-Free Access Plan (2010)

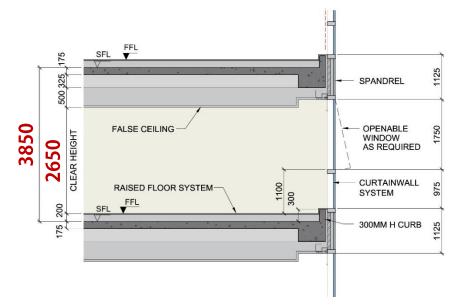
4. Traffic Arrangement

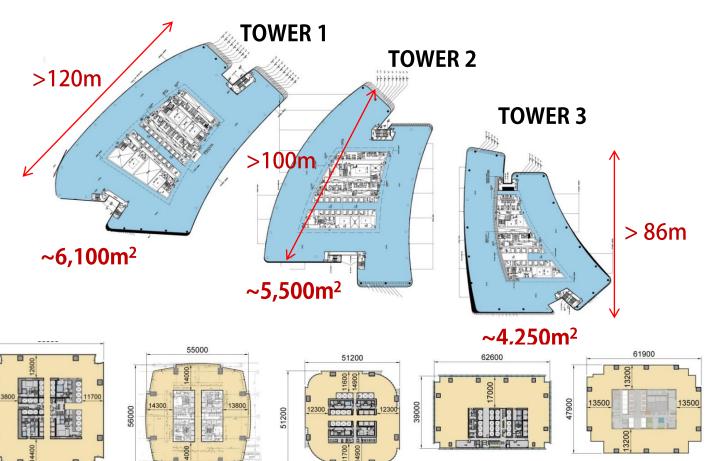
- Office drop-offs at ground floor are mostly covered, shared with retail drop-off and loading / unloading bays;
- A congested and unwelcoming environment for a Grade-A office arrival.
- There is no buffer space for car queueing.



5. Typical Office Space

- Typical floor plates area are too large
- Exceptionally deep and irregular floors are difficult for internal layout planning
- **Close proximity of towers** affects the internal work environment such as daylight / view
- The approved 3.85m floor to floor height is not up to the current standard of **Grade-A offices or Government Office**





International **Commerce Centre**

Floor area: 3.300m² Headroom: 4.21m

Two International **Finance Centre**

Floor area: 2,500m² Headroom: 4.2m

One

Island East

Headroom: 4.25m



Taikoo Place

Floor area: 2.240m² Floor area: 2.230m² Headroom: 4.3m

K11 Victoria Dockside

Floor area: 2,550m² Headroom: 4.2m

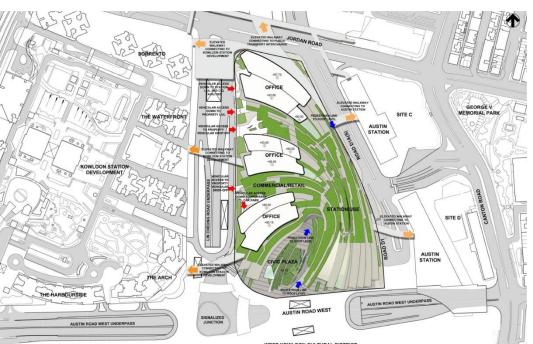
Latest Government Office Floor to Floor Height Study

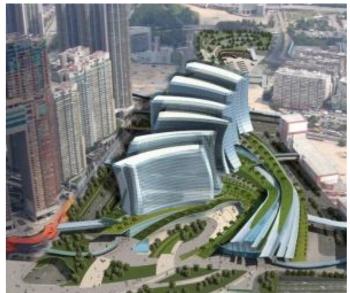
TKO Immigration	West Kowloon	Central Government Office
Headquarters (2024)	Government Office (2019)	Block (2011)
4.325m	4.0m	4.05m

THE APPROVED SCHEME 2010

How can this be improved?

