

**Pilot Scheme to Promote Green Tourism
in Northeast New Territories
(Construction of Kat O Piazza)**

Purpose

This paper seeks Members' views on the proposed design of the Kat O Piazza.

Background

2. The Tourism Commission (TC) and the Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) presented the preliminary conceptual layout of the Kat O Piazza to Members on 15 May 2006, and accompanied Members to a site visit to Kat O on 9 June 2006. Taking into account Members' views, the CEDD has worked out a proposed design at Annex.

Scope of Works

3. The proposed design will cover the following -
- (a) Provision of "pai lau" or stone plaques at the entrance to the Piazza;
 - (b) Paving the Piazza with wave-patterned blocks and the adjoining areas with gravels;

- (c) Provision of feature facilities in the open space at the waterfront of the Piazza. This may include employing stone carvings and display panels to introduce the history and culture of Kat O; and
- (d) Provision of a shelter and seating, and beautification of the areas under the trees.

4. The project cost is estimated to be \$2.5 million.

Works Schedule

5. The works will commence in early 2007 for completion by end 2007.

Advice Sought

6. Members are invited to comment on the proposed design of the Kat O Piazza.

Tourism Commission

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