

**Minutes of the 6th Meeting of the
District Facilities Management Committee of the
Yau Tsim Mong District Council (2012-2015)**

Date: 15 November 2012 (Thursday)
Time: 2:30 p.m.
Venue: Yau Tsim Mong District Council Conference Room
4/F., Mong Kok Government Offices
30 Luen Wan Street
Mong Kok, Kowloon

Present:

Chairman

Mr CHAN Siu-tong, MH

Vice-chairman

Ms WONG Shu-ming

District Council Members

Mr CHUNG Kong-mo, JP

Mr CHAN Wai-keung

Mr CHOI Siu-fung, Benjamin

Mr CHONG Wing-charn, Francis

Mr CHOW Chun-fai, BBS, JP

Mr HAU Wing-cheong, BBS, MH

Mr HUI Tak-leung

Mr HUNG Chiu-wah, Derek

Mr IP Ngo-tung, Chris

Ms KO Po-ling, BBS, MH, JP

Ms KWAN Sau-ling

Mr LAU Pak-kei

Mr LEUNG Wai-kuen, Edward, JP

Mr WONG Chung, John

Mr WONG Kin-san

Mr WONG Man-sing, Barry, MH

Mr YEUNG Tsz-hei, Benny

Representatives of the Government

Ms HO Siu-ping, Betty, JP	District Officer (Yau Tsim Mong)	Home Affairs Department
Miss LIU Suk-wa, Connie	Senior Executive Officer (District Management), Yau Tsim Mong District Office	Home Affairs Department
Miss WONG Man-po, Poe	Executive Officer (District Management)1 (Atg.), Yau Tsim Mong District Office	Home Affairs Department
Ms CHING Ka-wai, Elsa	Architect (Works)4	Home Affairs Department
Mr YAU Chun-fai	Senior Inspector of Works (Kowloon)	Home Affairs Department
Mr CHEUNG Kwok-wai, Alex	Senior Manager (Kowloon West/Cultural Services)	Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Mr HO Wing-kei, Raymond	Manager (Kowloon West) Marketing, Programme & District Activities	Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Mr WONG Tat-ming, Richard	Chief Leisure Manager (Hong Kong West)	Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Mrs CHU LEE Mei-foon, Karen	Senior Librarian (Yau Tsim Mong)	Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Mr SO Ting-lut, Vincent	District Leisure Manager (Yau Tsim	Leisure and Cultural Services

Ms YEUNG Shiu-man, Brenda	Mong) Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) Yau Tsim Mong	Department Leisure and Cultural Services Department
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In Attendance:

Mr KWOK Tak-tai, John	Head of Greening and Landscape Office	Development Bureau
Mr NG Siu-man, Simon	Assistant Secretary (Tree Management) 1	Development Bureau
Mr CHEUNG Fu-yin	Inspector of Works (Kowloon)1	Home Affairs Department
Ms TANG Suet-fan	Architect Assistant	Tom Ip & Partners, Architects, Engineers & Development Consultants Limited
Ms SHEA Ping, Carol	Assistant Leisure Manager II (District Support) Yau Tsim Mong	Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Ms Maria CHEUNG	General Manager, Corporate Communication	New World Development Company Limited
Mr Jeff TUNG	Project Director	NW Project Management Limited
Mr James CORNER	Principal	James Corner Field Operation
Mr Forth BAGLEY	Senior Associate Principal	Kohn Pedersen Fox Associates
Miss LI Lai-fan, Margrit	Assistant Director (Leisure Services)	Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Mrs WONG CHAN Wai-yin, Winnie	Leisure Manager (Land-based Venues)	Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Ms SIU Yuk-yung, Donna	Librarian (Yau Ma Tei Public Library)	Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Secretary

Ms CHAN Yeh-pak, Mona	Executive Officer (District Council)4, Yau Tsim Mong District Office	Home Affairs Department
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Opening Remarks

The Chairman welcomed Members and representatives from government departments to the District Facilities Management Committee (“DFMC”) meeting. The Chairman asked the participants to speak as concise as possible because there were many discussion papers. He suggested that Members be given a maximum of two minutes when they spoke for the first time and no more than one minute for the second time. Participants had no objection to the proposal.

Item 1: Confirmation of Minutes of Last Meeting

2. The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed without amendment.
3. Ms Brenda YEUNG said that as the provision of a pet garden and a radio-controlled model car race track under Ferry Street Flyover had been endorsed by the DFMC, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (“LCSD”) had further consulted departments on the design of the relevant works. The results were as follows:

- (a) The Transport Department (“TD”) requested that pedestrian crossing facilities at the relevant locations be provided by the LCSD. In its reply to the TD, the LCSD pointed out that since the proposed pedestrian crossing facilities were no different from the general pedestrian crossing facilities in terms of design and use, it was hoped that the TD would reconsider constructing such facilities;
- (b) The Architectural Services Department (“Arch SD”) pointed out that cables and utility pipelines for telephone and gas, etc. had been laid under the site of the works, and there were no sewage disposal facilities at the site;
- (c) The Planning Department said that if only a radio-controlled model car race track would be constructed at the site, the original land use of the site as a road would be changed and approval of the Town Planning Board (“TPB”) would be required. However, if the radio-controlled model car race track was to be designed as one of the park facilities in the works plan, the plan could be submitted to the District Planning Officer concerned for assessment;
- (d) The Environmental Protection Department (“EPD”) recommended that the LCSD could collect local views on whether the provision of a radio-controlled model car race track at the site would create a noise nuisance.

4. Ms Brenda YEUNG added that the cost of constructing a pet garden and a radio-controlled model car race track at the site concerned was preliminarily estimated at \$13.4 million, whereas \$12.8 million would be required if only a pet garden was to be constructed.

5. The Chairman asked whether it was necessary for the DFMC to decide on the works plan it would support before the LCSD was to commence local consultations. In addition, he wanted to know if the EPD did not support the works due to noise problem, or if the TPB refused to grant approval to change the original land use of the site, the amount of expenditure already spent in the early stage of the works.

(Mr Benny YEUNG joined the meeting at 2:44 p.m.)

6. Mr CHUNG Kong-mo said that he and Mr Benny YEUNG proposed the provision of a pet garden under Ferry Street flyover with a view to improving the environmental health issue caused by pets urinating and defecating everywhere in nearby areas. However, as the valuation of the works was relatively high, he hoped that there could be room for reduction. He added that the TD had the responsibility to construct pedestrian crossing facilities at the site and bear the cost of the works. Taking the pet garden at Ferry Point as an example, as long as staff were arranged to clean up the pet excreta collection bins regularly, there was no need to provide a sewerage system. In addition, it would be desirable to place movable flower pots/planters in the pet garden so as to avoid damage to underground pipelines and facilities due to excavation. He agreed that should there be a need, further local consultation could be conducted on the provision of the radio-controlled model car race track. But the race track would not cause too much noise nuisance to nearby residents as the sound of electric remote-controlled model cars was generally lower than that of the petrol-driven ones. In addition, the site of the works was so close to the motorway that the noise of traffic would drown out the sound of the remote-controlled model cars.

7. Ms Brenda YEUNG responded as follows:

- (a) The LCSD would try actively to engage the TD in the construction of the pedestrian crossing;
- (b) Whether sewage disposal facilities could be replaced by pet excreta collection bins depended on whether the collection bins would match with the formal design of the works and sewage disposal requirements;
- (c) The LCSD noted the recommendation of placing flower pots/planters under Ferry Street flyover as raised by a Member and had adopted a simple layout for the site. The Department would take into consideration the recommendation flexibly during their preparation of the detailed design of the works.

(Mr LAU Pak-kei joined the meeting at 2:49 p.m.)

(Mr WONG Kin-san joined the meeting at 2:50 p.m.)

8. The Chairman enquired whether there was a sewerage system in the pet garden at Ferry Point; and if the pet garden under Ferry Street flyover was to model on the pet garden at Ferry Point to provide temporary toilets only with no sewerage system, whether the cost of the entire project could be lowered.

9. Mr Benny YEUNG asked whether the effluent of the pet garden under the flyover could be discharged through storm water drains.

(Mr Benjamin CHOI joined the meeting at 2:53 p.m.)

10. Ms Brenda YEUNG responded that there was no sewerage system in the pet garden at Ferry Point.

11. The Chairman said that the cost of the proposed pet garden was relatively high due to the need to connect sewers.

12. Mr CHUNG Kong-mo and the Chairman asked how the LCSD would discharge the water accumulated in the parks after watering of plants or during rainy days. In addition, the Chairman enquired whether the pet garden under the flyover could operate normally if sewage disposal facilities were not provided.

13. Mr Vincent SO said that as there was currently no sewerage network in the vicinity of the site identified for the pet garden, the sewage in the sewage outfall pipelines of the pet garden to be constructed could not be discharged. However, as there was a sewerage system near the pet garden at Ferry Point, if it was required in the design, the sewers of the garden could discharge through the sewerage system.

14. Mr Benny YEUNG and the Chairman asked whether the new pet garden could operate normally if no sewerage system would be provided and the sewage was to be treated by other methods.

15. The Chairman said that he believed that the cost of the works could be reduced if only pet latrines and no toilets for visitors were to be provided. As for the model car race track, since the flyover was a motorway in itself, the noise of traffic would drown out the sound created by the use of the race track. Therefore, the race track would not be a great

noise nuisance.

16. Mr Vincent SO said that with regard to the proposed facilities, the addition of a sewerage system to the pet garden under the flyover was proposed by an architect of the Works Section of the Home Affairs Department (“HAD”). The LCSD would discuss with the architect the feasibility of not providing a sewerage system in the garden.

17. The Chairman concluded that Members had requested the LCSD to report at the next meeting the progress of the proposed works under the flyover and the estimated cost for the whole works project if no underground sewerage system would be provided in the pet garden. He also suggested that the LCSD should arrange to discuss the details of the works with the Members concerned before the meeting, so as to enhance the efficiency of discussion during the formal meeting.

Item 2: Work of Greening, Landscape and Tree Management Section of Development Bureau

18. The Chairman welcomed Mr John KWOK, Head of Greening and Landscape Office (“GLO”) and Mr Simon NG, Assistant Secretary (Tree Management) 1 of the Development Bureau (“DEVB”).

19. Mr John KWOK and Mr Simon NG briefed Members on the work of the GLO and the Tree Management Office (“TMO”) by PowerPoint presentation (Annex 1).