- Create a SIGNIFICANT PUBLIC SPACE, open and permeable
- Stimulate a vibrant public experience through SYNERGISTIC PROGRAMMING
- A public realm enhanced by INNOVATIVE MICRO-CLIMATES and SUSTAINABILITY features
- Improve TRAFFIC FLOW









PRELIMINARY MASSING STUDIES | CREATING PERMEABLE & ACTIVE OPEN SPACE



- Building & Green Coverage limit social space
- Problematic Building Adjacencies
- **Problematic Programme Interfaces**



· Consolidates Building

TWO-TOWER **ARRANGEMENT**

- · Permeable Public Space
- More Focal Space
- Improved Building Adjacencies

ACTIVATE PLAZA

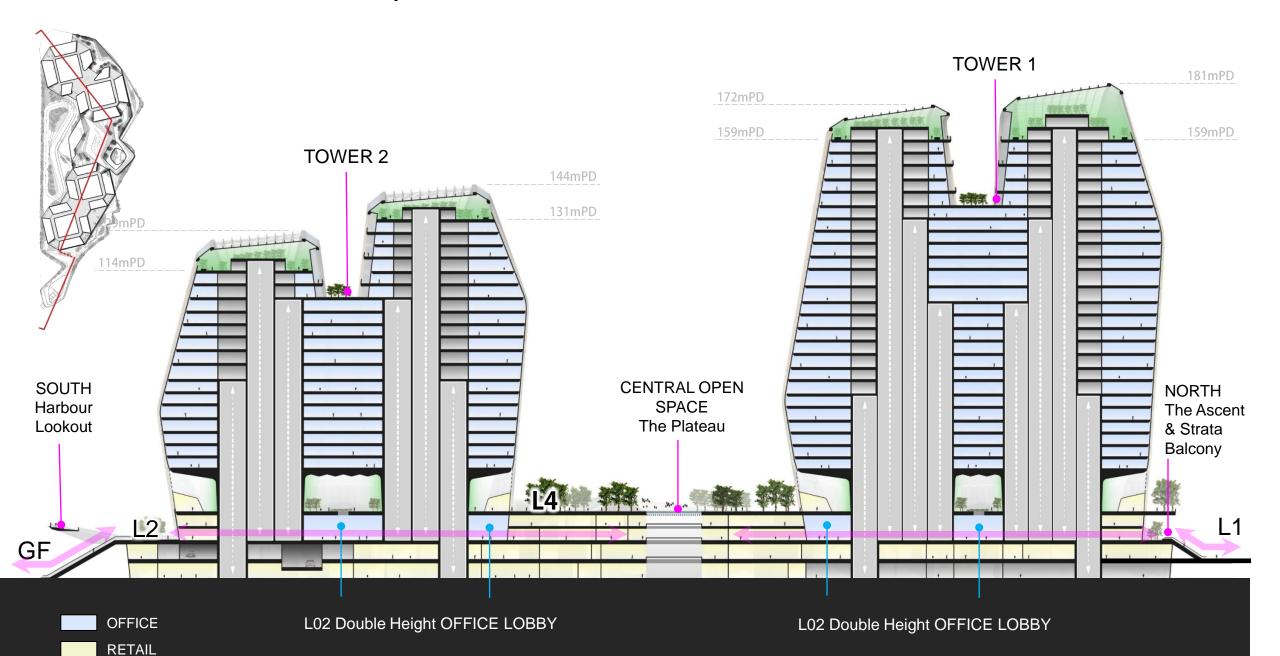
- Raise Office Programme
- Introduce Programme to energize Plaza
- Create sustainable microclimate below towers

PLAZA +

- Extend Public Realm to Perimeter
- Diversify Type & Scale of Public Space
- Expand Green Coverage without Compromising Usability



WEST KOWLOON PARKWAY | ACCESS & APPROACH



WEST KOWLOON PARKWAY | ICONIC FEATURES AND DESTINATION







The Ascent & Strata Balcony





















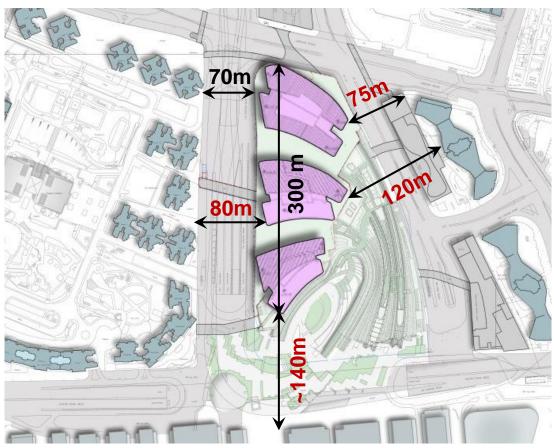


100,000平方尺開放空間

優化景觀綠化

Enhanced Open Space & Greenery

COMPARISON WITH THE APPROVED SCHEME | SET BACK FROM NEIGHBOURS



Approved MLP

- Long total projected facade length, obstructs view from Kowloon Station developments;
- Towers abutting Lin Cheung Road with minor setback;
- Width of the gaps between towers in the range of 21- 40m;
- Curvilinear gaps lessen view and air permeability



