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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PANEL ON PLANNING, LANDS AND WORKS

Tseung Kwan O Development, Phase II, Remaining Engineering Works

PURPOSE

This paper informs Members of our proposal to provide a district distributor road and a footbridge to serve the planned developments in Areas 45, 55 and 65 of Tseung Kwan O (TKO).

PROJECT SCOPE AND NATURE

- 2. We propose to carry out the following works:-
 - (a) construction of a 500-metre long dual-2 Road D1 between its intersections with Road D4 and Road L654:
 - (b) construction of a footbridge across Po Hong Road linking Areas 45 and 55;
 - (c) footpaths, cycle tracks, and associated drainage and landscaping works along Road D1;
 - (d) provision of noise mitigation measures including about 100 metres (m) of vertical noise barrier and 300 m of cantilever noise barrier along Road D1; and
 - (e) environmental monitoring and audit (EM&A) programme for the works mentioned in items (a) to (d) above.

Site plan and details of the proposed works are at Enclosure 1 and 2. We plan to start the construction work for the above items in December 2002 for completion in August 2004.

BACKGROUND

- 3. The developments at TKO town centre central, namely in areas 55, 56, 57, 65, 66 and 67, include public and private housing, commercial premises, government offices, institution and community facilities, and a district open space. We started the engineering infrastructures works in TKO town centre central, which included Road D1 (northern part), Road D4, and Roads L651 and L654, in May 1998 for completion in stages by December 2002. The section of Road D1 to be constructed is an extension of the existing Po Hong Road, and will form part of an essential link between the northern and southern part of TKO town centre.
- 4. During the period 1998 to 2001, we completed a number of public housing projects in TKO town centre central, including Beverly Garden in Area 55, Tong Ming Court in Area 57 and Bauhinia Garden in Area 65a. These housing developments accommodate some 36 000 people. Five school projects in Areas 55 and 56 have also been completed. The remaining developments to be completed progressively from end 2002 to 2007 include the private housing projects in Areas 55a, 55b, 57a, 57b and 57c, public housing in Area 65b and a school village project in the vicinity The population intake for the above proposed housing of Area 65b. developments is about 37 000. In order to cater for the traffic demand to be generated by the school and housing developments and to improve the traffic circulation in the town centre, we plan to start construction works for the proposed section of Road D1 in December 2002 for completion in August 2004.
- 5. We also need to construct a footbridge across Po Hong Road to provide a safe pedestrian access linking the residential development in Area 55 to the bus stop on the southbound lane of Po Hong Road and the town park in Area 45. Construction of the footbridge is scheduled to commence in December 2002 for completion in August 2004.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

6. We consulted the Traffic and Transport Committee (T&TC) of the Sai Kung District Council (SKDC) on the proposed works on 28 January 1997 and 4 October 2001. The Committee supported the proposal and urged the Government to implement the works as soon as possible.

7. We gazetted the proposed footbridge and the road scheme under Roads (Works, Use and Compensation) Ordinance on 22 August 1997 and 25 January 2002 respectively and received no objection. The Secretary for Transport authorised the works on 6 November 1997 and 26 April 2002 respectively.

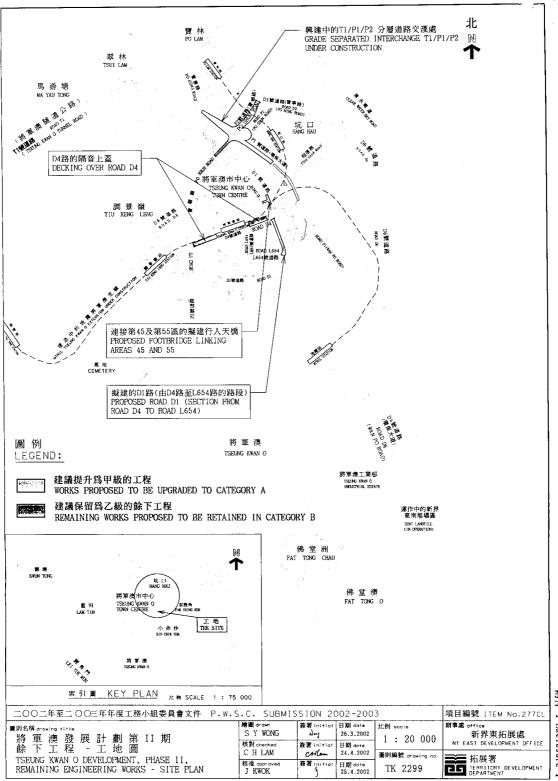
Way Forward

- 8. We plan to seek Public Works Sub-committee's support to upgrade the works mentioned in paragraph 2 above (at an estimated cost of \$75.3 million) to Category A at its meeting on 12 June 2002.
- 9. We would be pleased to brief Members on the details of the project if necessary.

ATTACHMENT

Enclosure 1 -- Plan No. TK 2299 Enclosure 2 -- Plan No. TK 2294

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