20. Ms KWAN Sau-ling said that she had learnt from a television programme that an executive officer of a certain green group and an expert had criticised the work of the Expert Panel on Tree Management (“Expert Panel”) of the TMO as being more in name than in reality. Taking the tree collapse incident in Park Lane Boulevard (“Park Lane”) as an example, the TMO claimed that it had conducted an on-site inspection of the tree concerned a few days before the incident and confirmed that the tree was secure and stable. But then the tree collapse accident happened, in which passers-by were injured. She also quoted Member(s) of the Expert Panel as saying in a television interview that the Expert Panel had not conducted any study nor taken any follow-up action upon receipt of complaints or referrals from 1823. She enquired how long after the receipt of a complaint the TMO would take follow-up action, and hoped that the Administration would illustrate with concrete examples.

21. Mr Derek HUNG asked whether the TMO would learn from the experience of the tree collapse incident in Park Lane to make use of inspection equipment and methods better than the ones currently in use and improve the growing environment of existing pavement trees in the urban areas, so as to prevent tree roots from exposing out of the soil due to lack of space for growth. He also wanted to know how long the soccer pitch at Kowloon Park would continue to be closed for the TMO’s conservation of an old tree in there. He urged the TMO to take into account the strong public demand for sports venues while inputting resources and manpower for the conservation of old trees.

22. Mr HUI Tak-leung recalled that many years ago, he submitted an application to the Lands Department for hanging banners on the railing in Argyle Street (outside Mong Kok Market). But the Department refused his application on the ground that greening works would be carried out by relevant departments in the central median of the road. Yet, there was still no sign of commencement of the works in the site. He enquired how he could learn about the details of the Greening Master Plan initiative of Yau Tsim Mong District (“YTM

District”) and whether the GLO would seek the advice of the District Council (“DC”) before implementation of the initiative. In addition, he recommended that the TMO should enhance the transparency of its work by introducing its manpower and operation to the public through different channels (such as websites). The TMO should also notify DC Members or issue notification on the Internet as soon as possible before removing any old trees in the district.

(Mr Francis CHONG joined the meeting at 3:18 p.m.)

23. The Chairman enquired about the locations within the district at which greening works would be carried out.

24. Mr John KWOK responded as follows:

- (a) The aerial roots of pavement trees were exposed because such trees were planted decades ago. With the continuous development of the community, there was a need to widen the roads to cope with the rapid increase of man flow and vehicular flow. The growing environment of the trees had thus become more congested. Ever since their establishment, the GLO and the TMO had already advocated that departments should plant trees in accordance with the principle of “right tree for the right place”.

- (b) The GLO would approach the Administration to understand the reason for postponing the greening project at the central median of Argyle Street for so long.

(PMN: The Civil Engineering and Development Department (“CEDD”) replied Mr HUI Tak-leung on 29 November 2012 after receiving the GLO’s referral.)

- (c) This year, the GLO had issued two Works Technical Circulars applicable to all government works. The Circulars stipulated that green space should be set aside in the central medians and hard shoulders of new roads. Besides, the greening coverage for new government buildings with a site area of not less than 1 000 square metres should be at least 20%, and at least 30% for those with a site area of 2 hectares or above.
- (d) According to the established policy, departments would generally seek the DC’s advice before carrying out any greening works in the district.

25. The Chairman requested the TMO to respond to what Mr Derek HUNG and Mr HUI Tak-leung had said.

(Mr John WONG left the meeting at 3:25 p.m.)

26. Mr Simon NG responded as follows:

- (a) As an old tree in the soccer pitch at Kowloon Park had been infected with Brown Root Rot Disease, the TMO conducted an on-site inspection with the Expert Panel in October to assess whether the tree was worthy of conservation or should be removed directly. At that time, the experts had reservations as to its removal. The TMO would convey after the meeting Member’s views on whether conservation of the tree should be continued

to the Expert Panel for its reference.

- (b) Before reaching a decision to remove any Old and Valuable Tree (“OVT”), the TMO needed time to examine the target tree in detail in order to save it with its best endeavours. The TMO had all along required that the tree management departments should issue a press release before tree removal for public information. The TMO noted that Members requested the Department to notify them as soon as possible any decision on tree removal. The views would be conveyed to the Administration for follow-up.
- (c) The Expert Panel was comprised of tree management experts and scholars on a voluntary basis. After receiving complaints from tree management departments, the Panel would refer the cases to the relevant departments in a timely manner for follow-up. The TMO would conduct random tree inspections in various districts with the Expert Panel monthly and offer advice to the departments responsible for the management of the trees concerned, so as to facilitate the follow-up on the growth of the trees.

(Ms KO Po-ling joined the meeting at 3:28 p.m.)

27. Mr Barry WONG hoped that the Administration would in future provide the notes of PowerPoint presentation before meetings for Members’ early perusal. He added that when Typhoon Vicente passed Hong Kong, a large number of trees had fallen in various districts. He wanted to know the division of responsibilities among the TMO and other departments in the handling of fallen trees. He also enquired why, after the passage of the typhoon, the clearing of the fallen trees and branches on roadsides had been so slow, and why workers had chopped off the upper half of trees that had broken branches.

28. Mr HAU Wing-cheong suggested that the TMO should step up the inspections of OVTs. He added that as the soccer pitch at Kowloon Park had been closed for years due to the erection of a scaffolding to save the old tree in there, many citizens had complained bitterly about this. Since the tree was already on the verge of death, he enquired whether the Administration would remove the tree decisively to prevent the spreading of Brown Root Rot Disease to nearby trees, and reopen the soccer pitch for public use.

29. Mr Derek HUNG wanted to know the amount of expenditure spent on saving the old tree in the soccer pitch at Kowloon Park over the years, as well as the remaining life span of the tree as assessed by experts, so as to facilitate Members’ consideration of the ways to handle the tree.

30. Ms KWAN Sau-ling said that instead of saving old trees blindly, the decision on tree conservation should be made in accordance with the actual health conditions of the trees.

31. The Chairman said that earlier on, he and Mr Derek HUNG had joined an OVT guided tour organised by the DEVB. As told by the experts on that day, even though the Administration had treated repeatedly the old tree in the soccer pitch at Kowloon Park infected with Brown Root Rot Disease, 70% of the tree was dead and an originally healthy tree next to it had also withered after being infected. He recommended that the TMO consider removing the old tree decisively to reopen the soccer pitch that had been closed for years for public use.

32. Mr Simon NG responded that after the passage of the typhoon, there was

widespread falling of trees that time was required to clear up. He hoped that Members would understand and suggested that Members could call the 1823 Call Centre in future to make reports of fallen trees, so as to facilitate expeditious processing of the cases. Regarding the cost of conservation for the old tree in the soccer pitch at Kowloon Park, as it was difficult to estimate the cost of not using the soccer pitch, the figure concerned was not available.

33. Mr Vincent SO supplemented that the Arch SD erected the scaffolding to save the old tree a few years ago and the cost of the works was approximately \$900,000.

34. The Chairman expressed his understanding of the difficulty to work out the cost of closing the soccer pitch.

35. Mr John KWOK pointed out that as for the Tree & Landscape Map mentioned in the brief, apart from the electronic version which had been uploaded to the Greening website of the DEVB, it was also available for download for free from online application stores via smartphones, or borrowing from major public libraries. He added that if there was a need, Members could register with the Secretariat to get an environmentally friendly printed copy of the Tree & Landscape Map.

36. Members noted the contents of the paper. There being no further comments, the Chairman closed the discussion on this item.

Item 3: Progress Report on District Minor Works (“DMWs”) Led by Yau Tsim Mong District Office in 2012-2013 (as at 31.10.2012)
(YTMDPMC Paper No. 60/2012)

37. The Chairman introduced the representatives from government departments and the project consultant of the contract who would take part in the discussion:

- (i) Ms Elsa CHING, Architect (Works)4, Mr YAU Chun-fai, Senior Inspector of Works (Kowloon) and Mr CHEUNG Fu-yin, Inspector of Works (Kowloon)1 of the HAD;
- (ii) Miss Connie LIU, Senior Executive Officer (District Management) and Miss Poe WONG, Executive Officer (District Management)1 (Atg.) of the YTM District Office (“DO”); and
- (iii) Ms TANG Suet-fan, Architect Assistant of Tom Ip & Partners, Architects, Engineers & Development Consultants Limited.

(i) Works Projects Endorsed by the DFMC but Pending Completion

(i) Beautification Works at Minden Row

38. Ms Elsa CHING reported that the Works Section of the HAD had completed the beautification works at Minden Row and the cost was \$236,650.05.

39. Miss Poe WONG supplemented that the DO had commissioned the Highways Department (“HyD”) to lay floor tiles at the works site at a cost of \$32,300.98. Hence the

total cost of the works should be \$268,951.03. She suggested that as the beautification works at Minden Row had been completed, the item could be deleted.

40. The Chairman wanted to know whether the logo of the YTMDC would be added to the works site for identification.

41. Miss Connie LIU responded that it was okay to add the DC logo.

(PMN: As a mapboard with the DC logo had already been erected at the above location, the DO expressed at a post-meeting discussion with the Chairman and local DC Members that there was no need to add another DC logo for the time being.)

42. The Chairman concluded that Members agreed to delete this item.

(Mr CHOW Chun-fai left the meeting at 3:40 p.m.)

(ii) Landmark and Greening Project at Vacated Petrol Station Site (viz. former Caltex Petrol Station) at the J/O Nathan Road and Nullah Road

43. Ms Elsa CHING reported that the cost of the captioned project was \$3,248,950.39.

44. Miss Poe WONG supplemented that in addition to the cost mentioned above, the DO had also paid for the miscellaneous charges (e.g. charges for road excavation works) of the works at \$3,995.29. Hence the total cost of the works should be \$3,252,945.68. She suggested that as the works had been completed, the item could be deleted.

45. Mr HUI Tak-leung asked whether the DC logo would be added to the works site.

46. The Chairman said that the DC logo had already been displayed at the works site. The Chairman concluded that Members agreed to delete this completed item.

(iii) Refurbishment and Improvement Works at Henry G. Leong Yau Ma Tei Community Centre (“HGLYCC”) and Mong Kok Community Hall

47. Miss Poe WONG reported that the contractor had completed the resurfacing of the HGLYCC basketball court. The DO was arranging a completion inspection with the Arch SD.

(iv) Greening and Beautification Projects 2012-2013

48. Miss Poe WONG said that the winning entries of the “Prevention of Sexual Abuse Colouring and Poster Design Competition” (防止性侵犯填色及海報設計比賽) organised by the YTM District Fight Crime Committee (“DFCC”) and the local classic comic works of the Hong Kong Comics and Animation Federation were on display along the Mong Kok Road Footbridge walkway. The display would last tentatively until end of December this year. She asked for Members’ views on the next theme for the display panels and exhibition dates.