PROPOSED SCHEME

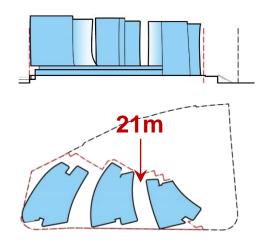
- 13% reduction in total projected facade length
- Towers setback from Lin Cheung Road is substantially increased
- Improved distance between the new towers and all existing surrounding developments;
- Single gap between towers not less than 50m

SITE PLANNING AND BUILDING ARRANGEMENT IMPROVED VISUAL IMPACT & PERMEABILITY



Existing height constraintsLimiting Site Permeability

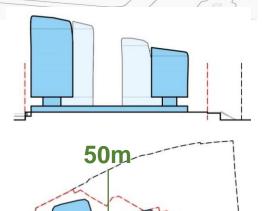
- Wall Effect at Lin Cheung Road
- Overlooking between towers & Shading Casting on Podium Roof





Benefits of Setbacks and Larger Open Space

- Improved View access and permeability across site
- Better Air Movement & Daylight penetration
- Encourage More Outdoor Circulation & Activities



ENHANCED OPEN SPACE & GREENERY



Proposed Scheme Open Space:

• Total Open Space: ~100,000ft²

→ More than quadruple of Approved Scheme (24,000ft²)

Proposed Scheme Green Coverage

10% more than Approved Scheme







L04 ICONIC OPEN SPACE | COMMUNITY SQUARE



A Landmark Urban Destination . . .

- Heart of the site and focal point in the greater surroundings
- Freely accessible to everyone, attracting nearby residents and visitors from further afield
- Outdoor leisure, events and adjacent retail ensure the plaza has a vibrant life of its own
- 3,500m² amenity benefitting office worker well-being

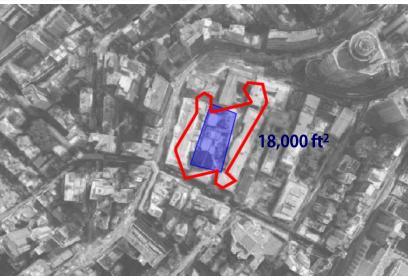












TIMES SQUARE, CAUSEWAY BAY Size: 9,500 ft²

Retail edge Seating Performances Installations

STATUE SQUARE, CENTRAL Size: 35,500 ft²

Seating
Planting
Fountain pool
Statues and installations

TAI KWUN CENTRE, CENTRAL

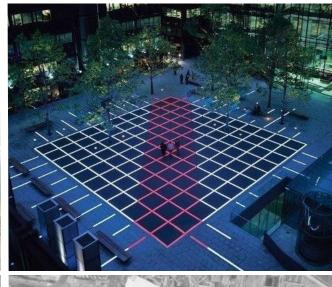
Size: 18,000 ft²

Retail with F&B edge Seating Planting

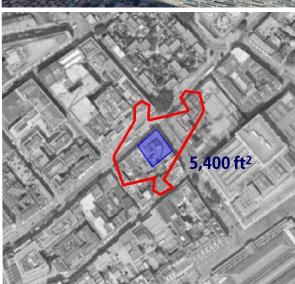


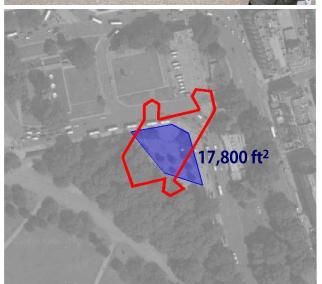














New York, USA ROCKEFELLER PLAZA Size: 11,500 ft²

Retail with F&B edge Events Temporary ice rink Seating & Planting Fountain pools

London, England Covent Garden Size: 5,400 ft²

Retail with F&B edge Market place Event Space

London, England Hyde Park Speakers' Corner Size: 17,800 ft²

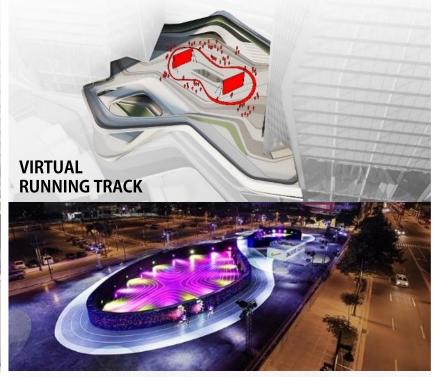
Open Landscape Performance venue Outdoor Seating Area

