

**Public Works Subcommittee
Meeting on 20 January 2010**

**List of issues requiring follow-up actions by the Administration
before the relevant meeting of the Finance Committee**

Item PWSC(2009-10)85

**54RG – Town Park, Indoor Velodrome-cum-Sports Centre
in Area 45, Tseung Kwan O**

Further to discussion of this item at the PWSC Meeting on 20 January 2010, the Administration has been requested to address members' concerns as follows:

Issue (a) consider providing cycling track(s) at the periphery of and within the town park for public enjoyment of the park facilities and for enhancing accessibility of the park by cyclists.

Response At present, there is already a cycle track at the outer periphery of the proposed town park that connects with the residential developments in the vicinity such as Kwong Ming Court, Beverly Garden, Tseung Kwan O Plaza, Residence Oasis, Nan Fung Plaza, On Ning Garden and Chung Ming Court. A map showing the location of the cycle track is at **Enclosure 1**. To provide an additional cycle track inside the proposed town park would reduce the area available for providing other facilities. With the existing provision of 76 cycle parking spaces on the south-eastern side of the proposed park (near the future entrance of the velodrome) and the planned provision of another 60 cycle parking spaces at the north-western side of the park (near the existing pedestrian subway), we believe cyclists would have ready and convenient access to the proposed town park.

Issue (b) consider enhancing the appeal of the town park by displaying sculptures and artworks, preferably with a central theme, at appropriate points with a view to attracting more visitors.

Response The Administration has consulted the Arts Promotion Working Group of the Sai Kung District Council on this suggestion in September 2009. We will include suitable sculptures and artworks, preferably with a central theme, in the project for display at appropriate points with a view

to enhancing the appeal of the proposed town park and attracting more visitors.

Issue (c) consider Hon Albert CHAN's request that a simpler design for the soft landscaping works should be adopted for the proposed town park, in particular avoiding multi-layered greening under tall trees or structures.

Response We will refine the detailed design of soft landscaping work for the town park as appropriate.

(d) provide information on

Issue (i) the extent to which the proposed indoor velodrome-cum-sports centre, including the multi-purpose area in the centre of the cycling track, would be made available for public bookings vis-à-vis top-level cycling training/international competitions.

Response Our intention is that the opening hours of the proposed indoor velodrome-cum-sports centre would be from 0700 to 2300 hours following the same arrangements adopted for other sports centres under LCSD's management. Under the proposed design, the cycling track and the infield multi-purpose area at the velodrome-cum-sports centre would be separated by net partitions so that ball sports would not interfere with cycling – although for international cycling events both the cycling track and the infield multi-purpose area would likely be occupied during the event periods. Such an arrangement would allow us to maximise the use of the cycle track and the infield multi-purpose area.

The booking arrangements for the infield multi-purpose area by the public would be similar to those adopted for other LCSD sports centres. Booking applications would be handled in accordance with LCSD booking procedures.

We envisage that cycling training for elite athletes would normally be conducted six days a week (Monday to Saturday) from 0900 to 1700 hours on the indoor cycling track and on the road. As explained above, when the cycle track is being used for athlete training, the infield multi-purpose area

will still be available for public use. As well as making the cycle track available for training for elite athletes, LCSD will work with the Hong Kong Cycling Association (HKCA) to launch training schemes to help members of the public acquire the necessary skills to practice indoor cycling and facilitate those who possess the skills to use the track. The above arrangements would enable the general public to use the track for leisure, practice or training purposes. As advised by HKCA, it is expected that one or two international cycling events would be held at the venue annually. As the duration of each event is likely to be less than a week, we expect that the venue would be used by international cycling events for two weeks each year, thus leaving ample time for the track and infield area to be used by the public or for other purposes.

Issue (ii) the material(s), including details on reflectivity and colour, to be used for the façade of the indoor velodrome-cum-sports centre to facilitate the assessment of its light impact.

Response We will carefully consider the colour and reflectivity of the aluminium cladding for the external wall and roof of the velodrome when selecting materials. Grey aluminium cladding of low reflectivity similar to that installed at the adjoining Tseung Kwan O Sports Ground will be used to avoid causing nuisance to the nearby residents.

Issue (iii) the road crossing facilities for pedestrians accessing the proposed project site by indicating on the layout plan.

Response The layout plan is attached at **Enclosure 1**.



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將軍澳第45區市鎮公園，
室內單車場及體育館
TOWN PARK, INDOOR
VELODROME-CUM-SPORTS CENTRE
IN AREA 45, TSEUNG KWAN O

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