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Panel on Development and Panel on Home Affairs

**Joint Subcommittee to monitor the implementation of
the West Kowloon Cultural District Project**

**Minutes of meeting held on
Tuesday, 21 November 2017, at 8:30 am
in Conference Room 3 of the Legislative Council Complex**

Members present : Hon LAU Kwok-fan, MH (Chairman)
Hon Tanya CHAN (Deputy Chairman)
Hon Claudia MO
Hon Steven HO Chun-yin, BBS
Hon Frankie YICK Chi-ming, SBS, JP
Hon YIU Si-wing, BBS
Hon MA Fung-kwok, SBS, JP
Hon CHAN Chi-chuen
Hon CHU Hoi-dick
Hon Jimmy NG Wing-ka, JP
Dr Hon Junius HO Kwan-yiu, JP
Hon Wilson OR Chong-shing, MH

Member attending : Hon Paul TSE Wai-chun, JP

Members absent : Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, GBS, JP
Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG Mei-fun, SBS, JP
Dr Hon Helena WONG Pik-wan
Hon Holden CHOW Ho-ding
Hon CHEUNG Kwok-kwan, JP

**Public officers
attending**

: Agenda items IV and V

Mrs Betty FUNG CHING Suk-ye, JP
Permanent Secretary for Home Affairs

Mrs Sorais LEE KWAN Siu-kuen, JP
Project Manager (Home Affairs Bureau)

Agenda item IV

Mr Anthony LO Kam-yan
Deputy Project Manager (Kowloon)
Civil Engineering and Development Department

Mr Ringo MOK Wing-cheong
Chief Engineer/Kowloon 5
Civil Engineering and Development Department

Agenda item V

Mrs Angelina CHEUNG FUNG Wing-ping, JP
Deputy Secretary for Home Affairs (2)

Mr Eric CHENG Siu-fun
Principal Assistant Secretary for Home Affairs
(West Kowloon Cultural District)

**Attendance by
invitation**

: Agenda items IV and V

Mr Duncan PESCOD, GBS, JP
Chief Executive Officer
West Kowloon Cultural District Authority

Mr Jeremy STOWE
Director, Project Control
West Kowloon Cultural District Authority

Agenda item V

Dr William CHAN
Chief Operating Officer
West Kowloon Cultural District Authority

Dr Rocco YIM, BBS, JP
Executive Director
Rocco Design Architects Limited

Clerk in attendance : Ms Doris LO
Chief Council Secretary (1)2

Staff in attendance : Ms Mandy LI
Council Secretary (1)2

Ms Christina SHIU
Legislative Assistant (1)2

Miss Joey LAW
Clerical Assistant (1)2

Action

I Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman (if necessary)

Members agreed that there was no need to re-elect the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Joint Subcommittee for the 2017-2018 legislative session. Mr LAU Kwok-fan and Ms Tanya CHAN agreed to continue to serve as the Chairman and Deputy Chairman respectively.

II Application for late membership

(LC Paper No. CB(1)220/17-18(01) — Letter dated 16 November 2017 from Hon Jimmy NG Wing-ka)(Chinese version only)

2. The Chairman sought members' views on Mr Jimmy NG's application for late membership of the Joint Subcommittee. The Joint Subcommittee decided that Mr NG's application should be accepted.

III Schedule of meetings for the 2017-2018 session and items for discussion

(LC Paper No. CB(1)215/17-18(01) — List of items for discussion proposed by the Administration)

Schedule of meetings

3. Members agreed with the proposed schedule of meetings for the 2017-2018 legislative session tabled at the meeting.

(Post-meeting note: The schedule of meetings of the Joint Subcommittee for the 2017-2018 legislative session was circulated to members vide LC Paper No. CB(1)245/17-18 on 22 November 2017.)

Items for discussion at the next meeting

4. Members agreed to discuss the following items at the next meeting of the Joint Subcommittee to be held on Tuesday, 19 December 2017, from 10:45 am to 12:45 pm:

- (a) Cultural software development for the West Kowloon Cultural District ("WKCD"); and
- (b) Update on the development of the Art Park and Freespace.

(Post-meeting note: On the instruction of the Chairman, the meeting originally scheduled for 19 December 2017 had been re-scheduled to Wednesday, 20 December 2017, from 8:30 am to 10:30 am. Members were informed of the re-scheduling of the said meeting vide LC Paper No. CB(1)278/17-18 on 27 November 2017.)

