

**NOTE FOR PUBLIC WORKS
SUBCOMMITTEE
OF FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**Supplementary information on
89ET - Special School in Yau Tong**

INTRODUCTION

When Members considered paper PWSC(98-99)58 on **89ET** - Special school in Yau Tong at the Public Works Subcommittee meeting on 20 January 1999, the Administration undertook to consult the Ngau Tau Kok Holy Word School (NTKHWS) on the proposed design of **89ET** and report to Members on the outcome of the consultation.

THE ADMINISTRATION'S RESPONSE

2. We consulted NTKHWS on the proposed design of **89ET** on 21 January 1999. The school was generally satisfied with the facilities to be provided in the new school premises at Yau Tong. On the detailed design, they proposed a number of changes which we were on the whole able to accommodate. Details of the school's suggestions and the Administration's responses are summarised at the Enclosure.

3. The school was notified of the Administration's responses on 28 January 1999 and had indicated acceptance. The additional expenditure required to implement the school's proposals is estimated at \$1.5 million which can be absorbed within the project estimate of **89ET**.

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**Suggestions from NTKHWS to 89ET and
the Administration's response**

	School's suggestions	Response from the Administration
(a)	To construct a protective barrier of at least 2 metres high along the podium and covered walkways facing the western boundary of the school to guard against falling objects and intruders.	Protective barrier has already been included in the design of the estate.
(b)	To install crossbars on top of parapet walls making the overall height approximately 1.37 metres to avoid potential accidents to students.	Agreed. We will amend the design accordingly.
(c)	To ensure the L/G floor is not flooded in rainy days.	Agreed. The L/G floor is provided with a surface water drainage system to prevent flooding.
(d)	Provide soft landscaping to the roof of the annex in order to use the area as an open play area.	Agreed.
(e)	To convert lightwells on G/F and Level 1 into rooms.	The lightwells on G/F and Level 1 serve to provide lighting/ventilation to the adjoining staircases. The proposal cannot be carried out because of the adverse effects on the staircases.
(f)	To provide additional toilets for students as they take longer time than ordinary students in using toilets.	Agreed.
(g)	To provide a sufficient number of power points in the covered	Agreed. A sufficient number of electrical power sockets will be

	playground and Assembly Hall.	installed.
(h)	To provide a public address (PA) system for the whole school, if possible.	A PA system is already provided in the assembly hall as standard provision. Conduits for PA system will be provided in other rooms of the school.
(i)	To reduce the number of flights of stairs for easy supervision of students.	We cannot reduce the number of flights of stairs because we need to maintain adequate means of escape. Furthermore, we will add alarms at each exit to monitor unauthorised leave from the school.
(j)	For security control and easy supervision of students, the open corridors at G/F and Level 1 should face the basketball court instead of Lei Yue Mun Road.	Agreed. We will amend the design accordingly.
(k)	To provide air-conditioning as a noise mitigation measure for all classrooms and special rooms at the eastern facade facing Lei Yue Mun Road.	As the location of the open corridors have been changed (see item (j) above), all the classrooms and special rooms at the eastern side will be closer to Lei Yue Mun Road. We will provide insulated windows and air-conditioning to these rooms if the traffic noise impact exceeds the limit stipulated in the Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines and endorsement is given by the Director of Environmental Protection.
(l)	To provide flag-poles.	Agreed.
(m)	To provide musical or soft tone for the school bell system.	Agreed.