49. The Chairman recommended that the winning entries of the Anti-Drug Poster

Design Competition organised by the DFCC could be displayed next time. Mr Barry Wong suggested following last year's practice to allow the Working Group ("WG") on Care for the Community to display their activity highlights at the Mong Kok Road Footbridge. Details had yet to be confirmed.

50. The Chairman said that should Members have other suggestions on the theme for the display panels, they might contact him or the Vice-chairman after the meeting. The views collected would be referred to the DFMC to think about the priority and arrangements.

51. Mr Derek HUNG hoped that the Committees and WGs under the DC could put in more effort to introduce to the public their respective works in the district. He recommended the DFMC to notify the Chairmen of the Committees and WGs of the proposed arrangement of using display panels to introduce their works.

52. The Chairman responded that Members had already noted the relevant arrangement in the meeting earlier on. Up to present, apart from the Organising Committee on Cultural Arts Events which had proposed exhibition of the works of the "Hong Kong Avenue of Comic Stars", as well as the DFCC which had proposed exhibition of the winning entries of students in the district in the "Prevention of Sexual Abuse Colouring and Poster Design Competition", the WG on Care for the Community had also made a proposal for the theme for the display panels. He also called on the participants to participate in the "YTM Fight Crime And Anti-drug Abuse Family Fun Night" organised by the DFCC on 15 December 2012, and said that the highlights of this activity could be displayed at the Mong Kok Road Footbridge walkway for public viewing later.

53. Miss Poe WONG asked Members to consider an additional allocation of \$500,000 for the DO to carry out some new greening and beautification works projects in the district. These included beautifying the frames of the display panels on the Mong Kok Road Footbridge and refurbishing the seating near Cheong Fung Mansion, Tung Chau Street as endorsed by the DFMC earlier on, as well as refurbishing the seating near Park Avenue, Hoi Wang Road, providing seating under the Waterloo Road Flyover, and changing the posters on the footbridges of the district and on the external walls of the accident and emergency departments of Kwong Wah Hospital and Queen Elizabeth Hospital during festive days (Christmas, New Year and Lunar New Year) as proposed by the DO, etc.

54. The Chairman concluded that Members supported the proposal for additional allocation.

(v) Improvements to Wong Tai Street/Tai Tsun Street Sitting-out Area ("SOA") and Wong Tai Street/Ivy Street SOA

55. Miss Poe WONG reported that the contractor had completed the Wong Tai Street/Tai Tsun Street SOA improvement works, including re-laying floor tiles and placing flower pots and seating, etc. The SOA was officially opened for public use in late September. As for the Wong Tai Street/Ivy Street SOA improvement works, the contractor would replace the floor tiles and place flower pots and seating in there upon completion of the geotechnical investigation.

(vi) To Enhance Promotion of "Jade Street" at Canton Road

56. Miss Poe WONG said that the Works Section of the HAD had improved the design

drawing of the Jade Street Map Board (Annex 2) with reference to the opinions put forth by participants of the last meeting.

57. The Chairman invited Members to watch the presentation slides and comment on the design of the Jade Street Map Board in accordance with the design drawing in actual size shown at the meeting. He opined that the images of the arch of the Jade Market could be enlarged in the Map Board.

58. Ms KO Po-ling asked whether the words on the Map Board could be enlarged as much as possible.

59. The Chairman concluded that Members endorsed the design of the Map Board but the two images of the arch of the Jade Market on the Map Board should be enlarged as much as possible. He also thanked Members and the DO for their joint efforts to improve on the design of the Map Board.

(vii) To Enhance Greening of Hoi Fan Road and Hoi Fai Road in Tai Kok Tsui (“TKT”)

60. Miss Poe WONG reported that the contractor would install hanging planters once their production was completed.

(viii) Provision of a Green Belt under Ferry Street Flyover

61. Miss Poe WONG said that the contractor would start to produce planters by year-end.

(ix) Enhanced Greening of Chui Yu Road, TKT

62. Miss Poe WONG said that the contractor was in the process of producing hanging planters and would proceed to install the planters when the production was completed.

(x) To Improve Illumination of Staircase Leading from Cliff Road to The Regalia

63. Miss Poe WONG reported that the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (“EMSD”) had completed the captioned works project in late October, with the total cost being \$46,200. She suggested that the item could be deleted.

64. The Vice-chairman concluded that Members agreed to delete the item.

(ii) Works Projects Endorsed in Principle by the DFMC

Provision of Landmark at Ladies’ Market (Tung Choi Street)

65. Miss Poe WONG introduced the refined landmark design by PowerPoint presentation (Annex 3) and displayed a model of the landmark in the scale of 1:20 at the meeting. She then invited the Works Section and the project consultant of the contract to

report on the details of the landmark construction works.

66. Ms TANG Suet-fan reported as follows:

- (a) The concept of “Harmony of Tai Chi” had been adopted for the latest landmark design to illustrate the characteristics of integration of different people and things of Mong Kok District. The landmark would be about 5 metres tall and its main body would be a sculpture covered by coppery-red stainless steel sheet. It would be erected on a Tai Chi logo made up of non-slip mosaic floor tiles, with a diameter of 2 metres as well as the words “Yau Tsim Mong District Council” and the YTMDC logo along the inner edge.
- (b) Two locations had been preliminarily suggested for building the landmark. One was near the Hollywood Plaza of the Hang Lung Group (on the right of the slide), but the telephone booth in there would have to be removed for this purpose. The other one was in the front of Fook Tai Building (on the left of the slide), but a tree in there would have to be removed to make way for the construction.
- (c) Since it would take four months to prepare the detailed design drawing, consult government departments and compile the tender document, and another three months and eight months approximately to carry out the tender exercise and the construction respectively, the works could be expected to be completed by February 2014 if Members endorsed the above refined landmark design in this meeting. The estimated cost was \$1.59 million.

67. Ms TANG Suet-fan added that when they applied for the excavation permit earlier on, the HyD said that due to the heavy traffic and pedestrian flow at the works site, the construction could only take place between 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon (four hours in total). The construction period was thus prolonged. As it also required much time to apply for the excavation permit, make the sculpture and build the foundation and supporting stand, the whole construction was expected to be completed by February 2014.

68. The Chairman said that as Mr CHOW Chun-fai had left the meeting for another one, he called on the Members on behalf of Mr CHOW to support the landmark design with the Tai Chi logo as the basis, so that the construction could commence soon.

69. The Chairman asked Members for their views on the two selected locations (near the Hollywood Plaza as shown on the right of the slide or near Fook Tai Building as shown on the left). He opined that the lighting and background of the location near the Hollywood Plaza as shown on the right were more ideal to fit with the new landmark. Moreover, the DO had already contacted PCCW, with the latter willing to remove the telephone booth in there to accommodate the project.

70. Both Mr Derek HUNG and Ms KWAN Sau-ling were supportive of building the landmark in the location near the Hollywood Plaza as shown on the right of the slide, so that the tree in the location on the left (near Fook Tai Building) could be retained.

71. The Chairman concluded that Members supported building the landmark in the location near the Hollywood Plaza as shown on the right of the slide.

72. Ms KO Po-ling supported using the landmark design with the Tai Chi logo as the basis.
73. Mr WONG Kin-san asked whether the curved design adopted for the main body of the landmark would lead to accumulation of water, dust or rubbish easily.
74. The Chairman said that rubbish would not accumulate on the landmark, and the daily cleaning arrangement for the landmark would be similar to that for the other landmarks in the district (e.g. the Goldfish Sculpture at Nullah Road). Therefore, cleaning should not be a major problem.
75. Mr WONG Kin-san was worried that the golden surface of the landmark would attract gold-loving visitors to touch it, so that it would be scratched or made dirty easily.
76. The Chairman said that as the surface of the landmark was especially made of matte frosted hard material which was strong and scratch-resistant, it might not be easily scratched.
77. Mr WONG Kin-san said that only the English name of the YTMDC was shown on the black side of the current Tai Chi logo while only the Chinese name of the YTMDC was shown on the white side. Therefore, he asked whether both the Chinese and English names of the YTMDC could be shown on both the black and white sides of the Tai Chi logo.
78. The Chairman opined that in view of the limited space inside the Tai Chi logo, if both the Chinese and English names of the YTMDC were to be shown on both the black and white sides of the Tai Chi logo, the font size could not be too big so it might fail to achieve an ideal effect.
79. Mr Chris IP opined that the works project was distinctive and asked on which part of the landmark the DC logo would be shown. He also pointed out that attention should be paid to prevent the logo from being covered due to nearby vendors and residents hanging clothing or objects on the board of the logo.
80. The Chairman said that it might not be necessary to discuss this matter at the meeting. He proposed that Members authorise him, the Vice-chairman and other Members of the local district or who were interested to follow up on the matter. Members had no objections.
81. The Chairman asked the project consultant whether pure black and pure white mosaic floor tiles could be used instead to lay out the Tai Chi logo, and as for the words, whether white letters/characters on black background and vice versa could be adopted.
82. Ms TANG Suet-fan responded that the colours of the mosaic floor tiles could be mixed and matched so it was okay to use the black and white colours.
83. The Chairman asked Members whether it was necessary to show both the Chinese and English names of the YTMDC on both the black and white sides of the Tai Chi logo.
84. Mr Chris IP opined that the design for the names of the YTMDC submitted by the project consultant at the meeting was simpler (only the English name of the YTMDC was shown on the black side of the Tai Chi logo and only the Chinese name was shown on the white side) and should be adopted. He disagreed with showing both the Chinese and English names on both the black and white sides of the Tai Chi logo as he thought that it was not aesthetically pleasing.

85. The Chairman concluded that Members endorsed the refined design for the landmark and words and agreed that black and white mosaic floor tiles would be used to lay out the Tai Chi logo, while the main body of the landmark would be made of B4 coppery-red stainless steel. The naming of the landmark could be discussed later. He also asked the Works Section of the HAD to complete the works as soon as possible.

86. Miss Poe WONG responded that the DO would prepare for the tender exercise as soon as possible now that the works had been formally endorsed by the DFMC.

**Item 4 Report on LCSD's District Free Entertainment Programmes and District Arts and Cultural Events for YTM District
(YTMDPMC Paper No. 61/2012)**

87. The Chairman welcomed Mr Alex CHEUNG, Senior Manager (Kowloon West/Cultural Services) and Mr Raymond HO, Manager (Kowloon West) Marketing, Programme and District Activities of the LCSD to the meeting.