Suggestions on discussion items for future meetings

5. Members noted the list of items proposed by the Administration for discussion by the Joint Subcommittee in the 2017-2018 legislative session (LC Paper No. CB(1)215/17-18(01)).

6. The Deputy Chairman requested advancing the discussion on the financial situation of and the enhanced financial arrangement for WKCD to the meeting to be held in December 2017.

7. Permanent Secretary for Home Affairs advised that the Administration had planned to update the Joint Subcommittee on the subject concerned at the meeting in February 2018 taking into account the time required for compiling the relevant document. At the said meeting, the Board Chairman of the WKCD Authority ("WKCDA") would update members on the latest position.

Site visit to the West Kowloon Cultural District

8. The Chairman advised that at the invitation of WKCDA, the Joint Subcommittee would conduct a site visit to WKCD to enable members to better understand the latest development of the WKCD project. Members would be informed of the relevant arrangements in due course.

(Post-meeting note: The site visit to WKCD had been scheduled for 21 December 2017. Members were invited vide LC Paper No. CB(1)299/17-18 issued on 29 November 2017 to join the site visit.)

IV Implementation of infrastructure works for West Kowloon Cultural District, Phase 1 — Second Construction Package

(LC Paper No. CB(1)215/17-18(02) — Administration's paper on implementation of the infrastructure works for the West Kowloon Cultural District, Phase 1 — Second Construction Package

LC Paper No. CB(1)215/17-18(03) — Paper on the implementation of public infrastructure works for the West Kowloon Cultural District prepared by the Legislative Council Secretariat (Updated background brief))

9. The Chairman reminded members that in accordance with Rule 83A of Rules of Procedure of the Legislative Council, they should disclose the nature of any direct or indirect pecuniary interests relating to the subjects under discussion at the meeting before they spoke on the subjects.

10. Mr MA Fung-kwok declared that he was a member of the Board of WKCDA.

11. The Joint Subcommittee deliberated (index of proceedings attached at **Annex**).

12. Concluding the discussion, the Chairman called on the Administration to take heed of members' views on this funding proposal.

V Update on the development of Hong Kong Palace Museum and other hardware development of the West Kowloon Cultural District

(LC Paper No. CB(1)215/17-18(04) — Administration's paper on update on the Development of Hong Kong Palace Museum and other hardware development of the West Kowloon Cultural District

LC Paper No. CB(1)215/17-18(05) — Paper on the Hong Kong Palace Museum project prepared by the Legislative Council Secretariat (Updated background brief))

13. The Joint Subcommittee deliberated (index of proceedings attached at **Annex**).

VI Any other business

14. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 10:42 am.

Panel on Development and Panel on Home Affairs

**Proceedings of meeting of the Joint Subcommittee to Monitor
the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project
held on Tuesday, 21 November 2017, at 8:30 am
in Conference Room 3 of the Legislative Council Complex**

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Agenda Item I – Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman (if necessary)			
000602-000632	Chairman	Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman	
Agenda Item II – Application for late membership			
000633-000705	Chairman	Mr Jimmy NG's application for late membership was accepted.	
Agenda Item III – Schedule of meetings for the 2017-2018 session and items for discussion			
000706-001020	Chairman Deputy Chairman	Deliberations on the proposed schedule of meetings and items for discussion in the 2017-2018 session Proposal for conducting a site visit to the West Kowloon Cultural District ("WKCD")	
Agenda Item IV – Implementation of infrastructure works for West Kowloon Cultural District, Phase 1 — Second Construction Package			
001021-002642	Chairman Administration	Briefing by the Administration on the funding proposal to upgrade part of 754CL "Infrastructure Works for West Kowloon Cultural District, Phase 1" to Category A. The proposed works would comprise: (a) the Austin Road Pedestrian Linkage System linking WKCD with Mass Transit Railway ("MTR") Austin Station ("the proposed pedestrian link"); (b) beautification works for the existing pedestrian subway across the junction of Austin Road West and Canton Road; and (c) ancillary works to (a) and (b) above. [LC Paper Nos. CB(1)215/17-18(02) and CB(1)239/17-18(01)] The Administration advised that it was reviewing the Artist Square Bridge ("ASB") project with the WKCD Authority ("WKCDA"), and it planned to brief the Joint Subcommittee on the latest development of the ASB project in April 2018.	
002643-002906	Chairman Mr MA Fung-kwok Administration	Declaration of interest by Mr MA Mr MA asked whether WKCDA would share the responsibilities and costs of the daily management and	

