T&TC Paper No. 28/2014 (for discussion on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2014)

### Central and Western District Council Traffic and Transport Committee

## "Universal Accessibility" Programme Provision of Lift Facilities to Three Footbridges in Central and Western District

### 1. Purpose

1.1 This paper presents the latest status of public consultation for the provision of lift facilities to footbridge across Possession Street near Lower Lascar Row (Structure No.: HF46) and footbridge along Cochrane Street near Tun Wo Lane (Structure No.: HF135) in the Central and Western District to the members of the Traffic and Transport Committee (T&TC) of the Central and Western District Council, and seeks support for the preliminary design of Footbridge No. HF46 from T&TC members.

### 2. Background

- 2.1 Highways Department (HyD) and Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) reported to the T&TC at the meeting dated 13<sup>th</sup> February 2014 on the feasibility study and preliminary design of Footbridge Nos. HF142, HF46 and footbridge across Connaught Road West near Sun Yat Sen Memorial Park (Structure No.: HF135). T&TC acknowledged the paper and agreed in principle to the provision of lift facility at Footbridge No. HF135.
- 2.2 According to the request from T&TC members at the meeting dated 13<sup>th</sup> February 2014, CEDD carried out a review of the feasibility study and preliminary design of Footbridge No. HF46, and study of the possibility to install lift facility in the west side of Possession Street.
- 2.3 CEDD presented the two schemes and evaluation results of Footbridge No. HF46 to the local District Council (DC) member. The local DC member had no objection to carrying out public consultation for the originally recommended scheme. CEDD issued a supplementary paper to T&TC regarding the evaluation results in April 2014.

- 2.4 CEDD conducted the public consultation for the preliminary design of provision of lift facilities to Footbridge Nos. HF46 and HF135 in May 2014.
- 2.5 Besides, HyD is undergoing the consultation of Footbridge No. HF142.
- 2.6 The general layout plan (Drawing No.CE58/DC/CV/HF46/1112) and the conceptual location (Drawing No. CE53/DC/CV/HF46/1116) of Footbridge No. HF46 are enclosed in Appendix 1.
- 2.7 The general layout plan (Drawing No.CE58/DC/CV/HF135/1112) and the conceptual location (Drawing No. CE53/DC/CV/HF135/1116) of Footbridge No. HF135 are enclosed in Appendix 2.

### 3. Public Consultation

- 3.1 CEDD issued the project brief to nearby commercial tenants, housing estates and local rehabilitation organizations to collect comments in May 2014.
- 3.2 Besides, we also displayed banners on Footbridges Nos. HF46 and HF135 to inform the public about the preliminary schemes of lift facilities and collect comments.
- 3.3 During the public consultation period, for Footbridge No. HF46 project, we received support from Rehabilitation Alliance Hong Kong and Caritas Elderly Centre Central District, and disagreement from a citizen, Ms. Tong, to provide lift facility.
- 3.4 During the public consultation period, for Footbridge No. HF135, we received objections from residents of Cheung Fai Building and Caritas Elderly Centre Central District, and disagreement from Rehabilitation Alliance Hong Kong to demolish the staircase in order to provide lift facility.
- 3.5 Regarding Footbridge No. HF46, we replied to Ms. Tong via email to address her comments.
- 3.6 Regarding Footbridge No.HF135, we arranged meetings with residents of Cheung Fai Building and Caritas Elderly Centre Central District to further explain the preliminary design of Footbridge No. HF135 and responded to their comments. We also replied to Rehabilitation Alliance Hong Kong via email to address their comments.

