

NOTE FOR PUBLIC WORKS SUBCOMMITTEE OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Supplementary information on 285DS - Improvement of sewage treatment facilities at the sites of Correctional Services Department

INTRODUCTION

When Members considered PWSC(2000-01)66 on the above project on 22 November 2000, the Administration undertook to provide details on the plans for providing sewerage facilities to existing developments in the vicinity of the Ma Po Ping Prison and the Tong Fuk Centre.

THE ADMINISTRATION'S RESPONSE

2. The areas in question are currently unsewered. Sewage generated from the existing developments is treated by septic tanks constructed and operated by villagers. In February 1999, the Director of Environmental Protection commissioned a consultancy study on "Outlying Islands Sewerage Master Plan Stage 2 Review". One of the objectives of the study is to formulate a sewage treatment and disposal plan for south Lantau. The study covers, inter alia, the options of providing public sewer connections to the existing developments in the vicinity of the Ma Po Ping Prison and Tong Fuk Centre. The study will be completed in early 2001, at which time the Administration will consult the public on the various recommendations arising from the study. The proposed sewerage system for south Lantau is tentatively programmed for commencement in 2005 for completion in 2009. The proposed works for the Ma Po Ping Prison and Tong Fuk Centre, as set out in PWSC(2000-01)66, are for the installation of a standby power supply system and modification of internal sewerage. These improvement works are not related to and will not pre-empt the outcome of the above-mentioned consultancy study.

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