88. Mr Raymond HO briefly introduced the paper.

89. There being no further comments, the Chairman closed the discussion on this item.

**Item 5 Report on Recreational and Sports Activities and Management of Facilities in YTM District by LCSD (August 2012 to January 2013)
(YTMDPMC Paper No. 62/2012)**

90. The Chairman welcomed:

- (a) Mr Richard WONG, Chief Leisure Manager (Hong Kong West), Mr Vincent SO, District Leisure Manager (Yau Tsim Mong), Ms Brenda YEUNG, Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) Yau Tsim Mong and Ms Carol SHEA, Assistant Leisure Manager II (District Support) Yau Tsim Mong of the LCSD;
- (b) Ms Maria CHEUNG, General Manager, Corporate Communication of the New World Development ("NWD") Company Limited;
- (c) Mr Jeff TUNG, Project Director of NW Project Management Limited;
- (d) Mr James CORNER, Principal of James Corner Field Operation; and
- (e) Mr Forth BAGLEY, Senior Associate Principal of Kohn Pedersen Fox Associates.

91. Ms Brenda YEUNG briefly introduced the paper.

Proposal on Improvements to the Avenue of Stars, Tsim Sha Tsui

92. The Chairman said that at the 7th meeting of the YTMDC, Members agreed to refer the matter on facilities improvement for the Avenue of Stars in Tsim Sha Shui ("TST") to the DFMC for follow-up and discussion. He then invited the NWD representative to speak.

93. Ms Maria CHEUNG said that the NWD would improve the facilities of the Avenue of Stars shortly, including provision of seating, sun umbrellas and planters. She pointed out that the NWD intended to enhance the environment of the TST waterfront so as to revamp the area to attract local and overseas tourists to visit. She added that in the two weeks before the meeting, the NWD had kept in close contact with overseas architectural design experts in this regard and come up with preliminary ideas and concepts to optimise the TST Promenade. After the conduct of a feasibility study, the preliminary results thus obtained were positive. She then asked Mr James CORNER and Mr Jeff TUNG to introduce the NWD's preliminary idea and opinions on the optimisation of the TST Promenade.

94. Mr James CORNER briefly introduced in English the preliminary idea on the optimisation of the TST Promenade (including the Avenue of Stars and the area around the nearby Salisbury Garden).

95. Mr Jeff TUNG further explained the presentation of Mr James CORNER by PowerPoint presentation (Annex 4). He hoped that Members would support the idea concerned.

(Mr HUI Tak-leung left the meeting at 4:18 p.m.)

96. The Chairman thanked the NWD for actively giving responses and proposals. He asked Members to express their views proactively.

97. Mr CHAN Wai-keung spoke in English. He opined that the new idea focused only on greening the Avenue of Stars without any elements to promote local cultures (such as the history and development of the local film industry). In order to showcase to visitors Hong Kong as a place integrating Chinese and Western cultures, he suggested that introductory plates be added near the hand imprints of local film stars in the Avenue of Stars.

98. Mr Francis CHONG said that the layout of the optimised TST Promenade was similar to that of the West Kowloon Cultural District ("WKCD"). He wanted to know how the two could tie in with each other. He also suggested building double roller skating tracks in the Promenade to attract tourists.

99. Mr Barry WONG commended the NWD for its sincerity to have invited international experts on environmental planning and design to the meeting to share the design concept. He appreciated the creativity of the idea, which was different from the usual improvement recommendations of doing minor maintenance and repairs, and opined that it was appropriate for the NWD to take the initiative to consult Members on the idea it had proposed.

100. Mr Barry WONG added that according to the idea, there would be a water feature in the seaside walkway of the Avenue of Stars. In this connection, he suggested building a fountain with the tallest water columns in Asia. If day and evening performances would be staged at the water feature, he suggested that the evening performances be synchronised with the performances of "A Symphony of Lights" along the Victoria Harbour in order to complement each other and present to tourists and citizens the dazzling side of Hong Kong as a cosmopolitan city. If Members supported this proposal, he hoped that the relevant departments would expedite the approval so as to showcase the new face of the TST Promenade as soon as possible.

101. Ms KWAN Sau-ling thanked the NWD for its prompt response and submission of the idea for the DC's comments. She opined that the TST Promenade should not be mingled

with the WKCD as the former was a revitalisation programme generously funded and implemented by the NWD, while the latter was a large-scale project developed by the Government with public funds. She was glad to see more shades and covers included in the new idea of the Promenade, and added that it would be more ideal to plant trees with short trunks but large canopies. She also recommended that the area of the gathering lawn be enlarged to allow more visitors and users to rest leisurely on the lawn.

(Mr Francis CHONG left the meeting at 5:00 p.m.)

102. Mr HAU Wing-cheong suggested that there should be more elements integrating Chinese and Western cultures in the Avenue of Stars. He appreciated the design of the seaview platform which would allow visitors to enjoy the scenery of the Victoria Harbour. He added that it was not suitable to build roller skating tracks in places with a lot of people and vehicles. But he supported the recommendation of Ms KWAN Sau-ling and hoped that the NWD would actively consider enlarging the area of the gathering lawn. In addition, he asked when the overall works would commence.

103. Ms KO Po-ling said that as the public space next to the Cultural Centre was not large, it was not suitable to plant too many trees in there to avoid reducing public open space. Regarding the trellises used for vertical greening, she was worried that the trellises which were light in weight would be blown away and pose a hazard to users of the premises during typhoon season. She added that many visitors had complained that there were inadequate toilet facilities at the TST waterfront and suggested providing additional public toilets along the waterfront for the convenience of visitors.

104. Mr CHUNG Kong-mo opined that with the TST Promenade and the WKCD situated at different geographical locations, their views and roles thus played were different. He added that the NWD had gradually upgraded the facilities of the Avenue of Stars lately. Other than the addition of the hand imprints of six local film stars, he recommended erecting sculptures in the Avenue of Stars and installing scrolling display light boxes near the hand imprints of celebrities so as to introduce their information. Moreover, a few kung fu benches could be placed next to the bronze statue of international martial arts superstar Bruce Lee to create a unique feature as well as facilitate visitors to take a rest. Since the size of kung fu benches was limited, the unsightly view of people lying on the benches could be avoided. He agreed that the new design idea of the Promenade had emphasised a sense of space and the proposed gathering lawn would provide visitors with a place to relax and unwind. He recommended building a small stage near the lawn as this might help to integrate arts and culture with the environment. He also proposed staging the water performances by ships to preclude the need of excavating the seabed for the provision of the water feature.

105. Mr Chris IP said that earlier on, the Traffic and Transport Committee under the YTMDC had discussed the ways to improve the connection arrangements for the pedestrian subways in the area between Salisbury Road and the Cultural Centre. He opined that no matter how magnificent the optimised Promenade would be, pedestrians would still have to make a detour through underground passages to get to the waterfront. Therefore, the new idea might not be able to increase the attractiveness of the Promenade to visitors and the public. He wanted to know whether the NWD had studied the connection arrangements for the pedestrian subways, and hoped that the Chairman would follow up on and discuss this matter.

106. Mr WONG Kin-san said that there was no green open space in the district. It would be ideal if the gathering lawn could be put to good use. But he was worried that some

people (such as petitioners/protesters and foreign domestic helpers) would occupy such space for a long time for non-leisure uses. He asked the NWD to consider this point in the design.

107. Mr Benjamin CHOI was concerned that the proposed food court might reduce the area of the original public space. He urged the NWD to undertake that after the optimisation of the area along the Promenade, the space available for public use would not be less than before.

108. In response to the enquiry of Mr Chris IP, the Chairman said that the connection arrangements for the pedestrian subways were beyond the purview of the DFMC. He asked whether the NWD could answer the enquiry of Mr IP at this meeting or the next one. He also asked the LCSD and the DO to provide details on the departments to be involved in the preliminary design of the NWD for Members' reference.

109. Ms Betty HO responded that as the proposed location for the optimisation might involve the land ownership of the LCSD, the NWD had to consult the LCSD. If a fountain was to be built on the seabed, the statutory procedures as set out in the Foreshore and Sea-bed (Reclamations) Ordinance would have to be complied with and an application be submitted via the CEDD for vetting and approval. In addition, since the works would take place within Hong Kong waters and might affect the inlets and outlets of seafront pipelines, the Marine Department and the Drainage Services Department would have to be consulted respectively. Generally speaking, if the DC supported the design concept of the NWD, the DO and the LCSD could keep in contact with the NWD.

110. Mr Richard WONG supplemented that the Arch SD would have to be consulted as it was responsible for the repair and maintenance of the section of promenade at the Avenue of Stars. In regard to the proposal of staging day and evening performances at the water feature, the EPD would also have to be consulted as issues relating to light pollution and noises might be involved.

111. Mr Derek HUNG asked in order to reduce the technical complexity of the works, whether the corrugated railing design for the waterfront could be used in the reclaimed area nearest to the waterfront instead, and whether the fountain to be situated in the sea could be replaced with cantilever fountain equipment to avoid any construction on the seabed.

112. Mr HAU Wing-cheong appreciated the beautifully designed viewing platform of the Avenue of Stars which would be a good place for visitors to enjoy the sea view and take photos. He said that there should not be much technical difficulty for the works and recommended that consideration be given to replacing the fountain with special vessels, which might be able to achieve similar effects.

113. Ms Maria CHEUNG responded that the TST Promenade and the WKCD had different characteristics and were not entirely the same. In regard to the views including building a fountain with the tallest water columns in Asia, setting up introductory plates for local film stars along the hand imprints in the Avenue of Stars and constructing a pedestrian subway leading from Sheraton Hong Kong Hotel and Towers to the waterfront, she said that the NWD would embark on a study accordingly.

114. Mr Jeff TUNG translated the English presentation of Mr James CORNER and the responses were as follows:

- (a) The design for the revitalisation of the TST Promenade was only a preliminary concept. The NWD would consider the views of Members

and come back to Members with a revised design;

- (b) The TST waterfront had historical significance as the area carried the collective memories of Hong Kong people and was a melting pot of Chinese and Western cultures, rendering it different from the newly designed WKCD. The NWD would try its best to reflect these characteristics in the design;
- (c) Flexibility was the key in designing the use of the waterfront public space. For example, folding tables and chairs would be used in the food court so that if major events or celebrations were to be held, they could be easily removed to make way for performances;
- (d) The NWD had already commenced a series of technical studies in order to facilitate visitors to access the waterfront from perimeter access roads. But it was unable to report to Members at this meeting due to time constraints. The commencement date of the works would depend on the time of approval given by the departments and the coordination of various parties;
- (e) The Avenue of Stars was currently co-managed by the LCSD and the NWD but there was room for improvement in this mode of management. Once the recommendations for the optimisation of the Promenade had been confirmed, the NWD would examine the options to enhance or improve the mode of management in collaboration with the LCSD, so as to manage the public space and organise exhibitions and performances effectively.