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		<p>repair and maintenance of the proposed pedestrian link and the existing pedestrian subway.</p> <p>The Administration advised that WKCDA and the MTR Corporation Limited ("MTRCL") had agreed to be jointly responsible for the management, operation and maintenance of the proposed pedestrian link and share the relevant costs; whereas the Administration would be responsible for the management and maintenance work of the existing pedestrian subway, including the proposed beautification works.</p>	
002907-003443	Chairman Deputy Chairman Administration	<p>The Deputy Chairman enquired about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the gradient of the ramp of the proposed pedestrian link; (b) whether the proposed pedestrian link would be open for public access 24 hours a day; if not, whether there would be any other facilities for pedestrian access to WKCD beyond the opening hours of the proposed pedestrian link; and (c) the respective proportion of the cost of the proposed pedestrian link and that of the beautification works for the existing pedestrian subway in the total estimated cost of the capital works project. <p>The Administration responded that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the design of the ramp of the proposed pedestrian link would follow the relevant standards under "Design Manual: Barrier Free Access 2008" issued by the Buildings Department and its gradient would not exceed 1 in 12; (b) the opening hours of the proposed pedestrian link would tally with those of MTR Austin Station (i.e. 5:47 a.m. to 12:56 midnight). Pedestrians could still use the existing pedestrian subway which would be open for public use 24 hours a day when the proposed pedestrian link was closed; and (c) the proportion of the orders of cost of the proposed pedestrian link and that of the beautification works for the existing pedestrian subway would be about 3:1 in the total estimated cost, a breakdown of which would be given in the funding proposal to be submitted to the Public Works Subcommittee ("PWSC"). 	

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003444-003944	Chairman Mr CHAN Chi-chuen Administration	<p>Mr CHAN asked about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the expected time for submitting the revised funding proposal for the proposed ASB and the implementation timetable for its construction; and (b) details of the in-house management cost to be payable to WKCD for the entrusted works and the reimbursement cost for MTRCL. <p>The Administration responded that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the Administration and WKCD would brief the Joint Subcommittee on the integration and connectivity of WKCD with its neighbouring district, which would cover the latest development of the proposed ASB, at the meeting to be held in April 2018. It was expected that implementation of the proposed ASB could tie in with that of the Artist Square Development Area scheduled for completion in around 2022; (b) the in-house management cost at \$3 million (in money-of-the-day ("MOD") prices) payable to WKCD would cover the services stipulated in the entrustment agreement, including but not limited to management of construction contracts for the entrusted works, management of consultancy services for contract administration and site supervision, etc.; and (c) given that MTRCL would be responsible for the necessary modification of the system-wide facilities for the proposed pedestrian link, it would be reimbursed for the cost incurred for the construction, contract administration and site supervision of the relevant works which involved among others, the necessary modifications to the existing monitoring and controlling systems of MTR Austin Station. 	
003945-004310	Chairman Administration	<p>The Chairman asked about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) whether WKCD and/or MTRCL would be held accountable for any cost overrun and project delay; (b) whether the design of the proposed pedestrian link would match with the features of WKCD and Xiqu Centre; and 	

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		<p>(c) whether WKCDA would be charged for using spaces of the proposed pedestrian link for publicity purposes.</p> <p>The Administration advised that:</p> <p>(a) while it was estimated that the project cost could be kept within the budget, the project cost would also include a sum for contingencies. The Administration did not expect an overrun on the project cost;</p> <p>(b) a simple design would be adopted for the proposed pedestrian link and the design would blend in well with the overall ambience of WKCD. Moreover, some flexible installations, e.g. decorative cladding panels, would be used to provide opportunity for promoting programmes and events of WKCDA; and</p> <p>(c) WKCDA would separately liaise with MTRCL on the arrangement for putting up advertisements inside the proposed pedestrian link.</p>	
004311-005215	Chairman Deputy Chairman Administration WKCDA	<p>The Deputy Chairman was concerned if an in-house management cost would similarly be required for all other projects entrusted to WKCDA. She asked how the relevant cost was/would be worked out and set at a reasonable level.</p> <p>The Administration responded that:</p> <p>(a) in principle, an in-house management cost was necessary for every government-funded project entrusted to WKCDA to cover their in-house resources involved; an exception was the previous works for the integrated basement entrusted to WKCDA, where no on-cost payment was made;</p> <p>(b) in view of the high degree of integration with Xiqu Centre leading to interface problems, the Government considered it necessary and cost-effective to entrust to WKCDA the construction of the proposed pedestrian link for implementation in conjunction with the construction of Xiqu Centre;</p> <p>(c) WKCDA was proposed to be reimbursed for its in-house management cost incurred subject to a</p>	

