Islands District Council <u>Paper IDC 84/2017</u>

Development Plan of North Lantau Hospital Phase II

Purpose

This paper seeks Members' comment on the proposed development plan of North Lantau Hospital (NLTH), Phase II.

Background

2. To cope with the development and population growth of North Lantau, the Government decided to develop a new hospital in North Lantau in 2009. The North Lantau Hospital Project is carried out in two phases. The Hospital Authority (HA) obtained the approval of the Finance Committee of Legislative Council in 2010 to construct phase one of NLTH. Phase one of NLTH is a 180-bed hospital providing a wide range of healthcare services, covering accident and emergency, primary and specialist outpatient, day centres, community, acute and extended in-patient care services. The construction project was completed in December 2012. To meet the long-term demand for hospital services on Lantau Island, the Government has reserved an adjacent site for future provision of hospital facility under phase two development.

3. With the overall population of Hong Kong projected by the Census and Statistics Department to increase by 6% and 10%, and the elderly population aged 65 and over by 55% and 95%, from 2017 to 2027 and 2037 respectively, the provision of supporting services and facilities are mission-critical for HA to support the planned expansion of its clinical services to meet the heavy demand for public healthcare services as a result of the projected population growth and demographic changes.

Proposed Development Plan of NLTH, Phase II

4. We plan to carry out the phase two development of NLTH project in two stages. Stage 1 of the phase two development project will involve the construction of a HA Supporting Services Centre (SSC), which will support the laundry, catering, personal protective equipment (PPE) storage, and data centre services for the operation of NLTH and other public hospitals. The SSC will accommodate a laundry of annual production capacity of around 27,500,000 kg; a central food production unit with annual production capacity of around 12,500,000 patient meals using cold-plating technology; central emergency stores for critical PPE and key linen items; and an information technology corporate data centre.

5. Stage 2 of the phase two development project will be planned for capacity growth by using the residual portion of the reserved site. A site location plan showing the phase two development of NLTH project is at the **Enclosure**.

Way Forward

6. Subject to Members' comments, we aim to start the planning for stage 1 works of the phase two development of NLTH project soonest possible. Throughout the development process, we will be maintaining close liaison with major stakeholders, community leaders and the Island District Council on the latest progress of the project.

Advice Sought

7. Members are invited to support the proposed phase two development of NLTH project.

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