115. Mr Chris IP was glad to learn that the NWD had attached great importance to the issue of waterfront pedestrian links, and hoped that the NWD could put forward connection proposals to facilitate pedestrians to get to the waterfront.

116. Mr CHAN Wai-keung spoke in English. He hoped that Mr James CORNER could submit a unique design that was not solely about greening to the DFMC a few months later. He also recommended that simultaneous interpretation service be provided at the meeting in future to save the time for providing consecutive interpretation service for English speakers.

117. The Chairman concluded that Members supported the NWD's preliminary idea to revitalise the TST Promenade. Besides, they agreed that the team to be formed by the Chairman, the Vice-chairman, Mr HAU Wing-cheong, Ms KWAN Sau-ling and Mr Chris IP would discuss the modification of the idea with the NWD. The NWD would also make use of the LCSD's district facilities management report to report on the progress at DFMC meetings in due course.

Item 6 Report on DMWs and Environmental Improvement Projects ("EIPs") in LCSD's Venues in YTM District in 2012-2015
(YTMDPMC Paper No. 63/2012)

118. Ms Brenda YEUNG briefly introduced the paper.

119. Mr Chris IP said that a few sets of the elderly fitness facilities in Kowloon Park were damaged and it would take time to replace. He recommended using elderly fitness facilities which were more durable to reduce the frequency of replacement.

120. Mr Barry WONG said that Members had repeatedly stressed that the new park benches should be fitted with armrests and compartmentalised to prevent people from occupying and lying on the benches. He did not understand why the benches provided at the TST Promenade were not fitted with armrests.

(Ms KO Po-ling left the meeting at 5:35 p.m.)

121. Ms KWAN Sau-ling said that she had repeatedly reflected to the LCSD that both the existing and new park benches must be fitted with armrests to prevent people from lying and occupying them. She wanted to know whether it was possible to re-fit armrests onto the benches.

122. Mr Vincent SO responded that the selection of elderly fitness facilities by the LCSD would depend on the choices offered by the tender supplier(s). He said that the benches to be retrofitted at the Urban Council Centenary Garden would be fitted with armrests. But the benches to be provided at the TST Promenade would not be fitted with armrests in order to tie in with and allow visitors to enjoy the wide and comfortable leisure space. He added that the LCSD would continue to observe the situation to determine if it was necessary to fit armrests onto the park benches.

123. The Vice-chairman asked Members if they still wanted to have armrests fitted onto the benches at the Promenade.

124. Ms KWAN Sau-ling and Mr Barry WONG both agreed that there was such a need.

125. The Vice-chairman asked the LCSD to follow up on the relevant requests.

126. There being no further comments, the Vice-chairman closed the discussion on this item.

Item 7 Funding Application for DMWs and EIPs in LCSD's Venues in YTM District in 2012/13
(YTMDPMC Paper No. 64/2012)

127. Ms Brenda YEUNG briefly introduced the funding application paper.

128. Ms KWAN Sau-ling asked the LCSD whether it would replace all the 40 sets of spotlights on the flower beds at the TST Promenade to reduce the expenditure on repairing individual spotlights and conserve energy.

129. Ms Brenda YEUNG said that the works concerned had included the replacement of all the 40 sets of spotlights on the flower beds at the TST Promenade.

130. Mr Barry WONG asked the LCSD what material had been selected to install tactile guide paths. He opined that the surface of metal was too smooth and pedestrians might slip over easily.

131. Mr Vincent SO said that in general, the Arch SD would make use of yellow glass fibre to install guide paths at outdoor venues and apply special solvent to the smooth surface to increase friction, so as to prevent pedestrians from slipping over. He added that the LCSD would closely monitor the safety issues of guide paths.

132. Mr WONG Kin-san hoped that after the installation of two sets of seats with rain shelters at the Nullah Road SOA, the LCSD would consider installing more similar seats at the said SOA with reference to the future utilisation rate.

133. The Chairman recommended that the design of the seats for the said SOA be modified and the seats be fitted with armrests and compartmentalised to prevent people from occupying and lying on them.

134. Ms Brenda YEUNG responded that the LCSD would consider installing seats that were fitted with armrests and compartmentalised.

135. Mr Barry WONG and Mr LAU Pak-kei asked whether the canopies of the rain shelters of the seats were tilted. If not, they were worried that it might cause the problem of stagnant water.

136. Ms Brenda YEUNG responded that the canopies of the rain shelters were at a slight tilt to prevent the accumulation of rain water and fallen leaves.

(Mr Derek HUNG left the meeting at 6:26 p.m.)

137. The Chairman enquired why the works to install solar films onto the glass windows at the top of the arena of Boundary Street Sports Centre No. 1 had cost \$80,000, and wanted to know the area covered by and the detailed valuation of the works.

138. Ms Brenda YEUNG said that the area covered by the works was approximately equal to the area of four badminton courts. The cost of the works included that of installing solar films onto 124 glass windows and erecting platform for work at height.

139. The Chairman asked whether there was any readily-erected platform for work at height at the site.

140. Ms Brenda YEUNG responded that the Arch SD had to especially erect platform for work at height for this works.

141. Mr Chris IP recommended that when the solar films required replacement, consideration might be given to using filter glass windows directly to avoid trouble, subject to the resources available.

142. The Chairman recommended a switch to frosted glass windows and wanted to know the cost concerned.

143. Mr HAU Wing-cheong declared that he was engaged in the wholesale business of solar films. To his knowledge, solar films did not cost much but as the contractor had to conduct a works safety assessment and erect platform for work at height, the cost of the works might thus be higher.

144. Mr Edward LEUNG and the Chairman enquired why the LCSD did not provide platform for work at height to the contractor to reduce the cost of the works.

145. Mr Vincent SO said that there was no platform for work at height in the sports complex. Such platforms conforming to the specifications would have to be especially erected even when the contractors of the EMSD were to replace the fluorescent light tubes at the top of the arena of the sports complex.

146. Mr Chris IP opined that it would no doubt be difficult to explain to the public if the cost of erecting platform for work at height had accounted for a high proportion of the cost of the works.

147. The Chairman wanted to know whether it was necessary to erect platform for work at height in order to install the solar films and whether the platform could be re-used. In addition, he wanted to know the cost if filter glass windows would be installed at the top of the arena of the sports complex instead.

148. Mr Vincent SO responded that he did not have the required information at hand and that he would report to the DFMC after obtaining the quotation.

149. The Chairman concluded that Members supported an allocation of \$1,240,000 to the LCSD for the implementation of four DMWs and EIPs in the district. In regard to the funding application for the works for Boundary Street Sports Centre No. 1 which was pending endorsement, the LCSD was required to provide the following information at the next meeting for DFMC's further discussion:

- (a) A breakdown of the cost of the works at \$80,000 (including wages and the cost of the solar films);
- (b) Whether platforms for work at height could be borrowed from other venues to reduce the expenditure of the works;
- (c) Whether the platform for work at height so erected for the works could be re-used in future; and
- (d) The cost of the works for a switch to non-reflective or frosted glass windows at the top of the arena of the sports complex.

150. There being no further comments, the Chairman closed the discussion on this item.

Item 8 Suggestions to Improve Arrangements for Booking and Allocation of LCSD's Recreation and Sports Facilities
(YTMDPMC Paper No. 65/2012)

151. The Chairman welcomed Miss Margrit LI, Assistant Director (Leisure Services) and Mrs Winnie WONG, Leisure Manager (Land-based Venues) of the LCSD.

152. Mrs Winnie WONG briefly introduced the paper by PowerPoint presentation.

153. Mr Edward LEUNG pointed out that according to the statistics for personal bookings of natural turf soccer pitches and artificial turf soccer pitches, over 30% of the original hirers had not taken up the booked sessions, among which about 30% had been subsequently taken up by "stand-by" users. This phenomenon was unusual. He hoped that the LCSD could address the problem of touting the permits for its sports facilities.

154. The Chairman shared the views of Mr Edward LEUNG. He agreed that "stand-by" users should be charged and the advance booking period for individuals be shortened from 30 days to 10 days.

155. Mr Derek HUNG was in favour of charging "stand-by" users half of the hire charges

and not offering a refund to the original hirers who arrived late. He said that if these arrangements were to be implemented, the LCSD must set them out clearly in the relevant documents for the public's knowledge.

156. Ms KWAN Sau-ling recommended that the LCSD conduct timely reviews after the implementation of the improvement recommendations so as to strengthen the deterrent effect.

157. The Chairman asked Members whether they agreed to taking soccer pitches and basketball courts on a pilot basis for cancelling the "stand-by" arrangement.

158. Mr Chris IP did not agree to taking basketball courts on a pilot basis.

159. The Chairman summed up Members' views and said that Members were in favour of shortening the advance booking period for individuals from 30 days to 10 days and trying out the cancellation of the "stand-by" arrangement for soccer pitches.

160. Miss Margrit LI said that the LCSD would continue to consult the public through various channels on whether it should charge "stand-by" users and offer a refund to the original hirers who arrived late, etc. She pointed out that the original hirers would be dissatisfied if they were not allowed to use the venues and get a refund because they had arrived late but then the venues had been taken up by "stand-by" users who had paid a charge. She was worried that this arrangement would lead to disputes among the original hirers, "stand-by" users and venue staff over the time of bookings and distressing incidents.

161. The Chairman said that since there were clocks in all the sports complexes, he did not think that there would be any dispute in determining whether the original hirers had arrived late.

162. Miss Margrit LI added that at present, some of the LCSD's soccer pitches were not provided with shroff counters. The recommendation would require the provision of additional manpower and ancillary facilities at the venues to receive on the spot payment from "stand-by" users. There would be certain difficulties.

163. The Chairman understood that there would be difficulties in implementing the recommendation. But except for soccer pitches, most other venues such as tennis courts and badminton courts were provided with shroff counters so there should not be any difficulty in receiving payments. Members accepted the LCSD's recommendations on the improvements.

164. The Chairman concluded and urged the LCSD to address the problem of touting of permits.

165. There being no further comments, the Chairman closed the discussion on this item.

(Mr HAU Wing-cheong and Mr Edward LEUNG left the meeting at 6:35 p.m.)

