

Harbourfront Commission

For discussion
on 23 March 2015

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Progress Report from Task Force on Kai Tak Harbourfront Development

REPORTING PERIOD

This progress report covers the period from November 2014 to March 2015.

MEETING(S) HELD AND THE MAJOR OUTCOME, FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Sixteenth Meeting on 19 December 2014

2. The Task Force discussed the following item –

(a) Signature Project Scheme (SPS) in Kwun Tong: Construction of Music Fountains at Kwun Tong Promenade

- The Kwun Tong District Council (KTDC) and Architectural Services Department (ArchSD) briefed Members on one of their two proposed SPS projects of constructing music fountains with integrated dynamic lighting and special effects at Kwun Tong Promenade.
- The Task Force expressed in principle support for KTDC's proposal, and agreed that it would create a more vibrant, sustainable and diverse Kwun Tong waterfront. In terms of the interface with the recently completed Kwun Tong Promenade Stage 2, KTDC and ArchSD informed Members that during the construction period, part of the boardwalk would be closed, but subject to the final development programme, they believed the public would have one year to enjoy the Kwun Tong Promenade Stage 2 before its temporary and partial closure for construction works.
- Members enquired about the management and operational details of the proposal, including the control on water quality of the fountains, opening hours, safety measures for children, and the provision of ancillary facilities. Suggestions were also made from an architectural and urban design perspective for KTDC's reference.

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- Kwun Tong District Officer at the meeting would convey Members' comments to KTDC for consideration. He noted the need to minimise the impact on the completed Promenade, and to consider providing ancillary facilities with modern design with the vision to enhancing the character of the site and transforming Kwun Tong Promenade as a new landmark.

Secretariat

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