

**For information
on 14 January 2000**

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SUB-COMMITTEE TO FOLLOW UP
ON OUTSTANDING CAPITAL WORKS PROJECTS OF THE
TWO PROVISIONAL MUNICIPAL COUNCILS FOR INCLUSION
INTO GOVERNMENT'S
PUBLIC WORKS PROGRAMME**

**Capital Works Projects of
the two former Provisional Municipal Councils**

INTRODUCTION

This paper updates Members on the latest position of capital works projects of the two former Provisional Municipal Councils (PMCs).

BACKGROUND

2. The Legislative Council Finance Committee approved on 17 December 1999 funding for 149 former PMC capital works projects and minor works projects worth \$5.4 billion in which the contracts have been granted. In addition, the Administration has agreed to set aside funding for 12 projects worth \$2.36 billion which have received funding approval from the two PMCs, but not yet contracted out. We undertook to brief the relevant LegCo Panel on these projects and to seek funding approval, as far as practicable, before the end of this financial year. As regards the remaining 169 projects which have not received all the necessary approvals from the two PMCs, the Administration undertook to review these projects and consult the relevant LegCo Panels.

PRESENT POSITION

The 12 projects with funding set aside

3. The latest position of the 12 projects in which funding has been set aside is as follows –

- (a) eight projects are ready in all aspects to be upgraded to Category A of the Public Works Programme (PWP). A list of these projects is at Annex A. Our plan is to seek funding approval for these projects from the Public Works Sub-committee in February 2000;
 - (b) one project, namely the Kowloon Bay Recreation Ground involves resumption of land. As more time is required to handle the objections, we would not be able to seek funding approval of this project within this financial year but we will do so as soon as practicable ; and
 - (c) we are of the view that the scope of facilities of the remaining three projects, namely Hammer Hill Road District Park, Tai Kok Tsui Complex and Stanley Complex should be reviewed to ensure that these projects are user-friendly, viable and cost-effective.
4. We intend to brief the relevant LegCo Panels on the details as soon as possible.

The remaining 169 projects

5. As regards the remaining 169 projects without funding approval from the former PMCs, they are at different planning stages, with majority still at a relatively early stage of development. We are reviewing the scope and programme of these projects, and will consult the relevant LegCo Panels as soon as practicable.

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Annex A

**List of projects ready to be upgraded to
Category A of the Public Works Programme
before the end of 1999/2000**

1. Conversion of Centre Street Market, Phase II
2. Redevelopment of Victoria Park – Improvement to Park Proper
3. Water Sports Centre at Stanley Main Beach
4. Jordon Valley Playground, Phase II, Stage 2
5. Indoor Recreation Centre cum Library in Area 100, Ma On Shan
6. Renovation of the External Wall of Shatin Town Hall Complex and Tuen Mun Town Hall Complex
7. Local Open Space in Area 44, Tuen Mun
8. Improvement works to Lady MacLehose Holiday Village and Sai Kung Outdoor Recreation Centre