

NOTE FOR PUBLIC WORKS SUBCOMMITTEE OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Supplementary information on

- 8MA – Redevelopment of Caritas Medical Centre, phase 2**
- 658CL – Remaining engineering infrastructure works for Pak Shek Kok development – stage 2**
- 19EA – Redevelopment of Yuen Long Chamber of Commerce Primary School at Castle Peak Road, Yuen Long**
- 36EC – Redevelopment of Marymount Primary School and improvements to Marymount Secondary School, Wan Chai**
- 39EC – A private independent school (secondary-cum-primary) in Area 90B, Ma On Shan**
- 83EB – Upgrading facilities of China Holiness College, Sham Shui Po**

INTRODUCTION

At the Public Works Subcommittee (PWSC) meeting held on 25 June 2003, Members requested the Administration to provide supplementary information on tree-felling and/or planting proposals associated with public works projects. The required information should cover –

- (a) the tree-felling information for each project, with details on the number and species of trees affected;
- (b) the number of trees with height exceeding 5 metres and diameter exceeding 0.8 metre which would be hewed down under each project; and
- (c) compensatory planting arrangements for the loss of woodland/trees, including transplanting, if any.

THE ADMINISTRATION'S RESPONSE*Tree-felling and/or planting proposals*

2. As part of project planning, the Administration conducts tree surveys for public works projects. A tree survey normally covers the species and the girths or diameters of trees which will be affected by implementation of a particular project. Heights of trees are not measured due to practical difficulties. The survey will also record the names of tree species which meet the criteria of "Very Important Trees" (see Enclosure for definition).

Way forward

3. We will incorporate tree-felling and/or planting proposals of public works projects in future PWSC submissions. Information regarding the six projects to be considered by PWSC at the meeting scheduled for 2 July 2003 is set out at the Enclosure.

4. We will issue a separate supplementary note before the Finance Committee meeting scheduled for 18 July 2003 to cover relevant information on the 14 projects endorsed at the PWSC meeting on 25 June 2003.

Environment, Transport and Works Bureau
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Tree-felling and/or planting proposal associated with the capital works project

PWP Item No.	Project Title	Tree-felling Proposal								Compensatory planting or soft landscape proposal to be implemented		
		No. of trees affected		No. of trees to be felled		No. of trees to be transplanted ¹		No. of trees to be replanted ²		Total nos.		
		VIT ³	Ordinary	VIT	Ordinary	VIT	Ordinary	VIT	Ordinary	Trees	Shrubs	Annuals
8MA	Redevelopment of Caritas Medical Centre, phase 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Landscape plan is subject to detailed design		
658CL	Remaining engineering infrastructure works for Pak Shek Kok development – stage 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,000	10,000	0
19EA	Redevelopment of Yuen Long Chamber of Commerce Primary School at Castle Peak Road, Yuen Long	0	19	0	19	0	0	0	0	19	12/m ² *	0
36EC	Redevelopment of Marymount Primary School and improvements to Marymount Secondary School, Wan Chai	0	33	0	29	0	4	0	0	29	12/m ² *	0
39EC	A private independent school (secondary-cum-primary) in Area 90B, Ma On Shan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
83EB	Upgrading facilities of China Holiness College, Sham Shui Po	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	6	0

* Total no. of shrubs to be provided is subject to finalisation of detailed design.

Note: ¹ Transplanting of affected trees to sites other than the original project sites.

² Replanting of affected trees back to the original project sites.

³ VIT – Very important trees refer to (a) trees of over 100 years old;
 (b) trees of cultural, historical or memorable significance;
 (c) trees of rare species;
 (d) trees of outstanding form; or
 (e) trees with trunk diameter exceeding 0.8 metre (measured at 1 metre above ground level).