Item 9 Report on Extension Activities and Usage of Public Libraries in YTM District from August to September 2012 and Extension Activities Programme Plan from December 2012 to January 2013 by LCSD (YTMDPMC Paper No. 66/2012)

166. The Chairman welcomed Mrs Karen CHU, Senior Librarian (Yau Tsim Mong) and

Ms Donna SIU, Librarian (Yau Ma Tei Public Library) of the LCSD.

167. Mrs Karen CHU briefly introduced the paper.

168. Members noted the contents of the paper. There being no further comments, the Chairman closed the discussion on this item.

(Mr HAU Wing-cheong and Mr Edward LEUNG left the meeting at 6:35 p.m.)

Item 10 Report on DMWs in Public Libraries in YTM District in 2012/13 by LCSD
(YTMDPMC Paper No. 67/2012)

169. The Chairman asked the representatives of the LCSD to briefly introduce the paper.

170. Mrs Karen CHU briefly introduced the paper.

171. There being no further comments, the Chairman closed the discussion on this item.

Item 11 Request for Provision of Illumination System in Lok Kwan Street Park
(YTMDPMC Paper No. 68/2012)

----- 172. The Chairman said that the written response of the LCSD (Annex 5) had been faxed to Members for perusal before the meeting.

173. Mr LAU Pak-kei supplemented the contents of the paper.

174. The Chairman said that the LCSD had expressed that it would follow up on the relevant works proposal. He then asked whether the DFMC would have to pay for the relevant costs of the works.

175. Mr Vincent SO said that the DFMC would absorb the costs of the works. He supplemented that the LCSD would be responsible for part of the works of Lok Kwan Street Park near the access point of Wai On Street and in the jogging trail. He would report to the DFMC again once further works design and quotations were available. For the part at the access point of the park near Sham Mong Road, as it fell within the jurisdiction of the HyD, the works would be referred to the HyD for follow-up.

176. There being no further comments, the Chairman closed the discussion on this item.

Item 12 Suggestion to Provide Canopy at GMB Stop for Routes 46, 70 and 12S off Larch Street SOA
(YTMDPMC Paper No. 69/2012)

----- 177. The Chairman said that the written response of the HyD (Annex 6) had been faxed to Members for perusal before the meeting.

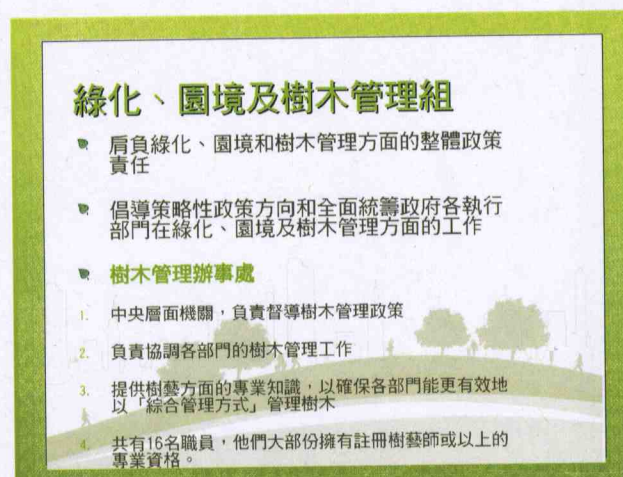
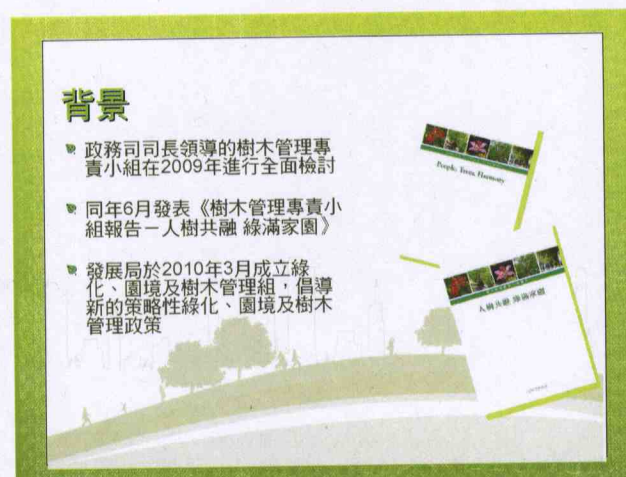
178. Mr LAU Pak-kei supplemented the contents of the paper.

179. There being no further comments, the Chairman concluded that Members supported the relevant works proposal in principle and agreed that the DO would be responsible for following up the feasibility study of the works. He then closed the discussion on this item.

Item 13 **Any Other Business**

180. There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 6:45 p.m. The next meeting would be held at 2:30 p.m. on 10 January 2013 (Thursday).

Yau Tsim Mong District Council Secretariat
December 2012



「綜合管理方式」管理樹木

- 「綜合管理方式」管理樹木
- 樹木管理辦事處，在中央層面，負責督導樹木管理政策，提供樹木管理方面的專業知識
- 部門分工 -

部門	負責樹木管理的主要土地類別
漁農自然護理署	郊野公園內
渠務署	渠務設施及預留地
房屋署	公共屋邨內
路政署	沿快速公路
康樂及文化事務署	康文署轄下場地沿公用道路園景美化地帶(快速公路除外)
水務署	水務設施及預留地
各部門	斜坡所屬維修部門
各部門	已撥用的政府土地/政府設施(如學校、辦公大樓、警署、監獄等)



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樹木管理辦事處的工作重點

- ① 加強管理樹木風險
- ② 推動以質素為先的樹木管理方針
- ③ 完善樹木投訴處理機制和緊急應變安排
- ④ 加強培訓以提升樹木管理人員的專業水平
- ⑤ 加強公眾教育和社區參與

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1. 加強管理樹木風險

- 自2010年引入新的樹木風險評估安排
- 風險緩解措施
 - 進行修剪、移除枯枝、治理病蟲害、以纜索或支柱支撐樹木
- 質量保證措施
 - 監督前線工作、進行內部審核、抽查部門人員所填寫的樹木檢查報表、政府土地上的樹木

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兩階段樹木風險評估工作：



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階段2

樹群檢查

如果

如樹群內有下述樹木：

- 古樹名木
- 石牆樹
- 可能對公眾構成危險的枯樹
- 有健康或結構問題的樹木

逐一進行詳細檢查：

- “目視法” + 合適的檢查方法 + 簡單工具及/或先進儀器



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1. 加強管理樹木風險

- 樹木網頁內的「樹木名冊」
 - 更新名冊上的樹木的最新狀況
- 提升社區監察樹木的措施：
 - 繼續通過綠化大使、地區護樹義工、公屋住戶及學生協助政府監察樹木
 - 製作一連三套的教育用錄影帶
 - 於2011年4月推出“Tell me@1823”的智能手機應用程式
 - 在2011年年中透過互聯網和流動裝置報告有問題樹木



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1. 加強管理樹木風險

樹木網頁內的樹木名冊



2. 推動以質素為先的樹木管理方針

- 培訓及制訂指引和作業方式
- 建立「樹木枝折或倒塌資料庫」
 - 蒐集枝折或倒塌以及因健康欠佳和結構問題而被移除的樹木的詳情
 - 分析樹木問題的成因，實施合適的改善措施



2. 推動以質素為先的樹木管理方針

- 研究香港常見樹木的木質強度、香港常見導致樹木腐爛的生物媒體以及行道樹管理研究等
- 於2011年3月成立樹木管理專家小組
- 建立新的電子樹木管理資訊系統



3. 完善樹木投訴處理機制和緊急應變安排

- “1823” 電話中心：透過電話、電郵、傳真或函件受理市民的投訴／查詢並監察每宗個案的進度，並向投訴人交代個案的最新進展
- 樹木管理辦事處將率先處理樹木管理部門自行難以處理的複雜樹木個案



年中無休 1823 不停服務
1823 電話中心每天24小時運作，為市民提供樹木管理服務。

3. 完善樹木投訴處理機制和緊急應變安排

- 內部警報系統
 - 每當發生嚴重樹木枝折或倒塌事故時，消防處、香港警務處、“1823”電話中心和路政署會通知本辦事處
 - 有人嚴重受傷(即傷者已入院)或死亡
 - 財物嚴重損毀
 - 主要行人路或車路嚴重阻塞或完全阻塞
- 樹木管理辦事處具註冊樹藝師資格的人員將趕往現場，指導有關樹木管理部門處理事故



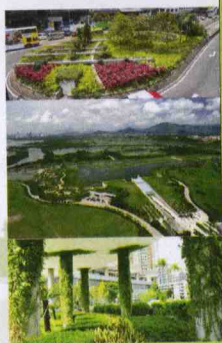
4. 加強培訓以提升樹木管理人員的專業水平

- 綠化、園境及樹木管理組現正聯同樹木管理部門，制訂培訓及人力發展計劃。每年約為5000名樹木管理部門人員提供不同級別的樹木風險評估及其他樹木管理課程
- 與本地培訓機構聯繫，以便為業界提供更多適切的培訓
- 持續檢討有意加入政府認可承辦商名冊的承辦商的資格要求
- 研究各種方法，例如透過訂立更清晰的服務要求，推動顧問／承辦商不斷改善表現



綠化及園境辦事處的工作重點

- 積極爭取更多綠化的機會
- 提倡優質園境設計
- 引入新穎的綠化技術
- 加強業內培訓及人力發展
- 加強公眾教育和社區參與



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1. 積極爭取更多綠化的機會

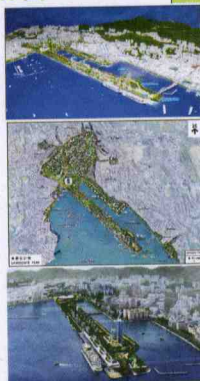
- 針對新發展及市區重建地點，增加優質綠化的土地
- 訂定在新建道路中央及路旁預留充足種植空間的要求
- 訂定新建政府建築物地盤綠化覆蓋率的要求
- 提供新私人發展項目綠化上蓋面積比例的意見



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1. 積極爭取更多綠化的機會

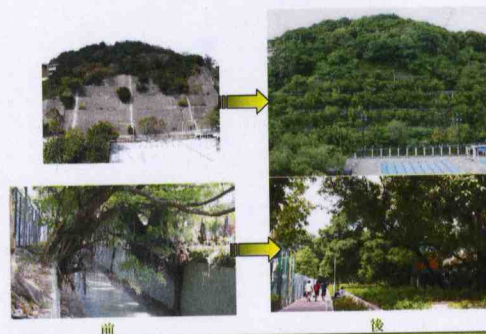
- 為某項目訂定更嚴格的綠化上蓋面積比例要求
- 啓德發展區採納文化體育和旅遊綠茵樞紐的規劃主題
- 規劃範圍總面積逾320公頃
- “可持續發展的綠化網絡”
- 綠化覆蓋比率達總面積之三成