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		<p>capped at \$3 million (in MOD prices), being about 2% of the total estimated cost of the project, mainly based on the estimated resources to be deployed for the relevant entrustment works. WKCDA would need to provide advice and services on project management, quantity surveying, accounting, personnel, legal and other matters. As estimated by WKCDA, the internal staffing resources to be deployed would be equivalent to only about one full-time professional staff headcount. The Administration considered that the estimated in-house management cost for the proposed entrustment works was reasonable.</p> <p>WKCDA supplemented that the Authority had a small core team to handle a number of entrusted projects. WKCDA's in-house management cost would cover procurement of construction contracts for the entrusted works, procurement of consultancy services for contract administration and site supervision including employment and management of resident site staff, management and supervision of contractors and consultants, other services, etc.</p> <p>The Deputy Chairman requested that WKCDA should provide a breakdown of its in-house staff resources for undertaking the project management of the proposed entrustment works in the submission to PWSC on the funding proposal.</p>	
005216-005446	<p>Chairman Mr CHAN Chi-chuen Administration WKCDA</p>	<p>Mr CHAN asked about:</p> <p>(a) whether the existing pedestrian subway was managed by the Highways Department; and</p> <p>(b) the existing regulation over street performances; and whether the Administration would consider exercising a larger degree of flexibility in respect of the street performances taking place inside the existing pedestrian subway.</p> <p>The Administration responded that the existing pedestrian subway was maintained by the Highways Department. Street performers should abide by the law in the same way as the public at large. In general, activities conducted in public places should not cause noise nuisance, nuisance, annoyance or obstruction to people. Given the high pedestrian flow of the existing pedestrian subway, the Administration did not expect many street performers to stay there for performances.</p>	

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		WKCD A advised that the Authority positively encouraged street entertainment to take place within the district.	
005447-005820	Chairman Deputy Chairman Administration WKCD A	<p>The Deputy Chairman enquired about:</p> <p>(a) the duration of carrying out the proposed beautification works and whether the subway would be closed during the works period; and</p> <p>(b) whether there would be any permit or audition requirement for staging street performances within WKCD.</p> <p>The Administration expected that the existing pedestrian subway would not be closed during the construction period, except for the relevant part of the subway when removal of existing subway cover was being carried out.</p> <p>WKCD A explained that to encourage street performance in the district, the Authority had introduced a Street Performance Scheme, under which about 350 and 180 performers had registered in the first and second years respectively after its introduction. Applicants to the Scheme would be required to do a live demonstration of their performances.</p>	
Agenda Item V – Update on the development of Hong Kong Palace Museum and other hardware development of the West Kowloon Cultural District			
005821-012520	Chairman Administration WKCD A Executive Director, Rocco Design Architects Limited ("ED/RDA")	<p>Briefing by the Administration, WKCD A and ED/RDA [LC Paper Nos. CB(1)215/17-18(04) and CB(1)239/17-18(02)]</p> <p>The Administration advised that WKCD A had signed a Collaborative Agreement on the development of Hong Kong Palace Museum ("HKPM") on 29 June 2017. WKCD A was now taking the HKPM project to the next stage of development including establishing the HKPM Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary company of WKCD A, setting up the HKPM Board and building a professional team to support the planning and operation of HKPM.</p>	
012521-012950	Chairman Ms Claudia MO Administration	Ms MO was disappointed that the then Chief Secretary for Administration cum Chairman of the Board of WKCD A had approved the direct appointment of Mr Rocco YIM of RDA to be the	