London, England FINSBURY AVENUE SQ Size: 28,000 ft²

Seating & Planting Events Retail with F&B edge Lighting Installation















L4 PREMIUM CIVIC SPACE | PUBLIC EVENT SPACE CAPACITY STUDIES

Area of Open Space:

Approx. 38,000ft²

Area of Civic Space: ~11,500ft²

Capacity: \sim 3,800 people

(based on 1 people per 3ft²)



Scenario A: Normal Day
Usable Space: 1 people /35 ft²
Capacity: 350 people



Scenario B: Musical Performance
Usable Space: 1 people / 7 ft²
Capacity: 1,600 people



Scenario C: Market & Fair
Usable Space: 2-4 people / 30 ft²
Capacity: 2,500 – 5,000 people



Scenario D: Screening Event Usable Space: 1 people / 4 ft² Capacity: 2,660 people



A - NORMAL DAY



C – MARKET & FAIR



B - PERFORMANCE / EXHIBITION EVENT



D - SCREENING EVENT





疫情終過去未來新西九 Post Covid-19 Future Kowloon

POST COVID-19: IMPACT ON OFFICE DESIGN HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

Sky Garden & Double Height Terrace

1. Easily Accessible Outbreak Area

Facilitate social distancing

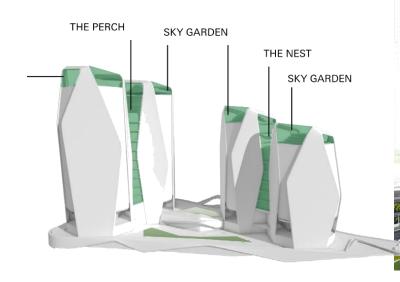
 Reduce pathogen dissemination in the dense community





2. Biophilic Terrace

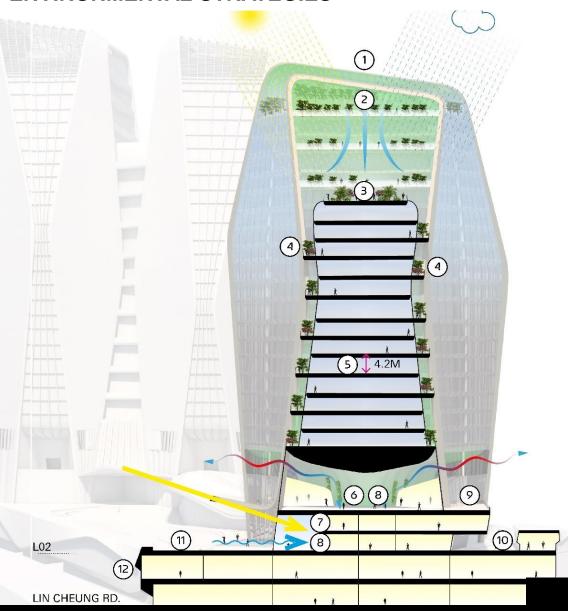
- Immersive greenery with trees
- Cultivate mind relaxation
- Air pollutants disposition



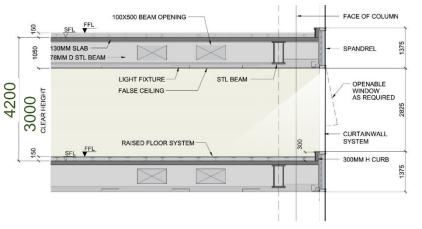




POST COVID-19: TOWERS | GREEN FEATURES & ENVIRONMENTAL STRATEGIES



- 1. Sky Garden provide rainwater harvesting and greenery irrigation
- 2. Tower Terraces provide office green space
- 3. Bridge gardens provide landscaped shared space between towers
- 4. Double height terraces provide outdoor space to every office floor
- 5. Increase Floor to Floor height (4.2m) & Clear Headroom (3m)



- Adjustable louvres provide natural ventilation and create controlled micro climate
- 7. Direct access from office tower to open space
- 8. Increase headroom of Tower Lobby for enhancement of natural light and ventilation
- 9. L04 Natural Ventilated Open Space
- 10. L02 Landscape Parkway
- 11. Landscaped Driveway & Dropoff
- 12. Provision of Vertical Green on façade facing Lin Cheung Road