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1. 積極爭取更多綠化的機會

- 以新穎的園境設計來加強綠化



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1. 積極爭取更多綠化的機會

- 綠化總綱圖改善城市景觀
- 回應公眾對地區為本的綠化策略
- 為地區訂定整體綠化綱領，展示各區不同的風貌

市區綠化總綱圖

- 2011年6月完成
- 24,890棵樹木和513萬株灌木

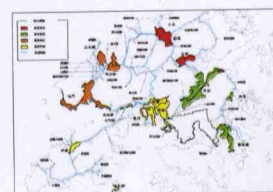


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新界綠化總綱圖

- 四項顧問研究涵蓋新界9個地區制訂綠化總綱圖

- 新界東南(涵蓋沙田和西貢)
- 新界西北(涵蓋元朗和屯門)
- 新界東北(涵蓋北區和大埔)
- 新界西南(涵蓋荃灣、葵青和離島區)

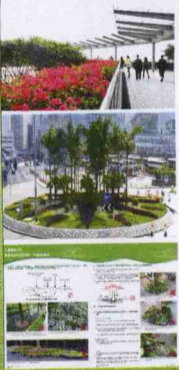


研究範圍

- 「加強地區參與模式」與有關區議會和區內居民攜手合作
- 着眼於在人口較稠密的地點(例如市中心)、旅遊景點及交通幹線沿線進行綠化

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2. 提倡優質園境設計



- 提倡全面及可持續的園境設計，考慮美學角度，及各類植物生長週期的護養要求
- 制定適當種植及園境設計方面的技術指引
- 為政府部門的規劃研究及地區改善計劃，提供綠化和園境的专业意見

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3. 引入新穎的綠化技術



- 提倡高空綠化，包括垂直綠化和屋頂綠化



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3. 引入新穎的綠化技術



- 提倡廣泛採用高空綠化
- 制訂揀選合適的植物品種指引
- 舉辦研討會，與政府部門及非政府機構分享新穎綠化技術的专业知識和經驗
- 向非政府機構推廣屋頂綠化
 - 在環境及自然保育基金之下為非政府團體提供資金
 - 在技術層面提供資料，克服工程困難

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加強公眾教育和社區參與

社區參與綠化委員會

- 新社區參與綠化委員會於 2011 年 3 月成立，並由常任秘書長（工務）擔任主席
- 委員會就向公眾及社區鼓勵綠化工作及培育愛護樹木的文化，提供意見



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加強公眾教育和社區參與



- 透過各方合作建立多元化社區參與和公眾教育活動，在本地培育愛護植物和樹木的文化。
- 每年約有4000市民參與有關的公眾教育活動。

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- 出版《綠化》期刊

- 旨在鼓勵公眾參與及宣傳政府綠化、園境及樹木管理的工作



- 製作有關綠化、園境及樹木管理事宜的教材套

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樹木網頁

- 發展局的樹木網頁上載有關樹木管理的資訊供業界及市民大眾瀏覽。(www.trees.gov.hk)



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綠化網頁

- www.greening.gov.hk



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展覽及講座

- 香港花卉展覽
- 為中小學生和公眾舉辦綠化及護樹講座，並舉辦巡迴展覽

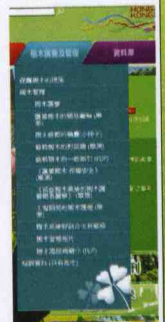


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宣傳和公眾參與

- 向專業及業內人士的推廣綠化/園境及樹木管理資料
- 編製資料單張及供網上瀏覽

- 包括正確種植方法、工程期間的樹木護理等



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- 為各階層人士，例如專業團體、非政府機構、學生及市民
- 舉辦管理樹木及高空綠化的研討會
- 定期展示有關綠化、園境及樹木管理的資料



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SKYRISE GREENERY AWARDS 高空綠化大獎 2012

- 本港首個高空綠化大獎
- 提倡業界採用高空綠化
- 讓公眾欣賞和認識優質綠化項目的典範
- 113個參賽項目，25個獲獎
- 頒獎典禮於5月舉行，巡迴展覽至10月



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樹木園境地圖

在10月出版樹木園境地圖，介紹本港具特色的樹木和綠化空間

讓市民認識各區的綠化園境資產

參考十八區的選區分界作區分；介紹每一區具園境及樹木特色的地方，令市民欣賞本港綠化工作



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樹木園境地圖

內容取材/準則:

- 特色樹木/樹群
- 特色的公共空間
- 供市民享用的草坪、海濱長廊等
- 具獨特園境價值
- 具地標性/歷史價值



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「人樹共融」攝影及錄像比賽

- 為了提高市民對綠化，園境和樹木的欣賞和興趣，將在2012年9月舉辦一公開攝影及錄像比賽
- 設有公開組及學生組



宣傳和公眾參與 - 2012 的重點活動

古樹名木導賞團

- 政府的政策是要優先保護古樹名木。發展局將與民政事務總署及有關的樹木管理部門合作，在2012年10月至11月於港島、九龍和新界舉辦3個為期半天的導賞團。
- 實地介紹一些獨特的樹木如石牆樹和「樹屋」；古樹名木的特別養護工作，如褐根病防治；和先進驗樹儀器如聲納探測儀和微鑽阻力探測儀的應用示範等。



樹木檢查 - 聲納探測儀



樹木檢查 - 微鑽阻力測試



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風雨季來臨前樹木風險評估

各樹木管理部門在每年五月底前完成新一輪的樹木風險評估。



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- 樹木管理辦事處每年於風雨季來臨前致函業主立案法團、互助委員會、分區委員會、鄉事委員會、村代表、物業管理公司、教育及宗教團體及其他非政府機構，促請他們妥善護養其物業範圍內的樹木，以確保居民、使用者和訪客的安全。
- 並為物業管理從業員舉辦樹木護理工作的講座。



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- 在地區及學校舉辦樹木護理研討會，加深大眾與青少年對護養樹木的認識，並鼓勵他們報告有問題的樹木。
- 綠化、園境及樹木管理組將會於9月至12月期間，到全港18區區議會介紹管理組各項綠化、園境及樹木管理工作。



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若要報告有問題的樹木，請：

- 致電1823
- 使用智能手機應用程式“Tell me @1823”



綠化、園境及樹木管理組工作總結

- 繼續全力推展綠化、園境及樹木管理的工作
- 提升政府部門及業界在綠化、園境及樹木管理工作方面的水平
- 繼續統籌和協調樹木管理部門做好日常樹木風險評估和樹木護養工作
- 在風雨季節期間，部門會提高警覺，密切監察樹木狀況和安全風險的變化，以便及時作出適當的跟進
- 加強抽查部門管理的樹木，為部門提供專業意見
- 繼續按部門的需要，協助提供樹木風險管理及參與護養樹木人員的培訓

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玉器街地圖板的板面設計



油尖旺區議會
Yau Tsim Mong District Council

玉器街及玉器市場

玉石質地溫潤，色澤柔麗。古人佩玉以示德養地位，民間亦以玉為辟邪祥物，玉之為寶，古今同珍。香港是世界主要的玉器集散地。本港玉器發展之初，集中在舊油麻地避風塘、上海街及新填地街一帶，當時的顧客多為航海商人及漁民，因海途險阻，故此隨身佩玉，祈求一帆風順，沿途平安。

上世紀五十年代初期，內地不少玉器作坊師傅南遷香港，在佐敦道與廣東道(至甘肅街一段)聚居，經營故業。這批巧匠帶來精湛的車玉加工技術，為本港玉器業蓬勃發展奠定穩固的基礎。

一九七二年美國尼克遜總統訪華，全球掀起一片「中國熱」。香港玉器業乘時而起，產品除供應本地市場外，更行銷東南亞，遠及歐美各地。廣東道在七十年代全盛期，有過百家玉器店，玉器小販沿街擺賣，非常熱鬧，「玉器街」之名不脛而走。

為安置「玉器街」的攤販，當局於一九八四年設立甘肅街「玉器市場」，讓攤販遷入經營。「玉器市場」現有約四百個攤位，售賣各類玉石、寶石及首飾工藝品，款式繁多，琳琅滿目，價錢豐儉由人。

在九十年代後期，香港成為全球一大玉器生產地及貿易中心，銷量位居世界前列。本地產出的玉器大部分來自廣東道「玉器街」，「玉器街」在香港玉器發展史上的重要地位，不言而喻。

廣東道「玉器街」之名，聲聞遐邇。在二零一零年，香港玉器商會於廣東道與佐敦道交界豎立一塊重約四千公斤的天然緬甸玉石，名為「香港大玉石」。這塊大玉石形巨質堅，已成為「玉器街」的地標。

香港素有「翡翠之都」的美譽，業界恪守「天然翡翠」的商品說明條例，並採用 HOKLAS ISO 17025 標準進行翡翠檢測，顧客在香港購買翡翠玉器，可保稱心滿意。

The Jade Street and the Jade Market

Jade has been treasured since ancient times. With its exquisite texture and translucent lustre, jade has long been regarded as a symbol of nobility and moral integrity. It is also probably the commonest auspicious charm that people wear to ward off evil spirits.

Hong Kong is a major international jade trading centre. In the early days, the sale of jade products was confined to the vicinity of old Yau Ma Tei Typhoon Shelter, Shanghai Street and Reclamation Street. Most of the customers were travelling merchants and fishermen, who wore jade accessories to wish for a safe journey across the stormy sea.

Later, in the early 1950s, many craftsmen of jade workshops in the Mainland came south to Hong Kong. These skilled workers settled along Jordan Road and Canton Road (the section up to Kansu Street) and re-established their business there. Their craftsmanship in jade cutting and polishing laid a strong foundation for the robust development of Hong Kong's jade industry.

In 1972, the then U.S. President Nixon's trip to China sparked the "China fever" across the world. Seizing this golden opportunity, the jade industry in Hong Kong thrived and reached a booming success. Jade products were not only sold in the local market but also exported to Southeast Asia and even far away to Europe and the U.S. The industry grew in full swing in the 1970s and flourished on Canton Road, where over a hundred jade shops and numerous jade hawkers could be found. The name "Jade Street" rose to fame swiftly.

In 1984, the Government set up the Jade Market at Kansu Street to accommodate the jade hawkers operating on Canton Road. With some 400 stalls, the Jade Market is home to an impressive array of jade, gemstones and jewellery craft items in every price range.