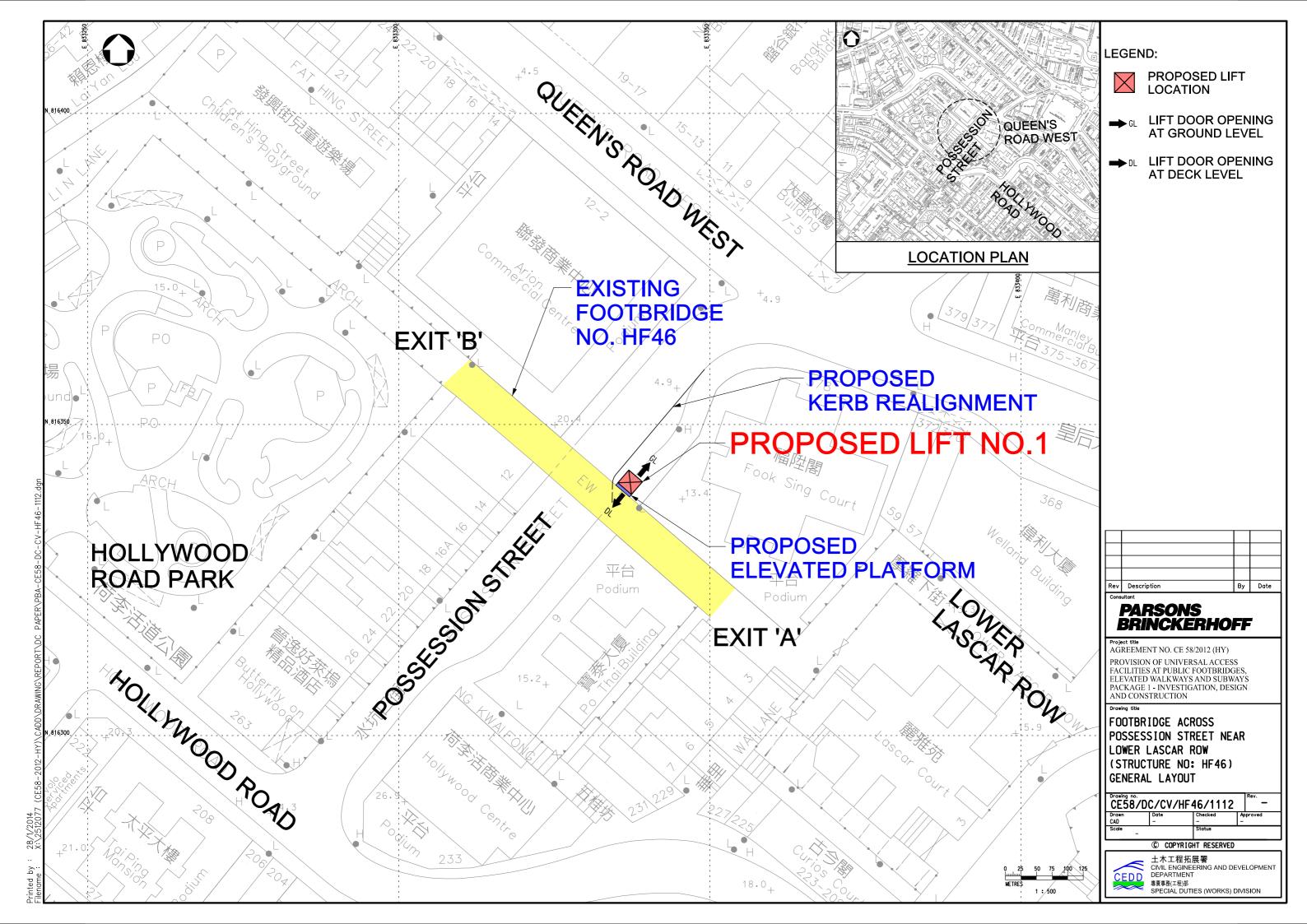
3.7 Due to kerb modification at Footbridge No. HF46, major structural changes to Footbridge No. HF135, and objections from the public on the provision of lifts, we will arrange gazette for Footbridge Nos. HF46 and HF135 in accordance with the Roads (Works, Use and Compensation) Ordinance.

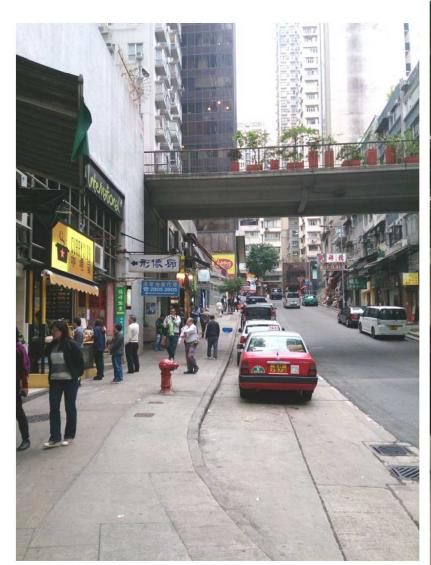
### 4. Acknowledgement

4.1 T&TC members are requested to acknowledge the paper and support the preliminary design for the provision of lift facility to Footbridge No. HF46.

