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Clerk to the Financial Committee  
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(Attn.: Ms Anita SIT)

Dear Ms SIT,

**Legislative Council Finance Committee  
Follow-up Actions to Meeting on 15 January 2021**

Thank you for your email dated 18 January 2021, attaching a list of follow-up actions requested at the Finance Committee meeting regarding Paper No. FCR(2020-21)81 on 15 January 2021.

2. In addition, Hon Martin LIAO, GBS, JP raised concern on the job opportunities in the new development areas in North West New Territories at the meeting. We enclose herewith the consolidated reply after consulting the information from relevant bureaux/departments.

Yours sincerely,

Original signed

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for Secretary for Transport and Housing

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Director of Planning

(Attn.: Mr Anthony LUK)

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(Attn.: Mr Desmond LAM)

Director of Transport Department

(Attn.: Mr Bing-kay CHOW)

Director of Housing

(Attn.: Ms Emily SER)

**Legislative Council Finance Committee**  
**Meeting on 15 January 2021**

**B776CL – Site formation and infrastructure works for public housing  
developments at Kam Tin South, Yuen Long – Phase 1**

**Supplementary Information**

**Purpose**

At the meeting of Legislative Council Finance Committee on 15 January 2021, Hon LUK Chung-hung, JP requested the Government to provide supplementary information on the implementation programme of widening of Kam Sheung Road on Head 711 776CL – Site formation and infrastructure works for public housing developments at Kam Tin South, Yuen Long – Phase 1 (via Paper No. FCR(2020-21)81). Hon Martin LIAO, GBS, JP also raised concern about the job opportunities in the new development areas in North West New Territories at the meeting. After consulting the relevant departments, this paper provides relevant information.

**Supplementary Information**

**Implementation programme of the widening of Kam Sheung Road**

2. According to the findings of the traffic impact assessments, it is expected that upon population intake of the public housing developments at Kam Tin South, residents will mainly use the existing Tung Wui Road, the widened Kam Ho Road and Kam Tin Road connecting the nearby trunk roads to and from the urban areas. The housing developments will only cause minor traffic impacts on Kam Sheung Road and the traffic flow of Kam Sheung Road will be acceptable both before and after the population intake of the housing developments. Notwithstanding the above, Kam Sheung Road is a rural road constructed years ago, the road width is relatively narrow and there is only one traffic lane along each direction. There is no lay-bys provided for most of the bus stops along the road. Pick-up and drop-off of buses at the traffic lane would cause short-term impacts on the traffic. The Government is therefore proceeding the construction of more bus lay-bys along Kam Sheung Road which is expected to be completed and open for use by end 2021.

3. In addition, the Government plans to take forward the improvement works of Kam Sheung Road to widen the existing 6m wide single carriageway to a standard 7.3m wide single carriageway with a 2m wide footpath at each side in order to enhance the road safety. The proposed improvement works of Kam Sheung Road will be implemented in accordance with the established procedures and mechanism. The Government is now planning for the creation of this item in 2021 and will then carry out the necessary works including design, site investigation, the extent of land to be resumed, cost estimate, construction programming, public consultation, gazettal, funding application and land resumption procedures, with the aim to complete the proposed improvement works as soon as possible.

### **Local Job Opportunities**

4. As a rough estimate, the Hung Shui Kiu/Ha Tsuen New Development Area (HSK/HT NDA) and Lok Ma Chau Loop (LMC Loop) could generate about 100 000 and 50 000 different job opportunities respectively. HSK/HT NDA is a diversified new development area involving various commercial activities such as catering and retail industries. The industries will provide job opportunities with a wide range of entry requirements and demands and it is believed that most jobs created will be suitable for local employment. For the development of LMC Loop, although it will be developed as an innovation and technology park, it requires different types of elementary jobs to complement and support this large-scale development. Both HSK/HT NDA and LMC Loop will provide job opportunities for local residents in the North West New Territories with different academic qualifications and working experience.