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Clerk to Panel on Development
(Attn : Mr Raymond Chow)
Legislative Council Complex
1 Legislative Council Road
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Dear Mr Chow,

**Legislative Council Panel on Development
Work of the Urban Renewal Authority**

Thank you for your e-mail of 24 June 2021. At the meeting of the Legislative Council Panel on Development held on 22 June 2021, the Urban Renewal Authority (“URA”) undertook to provide information on “Arts and Cultural Partnership Programme in Old Urban Districts” (ACPP) after the meeting. Information submitted by the URA is set out below –

The URA launched the ACPP in 2011. In cooperation with different community organisations, different types of arts and cultural programmes are introduced in old districts to bring residents and the general public closer to the community, thereby enhancing their understanding of the districts’ development, from the past to the present and in the future. Past ACPP sponsorships covered a wide range of arts and culture forms to encourage exchanges between participants and artists, including performing arts (such as dancing, drama, music performance etc.), and a variety of activities (such as photography workshops, local docent tours, drawing and

painting exhibitions). Some of the activities, such as mural painting, allowed residents to take part in beautifying their community and injecting vibrancy to the old districts.

To ensure the effectiveness of the sponsored programmes, the URA has established a set of review and report procedures. Applicants are required to submit a detailed proposal, explaining how the activities could demonstrate the cultural characteristics of the local districts, bring fun to the neighbourhood and inject vibrancy to the old districts. A Review Panel will assess the proposal details and the feasibility of such implementation. Upon approval, the programme will be monitored by a designated officer assigned by the URA to ensure that the programmes are properly implemented. The partnering organisations are required to submit regular progress reports to the URA.

Since the introduction of the programme, the ACPP has sponsored 41 organisations for organising 65 arts and cultural programmes. Over 680 000 people have participated in the activities.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alison Lo', with a small mark above the 'o'.

(Alison Lo)
for Secretary for Development