Hong Kong Housing Society's Role in Providing "Housing with Care" for the Senior Citizens in Hong Kong

1. Update on Hong Kong Housing Society's Provision of Elderly Housing and Related Services

- 1.1 The Hong Kong Housing Society (HS) has been providing rental housing units to serve the lower income elderly since 1970s. So far, there are 919 completed units with warden services in 9 different estates across the territory. (**Appendix I**)
- 1.2 HS also implemented an innovative Senior Citizen Residence (SEN) Scheme on the two sites granted by Government at nominal land premium. The 2 pilot projects, Jolly Place in Tseung Kwan O and Cheerful Court in Jordan Valley, were completed in 2003 and 2004 respectively, providing a total of 576 units. The SEN projects are purposely designed for middle income elderly people to enjoy "aging in place" in a user-pay principle. These projects are provided with comprehensive recreation, care and medical facilities. Applicants for the SEN pilot projects are subject to eligibility criteria including means test. They have to pay a lump sum "Entry Contribution" in return for a long term rent free occupation right. Currently, the two projects are fully occupied and there are over150 applicants on the waiting queue.
- 1.3 In line with our objective to promote "aging in place" for the community, the HS set up the Elderly Resources Center (ERC) in 2005. The Centre is situated in Prosperous Garden in Yaumatei. Through education, assessments, consultations and researches, the ERC seeks to raise the awareness of the elderly of the potential hazards at home so as to reduce home accidents.
- 1.4 In January 2008, HS launched the elderly website (<u>www.HKHSelderly.com</u>) for providing one-stop information service guide for the elderly, caregivers, and the general public.
- 1.5 Apart from providing flats, HS also provide financial assistance to the elderly owners of private flats to upkeep their accommodation under our Building Management and Maintenance Scheme commenced since 2005.

2. Projects Under Planning

- 2.1 A SEN Project on Hong Kong Island.
- 2.2 Possibilities of providing private flats and elderly units with a service hub in the same development, which could also serve the neighbourhood, are being explored at Urban Renewal Sites in Shaukeiwan and Shamshuipo.

Elderly Housing Provided by Hong Kong Housing Society 香港房屋協會提供的長者住屋

}	長者住屋 Elderly Housing	單位數目 No. of Flat	落成年份 Year of Completion
1.	Lok Man Sun Chuen 樂民新村	10	1970
2.	Cho Yiu Chuen (Chung Ling Sheh) 祖堯邨(松齡舍)	130	1976
3.	Jat Min Chuen 乙明邨	100	1981
4.	Ka Wai Chuen 家維邨	134	1984
5.	Kwun Tong Garden Estate Lotus Tower 觀塘花園大廈玉蓮台	117	1987
6.	Clague Garden Estate (Chung Ming Sheh) 祈德尊新邨(松明舍)	77	1989
7.	Prosperous Garden 駿發花園	163	1991
8.	Healthy Village Phase I Redevelopment 健康村第一期重建	89	1993
9.	Bo Shek Mansion 寶石大廈	99	1996
	Sub-Total 合計	919	
長者安居樂住屋計劃 Senior Citizen Residences Scheme			
1.	Jolly Place 樂頤居	243	2003
2.	Cheerful Court 彩頤居	333	2004
	Sub-Total 合計	576	