

NOTE FOR PUBLIC WORKS SUBCOMMITTEE OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Supplementary Information on 390RO – Local open space in Areas 25, 25A and 25B, Tin Shui Wai

INTRODUCTION

In considering PWSC(2005-06)10 on **390RO** “Local open space in Areas 25, 25A and 25B, Tin Shui Wai” at the Public Works Subcommittee meeting on 25 May 2005, Members requested the Administration to provide details of the temporary landscaping works undertaken in Areas 25, 25A and 25B, Tin Shui Wai, as well as the total costs, for the past five years.

THE ADMINISTRATION’S RESPONSE

2. In response to the request of the Yuen Long District Council, we developed in October 2001 a temporary sitting-out area (SOA) in Area 25, comprising footpaths, benches, arbours, turfing, water supply system and railings, at a cost of about \$589,000. Up to May 2005, the horticultural maintenance cost and other maintenance cost for this SOA are \$131,000 and \$31,000 respectively.

3. We carried out temporary greening works in Area 25B in September 2002 at a cost of about \$292,000. Up to May 2005, we have spent about \$17,000 on horticultural maintenance.

4. Area 25A is currently vacant and fenced off. We have not carried out any temporary landscaping works in the area in the past five years.

5. The temporary landscaping and greening works in Areas 25 and 25B are beneficial to the public. The SOA is well patronised by nearby residents and the greening works help to beautify the area. We believe that **390RO** would further enhance the general living environment and provide better leisure facilities to local residents.

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