POST COVID-19: TOWERS | GREEN FEATURES & ENVIRONMENTAL STRATEGIES INCREASE FLOOR TO FLOOR HEIGHT AND CLEAR HEADROOM

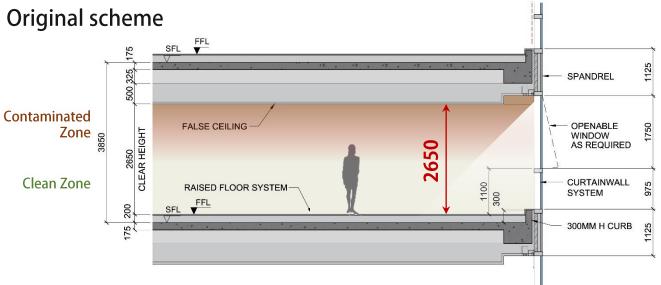
1. Cleaner Air at Breathing Zone

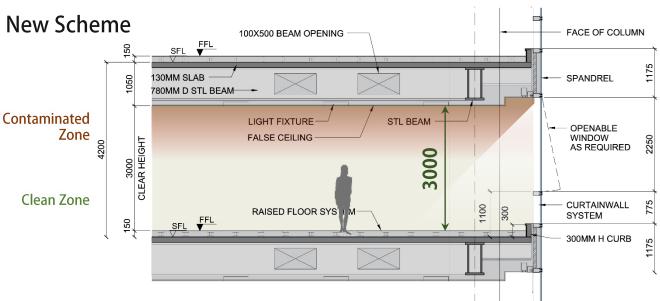
- Control pathogen dispersion zone away from occupants
- Reduce risk of pathogen dissemination

2. Maximize the Daylight Zone

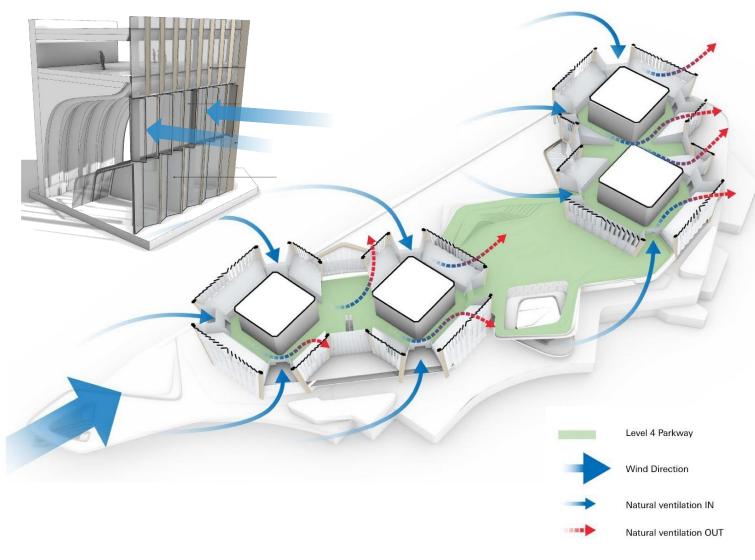
- Enhance daylight uniformity
- Support circadian rhythm

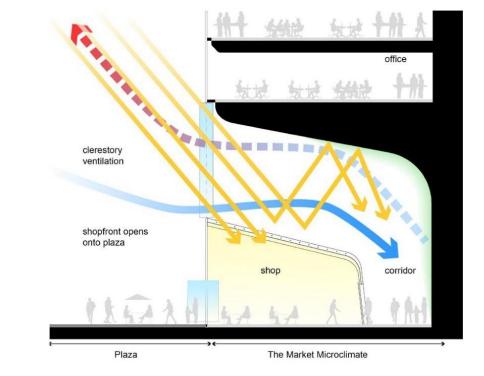






POST COVID-19: RETAIL | GREEN FEATURES & ENVIRONMENTAL STRATEGIES THE MARKET MICRO-CLIMATE WITH WIND PENETRATION







POST COVID-19: RETAIL | GREEN FEATURES & ENVIRONMENTAL STRATEGIES THE MARKET MICRO-CLIMATE WITH WIND PENETRATION

1. Large Openings at High-level

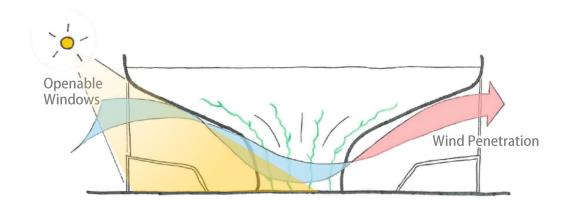
- Sufficient air change rate (ACH) to remove pathogen
- Introduce gentle breeze towards larger coverage
- Minimize disturbance to retail operation