In the late 1990s, Hong Kong became a global manufacturing and distribution centre for jade carvings, recording high work rankings in production and sales volume. As the "Jade Street" is the birthplace of many local jade products, its importance in the development of Hong Kong's jade industry is self-evident.

The fame of "Jade Street" spreads far and wide. At the junction of Canton Road and Jordan Road, there stands the Hong Kong Giant Jade Stone placed by the Hong Kong Jade Association in 2010. This boulder from Burma, weighing nearly 4,000 kg, has since become a landmark of the "Jade Street".

Hong Kong has a deserved reputation as the Capital of Feti Cui (jadeite jade). Members of the trade are in full compliance with the provisions of the Trade Descriptions Ordinance on natural feti cui. Together with the HOKLAS ISO 17025 accreditation on jadeite testing, customers can feel comfortable and confident purchasing jade products in Hong Kong.



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(以推拉法剖開玉石)
Old way of carving jade stones
(Push and Pull Method)



古時磨玉工
(以磨踏法解玉)
Old way of jade milling
(Stopping Method for Jade Milling)



古時玉石鑽孔
(手搖自轉法)
Old way of drilling holes in jade pieces
(Self-spinning Method)



玉器街1970年代舊貌
Old scene of the Jade Street in late 1970s

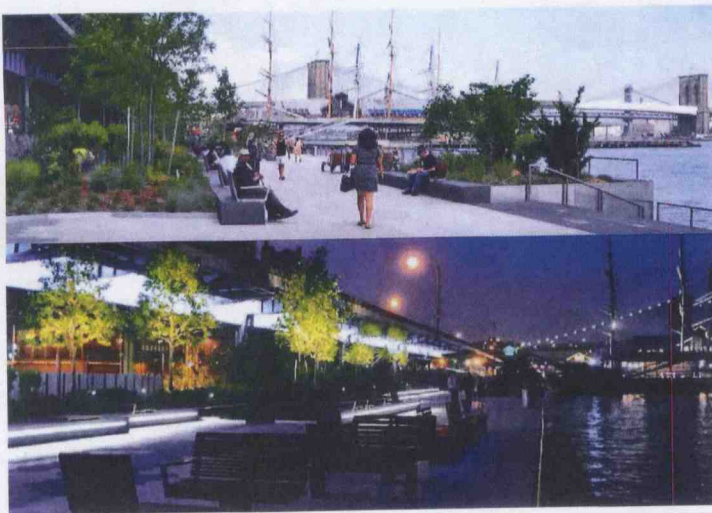
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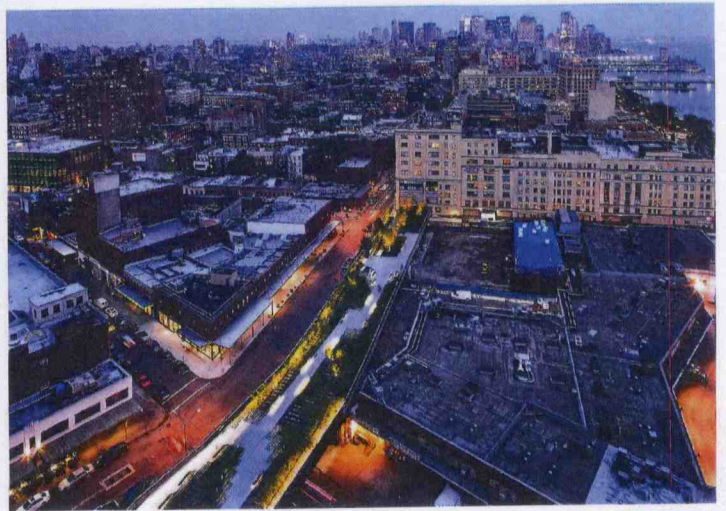
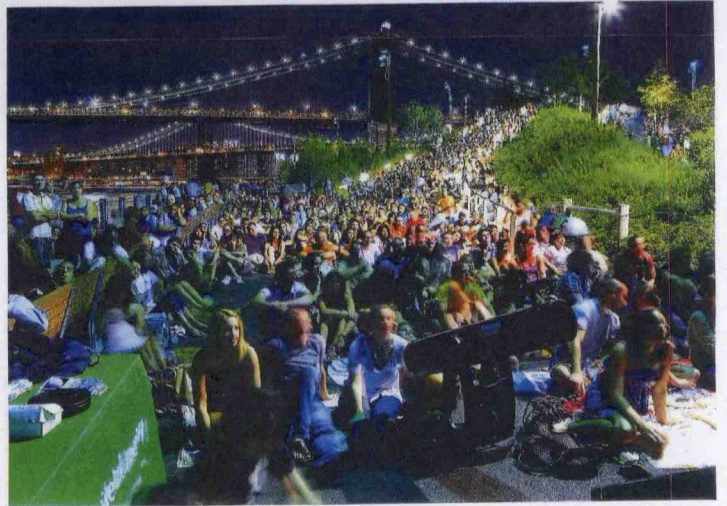


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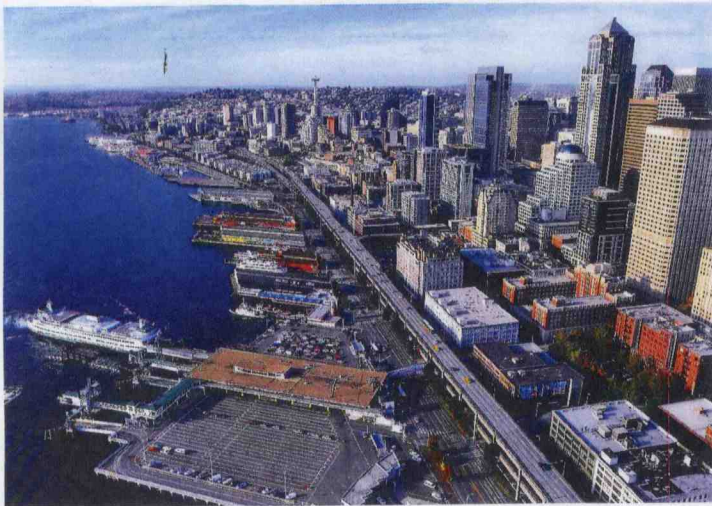
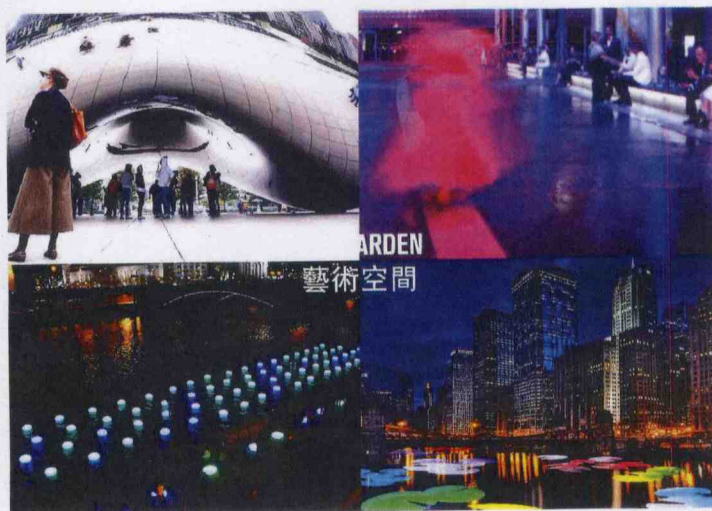


Fig. 2 Overall zoning for Tsim Sha Tsui Waterfront Area



Theme Plants for Tsim Sha Tsui 尖沙咀的主題植物

Trees 樹木



Spaethia campanulata
大樹木



Ficus benjamina
細樹



Cinnamomum camphora
樟樹



Jacaranda acutata
藍花樹



Crotona variegata
金木



Cinnamomum burmanni
肉桂

Climbers 攀緣植物



Bougainvillea latifolia
藤黃葛



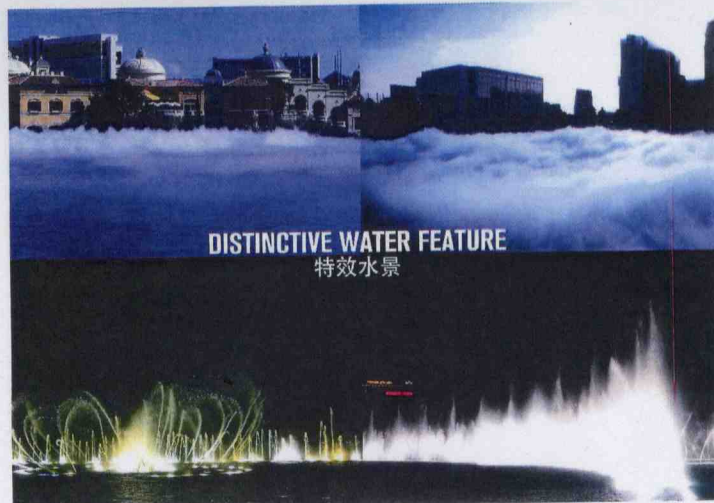
Bougainvillea glabra
藤黃葛

AVENUE OF STARS
星光大道



PRELIMINARY DESIGN STUDY
AVENUE OF THE STARS PROMENADE
星光大道海濱步徑

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DISTINCTIVE WATER FEATURE
特效水景

SALISBURY GARDEN 梳士巴利公園



PRELIMINARY DESIGN STUDY
SALISBURY GARDEN
遊客到達廣場

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PRELIMINARY DESIGN STUDY
CITY VIEW TERRACE
維港海濱平台

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PRELIMINARY DESIGN STUDY
EVENT LAWN
聚會草坪

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康樂及文化事務署

就「要求在樂群街公園加裝照明系統」

所作的書面回應

就委員提出在樂群街公園緩跑徑、深旺道及惠安街出入口位置加裝照明系統的建議，康樂及文化事務署(康文署)已於本年11月2日晚上在上述3個位置進行實地視察，發現公園內其中一段緩跑徑的燈光稍暗。康文署已經要求相關工程部門安排詳細燈光亮度測試，待測試完成後，康文署會向委員會匯報光度測試結果及有關改善工作的具體內容。

康樂及文化事務署

油尖旺區康樂事務辦事處

2012年11月

油尖旺地區設施管理委員會第 69 / 2012 號文件

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路政署
所作的書面回應

建議在洋松街休憩處對出46、70及12S - 專線小巴站加建上蓋

“路政署為工務部門，主要職能範圍是建造、保養及維修道路和道路設施。有關為專線小巴站加建上蓋屬於公共運輸管理事宜，並不是本署職能範圍。”