

**For discussion
on 11 May 2015**

Legislative Council Panel on Education

351EP – Two 24-classroom primary schools at ex-Tanner Road Police Married Quarters site at Pak Fuk Road, North Point, Hong Kong

PURPOSE

We need to construct two primary schools at Pak Fuk Road, North Point for converting two bi-sessional primary schools, namely Pun U Association Wah Yan Primary School (PUWYPS) and North Point Methodist Primary School (NPMPS), into whole-day primary schooling. This paper briefs Members on the proposed capital works project and timeline.

PROJECT SCOPE AND NATURE

2. The project scope includes the construction of two 24-classroom primary schools and a common area at the total estimated cost of about \$660 million in money-of-the-day (MOD) prices. It is calculated having regard to the reference cost¹ of a 24-classroom public sector primary school of standard design and the cost for site-specific works². The proposed scope of works of each school includes -

- (a) 24 classrooms;
- (b) six special rooms including a music room, a visual arts room, a general studies room, a multi-purpose room, a computer assisted learning room and a language room;
- (c) four small group teaching rooms;
- (d) a guidance activity room;
- (e) two interview rooms;
- (f) a staff room and a staff common room;
- (g) a student activity centre;

¹ The reference cost is based on an uncomplicated site with no unusual environmental or geotechnical constraints.

² Site-specific works include additional energy conservation measures and noise mitigation measures.

- (h) a conference room;
- (i) a library;
- (j) an assembly hall;
- (k) multi-purpose areas;
- (l) one basketball court (on ground level); and
- (m) ancillary facilities including a disabled/fireman's lift, facilities for the disabled, a tuck shop-cum-central portioning area, stores and toilets.

A common area within the project site including an internal road and landscaped areas will also be covered in the scope of works.

3. The proposed new school premises located at Pak Fuk Road, North Point with a site area of about 12 300 square metres (m²)³ will meet the planning target of providing two square metres of open space per student. A site plan and an artist's impression of the new school premises are at Enclosures 1 and 2.

JUSTIFICATION

4. It is the Government's policy to implement whole-day schooling for all primary school students studying at public sector primary schools. PUWYPS, located at Stubbs Road in Wan Chai, and NPMPS, situated at Cheung Hong Street in North Point, currently operate bi-sessional a.m. and p.m. classes at two 12-classroom premises respectively. Constructed respectively almost 51 and 55 years ago, the site areas of the two schools are only 1 880 m² and 1 040 m² respectively. There is insufficient space to accommodate all students after combining the existing bi-sessional a.m. and p.m. classes. EDB has to construct new premises for these two public sector primary schools for their conversion to whole-day operation and to take the opportunity to improve their substandard facilities so as to provide their students with a quality learning environment.

5. Upon completion of the capital works project, PUWYPS and

³ It includes about 9 000 m² for the two schools and about 3 300 m² for the common area.

NPMPS, which are now operating 12 bi-sessional a.m. and p.m classes in Wan Chai and North Point respectively, will move to the two new premises each with 24 classrooms in North Point.

6. Both PUWYPS and NPMPS are Government-aided primary schools. After relocating to the new school premises, the school net of PUWYPS will change from School Net No. 12 (Wan Chai District) to School Net No. 14 (Eastern District). The school net of NPMPS will remain unchanged (i.e. School Net No. 14 (Eastern District)). Moreover, in view of the change of demarcation of district boundary between Wan Chai and Eastern Districts from 1 January 2016 onwards, the existing school net of North Point Government Primary School (Cloud View Road), which is currently School Net No. 14 (Eastern District), will also change from No. 14 (Eastern District) to No. 12 (Wan Chai District). Therefore, the relocation of PUWYPS to the new school premises in Eastern District will not cause significant change to the overall supply of primary school places in the two school nets.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