2. Maximize the Daylight Zone

- Maximize solar ultraviolet for sanitization
- Provision for 100% daylight penetration
- Realize circadian rhythm

3. Indoor Biophilia

- Open up the view to connect occupants with natural environment
- Vertically-extended greenery to cultivate mind relaxation
- Enhance indoor air quality through air pollutants disposition and carbon dioxide removal

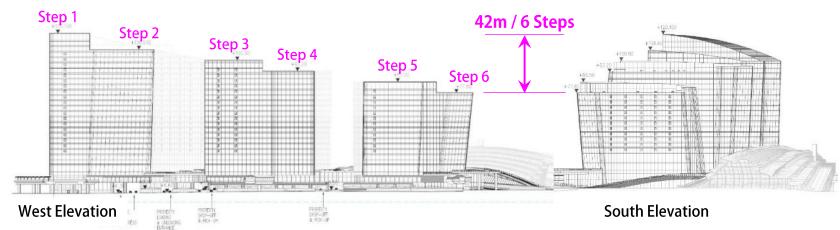


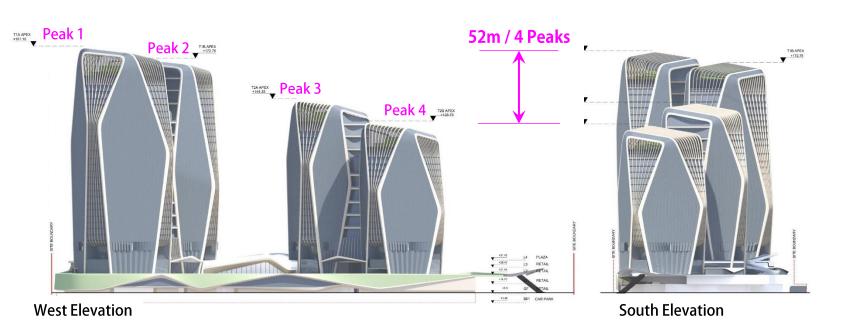




TOWER TOP ARRANGEMENT

Stepped Cascade descending to the Harbour







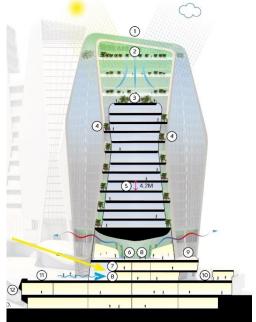






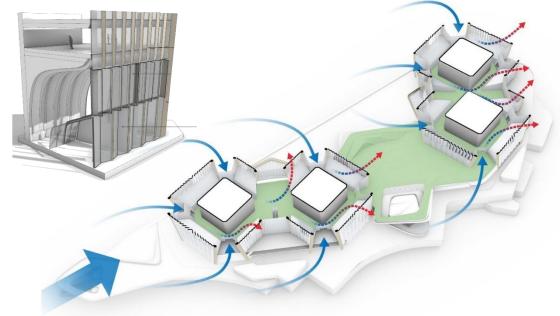
Principle 3: Sustainable Development

The revised design increases the opportunities for including more sustainable design features. In addition to increased greening opportunities, the building will be designed to meet the highest levels of environmental design standards.



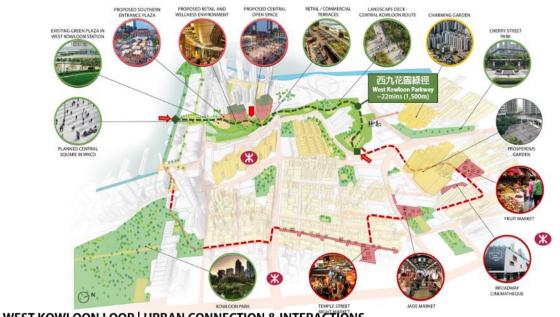






Principle 5: Proactive Harbour Enhancement

The development will be a symbol of urban design excellence and will enhance Hong Kong's brand identity to the international community. The open space provision of the proposed scheme will be significantly increased and improved with quality design.



WEST KOWLOON LOOP | URBAN CONNECTION & INTERACTIONS



Principle 7: Accessible Harbour

A major role of the site is to improve the pedestrian accessibility of the hinterland to the harbour-front, by providing a high quality access through the site as part of the vision of the WKP. The design creates visual and physical access to the harbour.







Principle 8: Public Enjoyment

The Proposed Scheme will enhance the accessibility to the harbour, with high quality, easy to use and highly identifiable landscaped pedestrian linkages. The design will encourage public enjoyment of the area.