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# Appendix 1

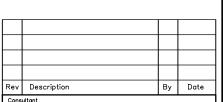




EXIT 'A'



**CONCEPTUAL LOCATION FOR PROPOSED LIFT NO.1** 



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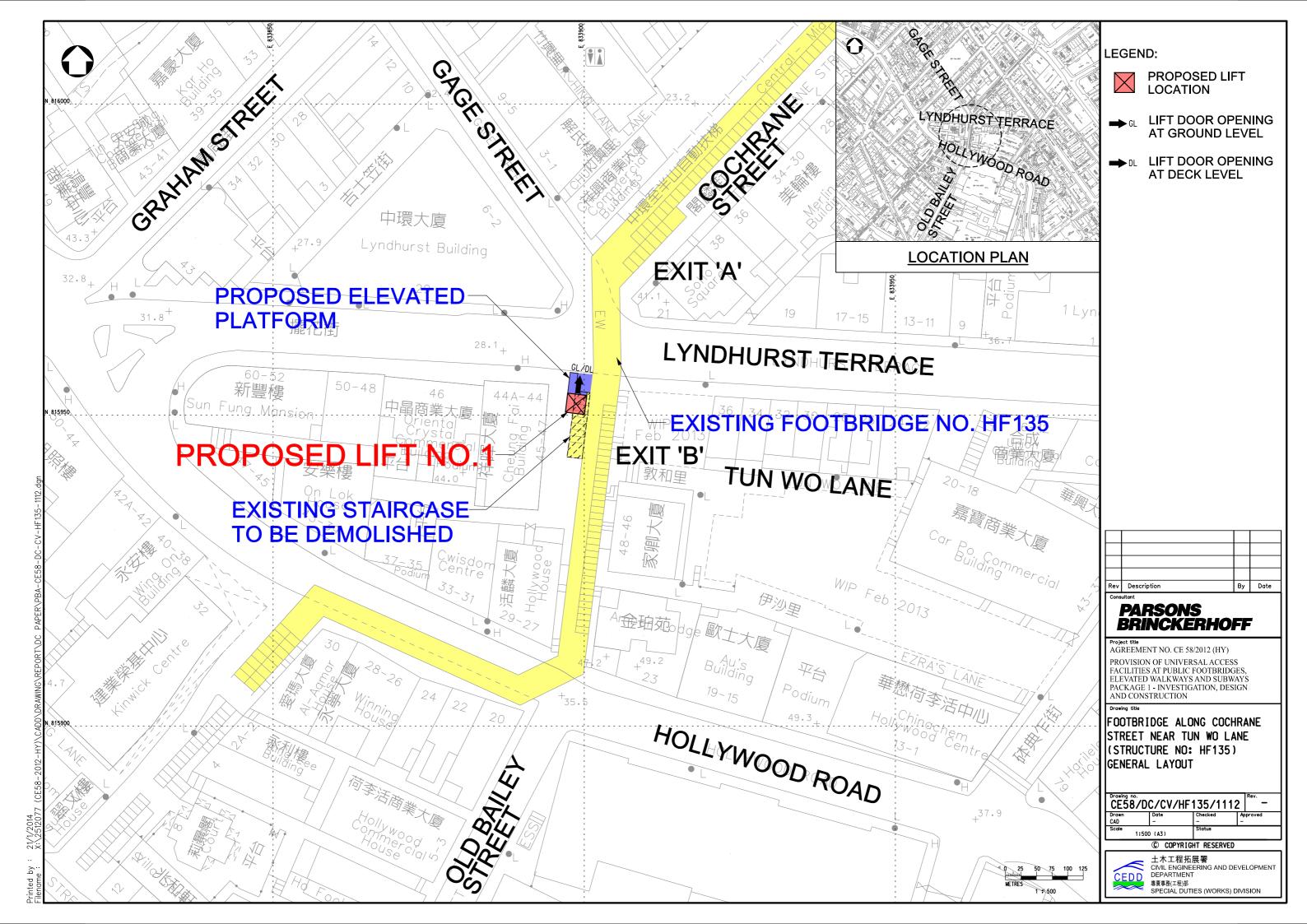
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# Appendix 2

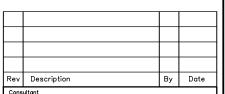




EXIT 'B'



**CONCEPTUAL LOCATION** FOR PROPOSED LIFT NO.1



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FOOTBRIDGE ALONG COCHRANE STREET NEAR TUN WO LANE (STRUCTURE NO: HF135) CONCEPTUAL LOCATION FOR EXIT B

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