

**LegCo Members' meeting with
Kowloon City District Council Members
on 12 April 2001**

Issues raised at the meeting

At the captioned meeting, Kowloon City District Council (KCDC) members raised the following concern on in-situ rehousing arising from the redevelopment of old areas -

- (a) In the Administration's first consultation paper on SEKD, it was mentioned that 36.9 hectares of lands had been reserved for production of public housing. However, the lands initially reserved for the provision of Home Ownership Scheme (HOS) units were changed six months later into lands for private housing development. Similarly, the lands obtained from the recent clearance of Ho Kar Yuen and redevelopment of Hung Hom Estate would only be used for the provision of HOS units. It was also noted that land use for Hung Hom Bay would also be used for the provision of commercial and private buildings. All these reflected that the Administration had not put in place any plan to increase the production of public housing to provide in-situ rehousing for all the residents affected by redevelopment in the Kowloon City district;
- (b) The land from the clearance of Ho Man Tin Estate was the only site in Kowloon City district for providing in-situ rehousing. Following the in-situ rehousing of the residents affected by the clearance of Ho Man Tin Estate, only a small number of units would be left over for the same use for the residents in Kowloon City district. In addition, the lands at the former airport site for development of public housing were not specifically earmarked for Kowloon City district.

Therefore, KCDC members considered that the overall proportion of production of PRH units should be raised to facilitate in-situ rehousing for all residents affected by redevelopment in Kowloon City district; and

- (c) Among the 200 or so key programmes proposed by the Urban Renewal Authority, most of the them were in Kowloon City district. If the proportion of PRH units in the district was not raised at the planning stage, KCDC members feared that it would fail to meet the needs for in-situ rehousing of the residents in Kowloon District.