

**Land and Building Advisory Committee**

**Summary of Members' Views on the  
Town Planning (Amendment) Bill 2003**

- Members generally support the Amendment Bill. Some appreciate Government's effort in reducing the long processing time and cumbersome procedures.
- Some members have reservation about the change of the hearing procedure from the existing three stages to the proposed single stage. They urge the Administration to avoid speeding up the plan making process at the expense of the chance for public consultation.
- Some members consider that more should be done to promote public participation in the plan making process.
- Some members are concerned that there is no time limit for the Chief Executive in Council to consider the plan in the Amendment Bill.
- Some members consider that it is very important to respect the right of land owners and therefore support the proposal of obtaining the consent of the concerned land owners in planning applications.