

**Harbour-front Enhancement Committee
Sub-committee on Harbour Plan Review
on "Lei Yue Mun Waterfront Enhancement Project"**

PURPOSE

To brief Members on the Lei Yue Mun (LYM) Waterfront Enhancement Project. There will be a Power-Point presentation at the meeting.

BACKGROUND

2. LYM is conveniently situated near the urban area and has a rich heritage as a former fishing village. With its rustic setting and seafood cuisine, LYM is popular with both visitors and locals. In 2003, the Tourism Commission (TC) completed a series of minor improvement works in LYM, including renovation of the LYM Sitting-out Area, repaving of the footpath serving the seafood restaurants, construction of a "Pai Lau", and provision of a taxi stand and coach laybys.

3. To further enhance the attractiveness of LYM and respond to the aspirations of the local residents and business operators, TC plans to further improve the facilities along the LYM waterfront area.

CONCEPTUAL DESIGN

4. The key features of the conceptual design for the Project include:
- (a) constructing a public landing facility, a breakwater and a waterfront promenade to the east of the LYM Lighthouse to provide visitors with convenient access to the nearby seafood restaurants and feature attractions along the coast;
 - (b) constructing five ocean-themed lookout points along the LYM waterfront, each with its own characteristics. The proposed scope of works includes beautification of paving, greening works and provision of passive amenities and rain shelters at appropriate locations, and improvement of the existing viewing platform;
 - (c) landscaping the footpaths linking various lookout points and using featured paving as decoration to highlight the overall ocean theme; and
 - (d) constructing a carp-shaped viewing platform to serve as a landmark of LYM.

A conceptual plan on the project design is at **Annex**.

5. In drawing up the conceptual design, the works departments have conducted relevant environmental review, ecological and fisheries impact assessment and marine traffic impact assessment to ensure that the proposed works comply with various technical and environmental requirements. In addition, we have tried to minimize the number of squatters that may be affected so as to reduce the impact on the community. Affected residents who are eligible will be rehoused in accordance with government's rehousing policy. At the construction stage, we will formulate suitable mitigation measures to minimize the impact of the project works on the surrounding environment and inconvenience to the public.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

6. We submitted the project framework in May 2005 to the Kwun Tong District Council (KTDC) for comments. KTDC supported the proposal and selected the area east of the LYM Lighthouse as the site for the landing facility. Subsequently, we presented the conceptual design for the Project to the KTDC in May 2007 and May 2008, which expressed unanimous support on both occasions. Separately, we have consulted other relevant stakeholders, including green groups and fishermen, on the design and the scope of the Project. We also plan to arrange a consultation session for LYM residents in October 2008.

7. Subject to the views collected, the works departments will work out the detailed design for the Project, taking into account the Harbour Planning Principles and Guidelines issued by the Harbourfront Enhancement Committee. Upon completion of the relevant statutory procedures and subject to funding approval by the Legislative Council, we expect the works to commence in mid 2010 for phased completion starting from 2012.

ADVICE SOUGHT

8. Members are invited to note the scope of the Lei Yue Mun Waterfront Enhancement Project.

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Lookout point 5

Lookout point 4

Lookout point 3

Basketball court

Lookout point 1

Lookout point 2