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		<p>design consultant for the HKPM project, without going through any open tender exercise. She was concerned about the political implication associated with the development of HKPM. She asked about the arrangements for making nominations for the Board of the HKPM Limited. She also urged the Administration to confirm that the implementation of the HKPM project would not involve public funding.</p> <p>The Administration explained that:</p> <p>(a) the Secretary for Home Affairs had nominated two members, i.e. Permanent Secretary for Home Affairs (who was currently an alternate member of the Board of WKCDA) and Director of Leisure and Cultural Services to join the Board of the HKPM Limited;</p> <p>(b) the Palace Museum in Beijing would provide collections to HKPM for display in its galleries on a long-term basis as well as expert advice and assistance where necessary, but would not be involved in the day-to-day operation and management of HKPM; and</p> <p>(c) since the Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust had agreed to donate \$3.5 billion to fund the capital cost of the HKPM project, the project would not incur public funds.</p>	
012951-013417	Chairman Deputy Chairman ED/RDA WKCDA	<p>The Deputy Chairman sought details of the proposed visitors' route of HKPM, including whether visitors reaching the thematic exhibition gallery on the fourth floor had to follow the proposed route to the third floor or could exit on the fourth floor right away.</p> <p>ED/RDA and WKCDA advised that while a recommended visiting route would be available, flexibility would be allowed to accommodate different exhibitions, themes and visitor flow, etc. For popular exhibitions attracting a large number of visitors, suitable queuing area would also be available where necessary.</p>	
013418-013839	Chairman Mr CHAN Chi-chuen Administration	<p>Mr CHAN asked whether the Administration would brief the Joint Subcommittee in due course on (a) the development and future operations of HKPM including the estimated income to be generated from admission fees, catering service, etc.; and (b) the breakdown of the construction cost of the Museum.</p>	

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		The Administration assured members that WKCDA would brief the Joint Subcommittee on the operation of HKPM and provide information on its development where appropriate.	
013840-014329	Chairman Mr CHU Hoi-dick Administration	<p>Mr CHU doubted if it was necessary to set up a new board for monitoring the operation of every WKCD facility. He asked about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) how many boards in respect of WKCD facilities had been set up, and the number of members of each board; (b) how the Administration would ensure that the members of such boards would comprise a mix of representatives from various sectors and would not overlap much with Board members of WKCDA; and (c) the differences between putting a WKCD facility under the governance of WKCDA vis-à-vis a subsidiary company. <p>The Administration responded that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) there were a number of committees under the Board of WKCDA, e.g. Executive Committee, Development Committee, Performing Arts Committee, etc. Members of the performing arts sector, such as office-bearers and executives of performing arts groups, had been appointed to the Performing Arts Committee; (b) to enhance curatorial and museological independence, a subsidiary company wholly-owned by WKCDA, namely the M Plus Museum Limited, was incorporated. By the same token, the Administration considered it appropriate for WKCDA to set up the HKPM Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary company, with a board governing the new museum. Other than M+ and HKPM, WKCDA had no plan to establish subsidiary companies for other WKCD facilities; and (c) the Board of the HKPM Limited might consist of 3 Board members of WKCDA and the remaining members would include persons with relevant expertise and valuable experience in museum collection, management and curatorial matters in 	

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		relation to Chinese art, history and cultural heritage.	
014330-014820	Chairman Dr Junius HO WKCDA	<p>Dr HO asked about:</p> <p>(a) why WKCDA could be certain that no additional funding would be required for taking forward the HKPM project; and</p> <p>(b) how WKCDA would ensure that the facilities in WKCD would be delivered on schedule.</p> <p>WKCDA assured members that it would work closely with the design consultant of HKPM and strive to contain its construction cost. WKCDA was confident that the donation of \$3.5 billion would be sufficient to cover the construction cost and no additional funding from the Government would be required.</p>	
014821-015354	Chairman ED/RDA WKCDA	<p>The Chairman enquired about:</p> <p>(a) the exterior colour of HKPM, and whether the design of the building could blend in with the surrounding environs;</p> <p>(b) whether WKCDA would consider using social media platforms (such as an official WeChat account as launched by Nanjing Museum) to provide latest information on its exhibitions, and providing audio guide service for the public; and</p> <p>(c) whether WKCDA would design a logo for HKPM; if it would, of the details.</p> <p>ED/RDA advised that:</p> <p>(a) depending on the availability of suitable construction materials, the HKPM building would adopt the colour tone (i.e. beige and brownish red) similar to that of the Palace Museum; and</p> <p>(b) located adjacent to the Art Park and facing Victoria Harbour, HKPM would provide a distinctive cultural bookend to WKCD. The design of HKPM capitalized on the excellent site setting to foster interaction between the museum building and its surrounding environs.</p>	

