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Clerk to Public Works Subcommittee Legislative Council Secretariat Legislative Council Complex 1 Legislative Council Road Central, Hong Kong (Attn.: Ms Sharon CHUNG)

Dear Ms CHUNG,

**Public Works Subcommittee** Meeting held on 30 June 2015 **Supplementary Information** 

On 30 June 2015, the Public Works Subcommittee (PWSC) recommended 351EP be submitted to the Finance Committee (FC) for consideration. requested that the following supplementary information be provided –

In accordance with the Traffic Impact Assessment Report approved by the Transport Department, 12 private car / taxi lay-bys have to be provided within the internal road to cater for the needs of the three schools (including Pun U Association Wah Yan Primary School, North Point Methodist School and the adjacent Chinese Methodist School, Tanner Hill). Besides, for operational reasons, each of the two new schools will be provided with four school coach parking spaces (including one temporary school coach parking space). Relocation of school coach parking spaces to the internal road will necessitate deletion of all the private car/taxi lay-bys or drastic reduction of the number of private car/taxi lay-bys. This would lead to private cars/taxis and school coaches queuing within the internal road and on Pak Fuk Road, thereby causing traffic congestion on Pak Fuk Road.

According to the requirements of Reg. 41D of the Building (Planning) Regulations (Cap. 123F) and Clause D22.2 of the Code of Practice for Fire Safety in Buildings 2011, the emergency vehicular access (EVA) shall be able to reach at least 25% (one-fourth) of the building frontage for fire fighting. Since the two schools will be at different locations, it is not practicable to combine the EVAs for the two schools. Otherwise, the above safety-related regulations and code of practice would be violated and fire safety would be affected.

The facilities of the two new premises will be provided in accordance with the Schedule of Accommodation (SoA) for a standard 24-classroom primary school. When designing the school premises, apart from following the SoA for a standard 24-classroom primary school, the Architectural Services Department (ArchSD) together with its professional consultant have also consulted the two schools. Having regard to their views, the school design has been adjusted to suit the teaching requirements and needs for sustainable development of the two schools as far as possible, and to ensure that the premises will provide a suitable and safe learning environment. Upon completion of works, the new school premises will provide 2.925 square metres (m²) and 2.876 m² of open space per student for the Pun U Association Wah Yan Primary School and North Point Methodist Primary School respectively, thus meeting the planning target of providing two square metres of open space per student. ArchSD will in conjunction with the Education Bureau continue to liaise with the two schools to explore ways to enhance the school design with a view to increasing activity spaces for the students.

Yours sincerely,

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Director of Architectural Services (Attn.: Mrs. Alice CHING)