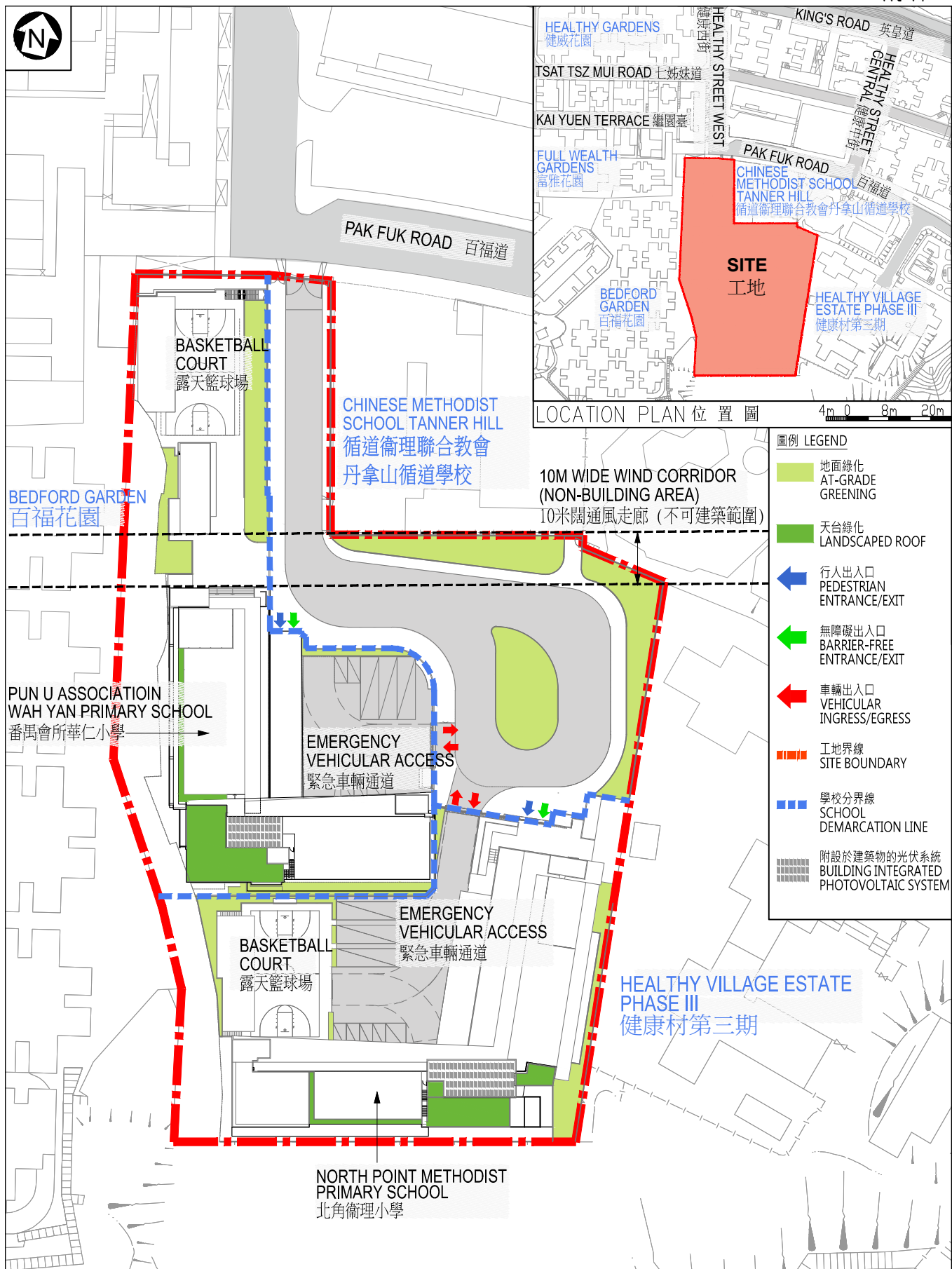
7. We plan to seek the endorsement and funding approval of the Public Works Subcommittee and the Finance Committee (FC) of the Legislative Council (LegCo) for the proposed school building project in June and July 2015 respectively. Subject to funding approval of the FC, we plan to commence the construction works in the fourth quarter of 2015 for completion in the first quarter of 2018.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

8. We consulted the LegCo Panel on Education on 9 June 2014 on our programme on redevelopment and reprovisioning of existing mainstream primary and secondary schools as well as special schools. The Panel noted our plan to seek funding approval for school projects including **351EP** for converting existing bi-sessional PUWYPS and NPMPS to whole-day primary schooling.

9. We consulted the Planning, Works and Housing Committee of the Eastern District Council on 12 February 2015 and 16 April 2015 on this project. Members indicated in-principle support for the project. The parent-teacher associations of the two schools also expressed support for the project.

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