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		<p>WKCDA responded that:</p> <p>(a) the Authority had already launched an online platform to facilitate public access to information on the collections of M+ Museum. The Palace Museum had adopted state-of-the-art technology and it would help WKCDA tap into new expertise and technology. Also, WKCDA would explore the dissemination of messages on exhibitions through social media tools; and</p> <p>(b) WKCDA would invite tenders for the design of logo after setting up of the Board of the HKPM Limited. The Authority would brief the Joint Subcommittee on this in due course.</p>	
015355-020226	Chairman Deputy Chairman Administration WKCDA	<p>The Deputy Chairman asked about:</p> <p>(a) whether WKCDA had provided for Legislative Council ("LegCo") Members' perusal a preliminary technical study report, which had been prepared by RDA, on the Mega Performance Venue ("MPV")/Exhibition Centre ("EC") site (i.e. P46/47 land parcels); whether WKCDA would consider members' requests for making public information and the business parameters adopted in the four consultancy reports;</p> <p>(b) the findings relating to the review of the alternative development of the Exhibition Hub Development Area ("EHDA") of WKCD on the MPV/EC site; and the proposed Gross Floor Area ("GFA") of EHDA;</p> <p>(c) whether any adjustments had been made to the Net Operating Floor Area to GFA ratios for core arts and cultural facilities in WKCD; if so, whether such changes should require prior permission from the Town Planning Board;</p> <p>(d) whether the usage of the sites originally planned for the Centre for Contemporary Performance ("CCP") and Medium Theatre II had been changed after the proposed reconfiguration of the Lyric Theatre Complex; and whether such changes would exceed the restrictions of the relevant sub-zone on the approved Development Plan; and</p> <p>(e) the estimated cost for implementing Zones 2A, 2B and 2C of the integrated basement.</p>	

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		<p>The Administration and WKCD indicated that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) arrangement had been made for LegCo Members to peruse the four consultancy study reports (including the report prepared by RDA) on the development of MPV and EC; (b) WKCD would identify alternative approaches to take forward the development of the EHDA package by way of public-private partnership. WKCD would brief the Joint Subcommittee on the proposed development parameters for EHDA when the details were available; (c) the total GFA of WKCD would not be changed although the GFA of individual facilities might be adjusted, and the Town Planning Board would be consulted if necessary; (d) in accordance with the approved Development Plan for WKCD, WKCD had not changed the purposes of the sites reserved for development of core arts and cultural facilities. Depending on the progress of the implementation of the integrated basement, the topside developments, including CCP and some other arts and cultural facilities, would be delivered in stages; and (e) the preliminary design of Zones 2A, 2B and 2C was in progress and would be completed in end-2018, while the detailed design for Zone 2A would be substantially completed in end-2019. Based on the preliminary design for Zone 2, an updated cost estimate of the whole integrated basement project would be available in 2019. 	
020227-020650	Chairman Ms Claudia MO ED/RDA Administration	<p>Ms MO enquired about the construction materials to be used for the façade of HKPM.</p> <p>ED/RDA responded that the design team would consider using non-reflective metallic materials, e.g. aluminum, for the façade.</p> <p>Ms MO opined that the appointment of the design consultant for HKPM lacked transparency. She maintained her view that the development of HKPM per se carried a political implication.</p> <p>The Administration noted her views.</p>	

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		Extension of meeting for 15 minutes	
020651-021500	Chairman Dr Junius HO Administration WKCD	<p>Dr HO considered that WKCD should make best efforts to contain the construction cost of the WKCD project. He requested the Administration/WKCD to provide (a) the estimated cost for implementing the entire integrated basement, and (b) a fact sheet showing an overview of the funding applications already approved and to be submitted to LegCo in respect of the arts and cultural facilities in WKCD.</p> <p>The Administration responded that it would need more time to prepare the relevant documents relating to the latest financial position of the WKCD project, and would update the Joint Subcommittee on the subject in February 2018.</p> <p>WKCD advised that the Authority was making every effort to mitigate the impact of escalating costs by adopting a pragmatic approach towards implementing the project and exercising prudent budget control.</p>	
021501-021629	Chairman Administration	<p>The Chairman asked about the participation of the Palace Museum in the development of HKPM. He also asked if the Administration would step up efforts in publicity so as to raise the public's awareness over and interest in the Palace Museum and its collections, so as to pave way for the opening of HKPM.</p> <p>The Administration responded that the Leisure and Cultural Services Department would, in collaboration with the Palace Museum, continue to stage thematic exhibitions featuring artefacts from the Palace Museum in Hong Kong in the next 5 years. Besides, WKCD would organize a series of pre-opening programmes to enhance public awareness prior to the opening of HKPM.</p>	
Agenda Item VI – Any other business			
021630-021638		Closing remarks	