

**Heritage and Tourism Development
at the Central Police Station Compound**

Referring to the letter from the Central and Western District Council, we have the following response:

We are aware of the views from various sectors of the community on the weighting for premium versus qualitative aspects of the assessment criteria for this Project. We will consider these views with an open mind, and hope to find a weighting that is acceptable to most of the people.

On tender assessment, an Assessment Panel comprising representatives from relevant bureaux and departments including the Home Affairs Bureau, the Antiquities and Monuments Office, the Tourism Commission, the Architectural Services Department, the Planning Department and the Transport Department will be set up. In response to the request of the Central and Western District Council, District Officer/ Central & Western has also been invited to join the Assessment Panel so that he can reflect the views of the local community during the assessment process and act as an effective channel between the Project and the District Council. This is a highly representative panel that can take into account various concerns, including those on heritage conservation, traffic and environmental consideration and community benefits, into consideration. Such an arrangement has already struck a balance among the needs for public participation, ensuring the fairness of the tendering system and avoiding conflict of interest.

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