## **LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL BRIEF**

## PUBLIC HEALTH AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES DESIGNATION OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

## INTRODUCTION

The Director of Leisure and Cultural Services, in her capacity as the Authority ("Authority") under the Public Health and Municipal Services Ordinance Cap.132 ("the Ordinance"), manages and controls the libraries listed in the Schedule to the Designation of Libraries Order (Cap. 132 sub. leg.O). Under Section 105K of the Ordinance, the Authority may, by order published in the Gazette, designate any building, or part of a building, as a library.

2. We propose to amend the Schedule to the Designation of Libraries Order (Cap. 132 sub. leg.O) by adding

"70. Parts of the ground and mezzanine floors of Siu Sai Wan Complex, 15 Siu Sai Wan Road, Chai Wan, shown in green on the floor plans numbered AB/5744/GP121 and AB/5744/GP122, signed by the Director of Leisure and Cultural Services on 21 April 2011 and deposited in the Hong Kong Central Library.".

## JUSTIFICATIONS

3. The proposal to designate the new premises as library will enable the Authority to enforce the regulations relating to this public library for proper management. The library will be open for public use with effect from 27 June 2011.

# AMENDMENT OF SCHEDULE TO THE DESIGNATION OF LIBRARIES ORDER (Cap. 132 sub. leg. O)

4. The Order at <u>Annex A</u> amends the Schedule to the Designation of Libraries Order to add the new premises for use as a public library.

## **LEGISLATIVE TIMETABLE**

5. The legislative timetable is as follows –

Publication in the Gazette	27 May 2011
Tabling at the Legislative Council	1 June 2011
for negative vetting	

## PUBLIC CONSULTATION AND PUBLICITY

6. We have consulted the Eastern District Council which supports the proposal. The addition of the public library to the Schedule of the Ordinance will be published in the Gazette.

## **ENQUIRY**

7. Please contact Mr YM LEE, Assistant Director (Libraries & Development), at 2601 8945 for enquiries on this subject.

## Leisure and Cultural Services Department

24 May 2011

Section 1

#### **Designation of Libraries Order 2011**

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(Made by the Director of Leisure and Cultural Services under section 105K of the Public Health and Municipal Services Ordinance (Cap. 132))

#### 1. Commencement

This Order comes into operation on 27 June 2011.

#### 2. Designation of library

Parts of the ground and mezzanine floors of Siu Sai Wan Complex, 15 Siu Sai Wan Road, Chai Wan, shown in green on the floor plans numbered AB/5744/GP121 and AB/5744/GP122, signed by the Director of Leisure and Cultural Services on 21 April 2011 and deposited in the Hong Kong Central Library are designated as a library.

#### 3. Designation of Libraries Order amended

The Designation of Libraries Order (Cap. 132 sub. leg. O) is amended as set out in section 4.

#### 4. Schedule amended

The Schedule, after item 69—

Add

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Designation of Libraries Order 2011

#### Annex A

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Director of Leisure and Cultural Services

20/8/ 2011

Explanatory Note Paragraph 1

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#### **Explanatory** Note

This Order designates parts of the ground and mezzanine floors of Siu Sai Wan Complex, 15 Siu Sai Wan Road, Chai Wan as a library. As a result, the management and control of that library is vested in the Director of Leisure and Cultural Services. The Director may also exercise other statutory functions under the Public Health and Municipal Services Ordinance (Cap. 132) in respect of that library.