# NOTE FOR PUBLIC WORKS SUBCOMMITTEE OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

## Supplementary information on 260ES – A direct subsidy scheme secondary school in Area 50, Tseung Kwan O

### **INTRODUCTION**

In considering the paper referenced PWSC(2004-05)8 at the Public Works Subcommittee meeting on 5 May 2004, Members requested the Administration to -

- (a) confirm whether the responsibility for the repair and maintenance of Pung Loi Road and Pung Loi Avenue (the access road) should continue to be borne by the owners of Oscar By The Sea upon the commissioning of the proposed new school; and
- (b) review (in consultation with the school sponsor) the design of the school premises with regard to the outlook, in particular the façade of the assembly hall block and to provide the relevant drawing showing the improvement made.

### THE ADMINISTRATION'S RESPONSE

#### Maintenance of the access road

2. The access road in question is marked in brown in Enclosure 1. A non-exclusive right-of-way over it has been granted to the Grantee of TKOTL No. 51 (Oscar By The Sea). According to the lease conditions, the Grantee shall throughout the lease term "at his own expense uphold, maintain and repair the access road ... to the satisfaction of the Director [of Lands] and the Grantee shall be

responsible for the whole as if he were the absolute owner thereof". The lease conditions also stipulate that the Government reserves the right "to grant rights-of-way over the access road to the owners of other lots in the vicinity now or in the future ..." and "or to take over the whole or any portion of the access road for the purposes of a public street without payment of any compensation ...". It is on the basis of the whole package of lease conditions that the Grantee and the Government negotiated and agreed on the land premium. The access road is now open to all members of the public.

3. Notwithstanding the above arrangement as stipulated in the lease conditions which have been in force following the grant of the land in 1997, owners of Oscar By The Sea have recently expressed the view that the Administration should take over the management and maintenance responsibility of the access road particularly following the future allocation of the site of **260ES** to a school which requires the use of the access road. The Administration is now examining the matter in detail, taking into account all relevant considerations, including the owners' concerns, considerations behind the formulation of the relevant lease conditions, and other relevant government policies.

4. It should be noted that the maintenance responsibility of the access road and the school project are two separate issues. Decision on the former should not affect the programme of the latter.

## Revised façade design

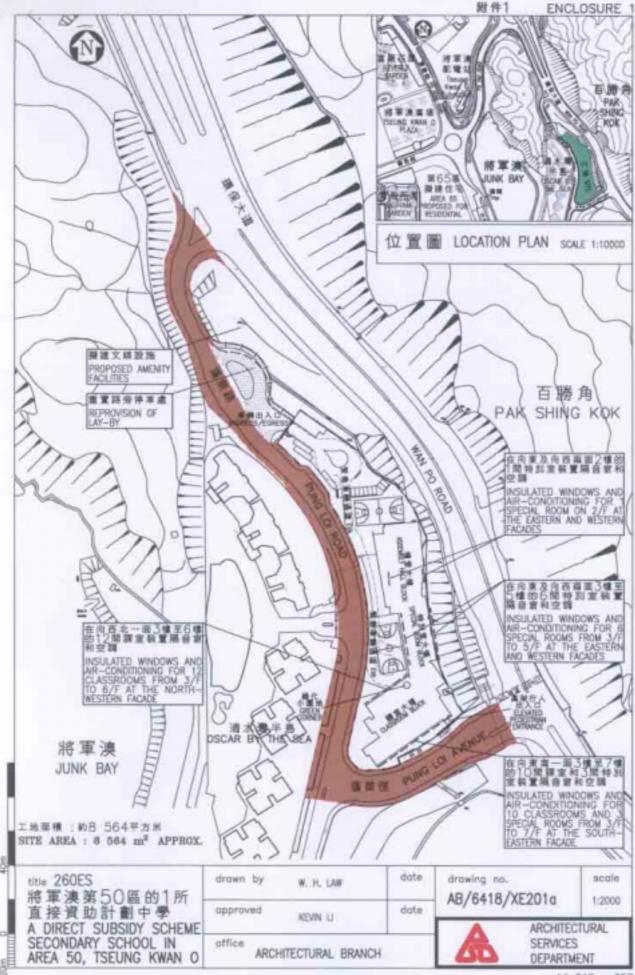
5. Pursuant to Members' advice, we have reviewed the design of the school premises with regard to the façade of the assembly hall block –

- (a) The cantilevered wall at 1/F level has been highlighted in a colour to match other architectural elements of the school. Windows have also been added to provide daylighting to the ramp access to the stage of the assembly hall.
- (b) The staircase colour on the end façade has been highlighted and windows provided for additional daylighting.
- (c) Landscaping has been enhanced particularly with a view to shielding the school from the existing elevated road.

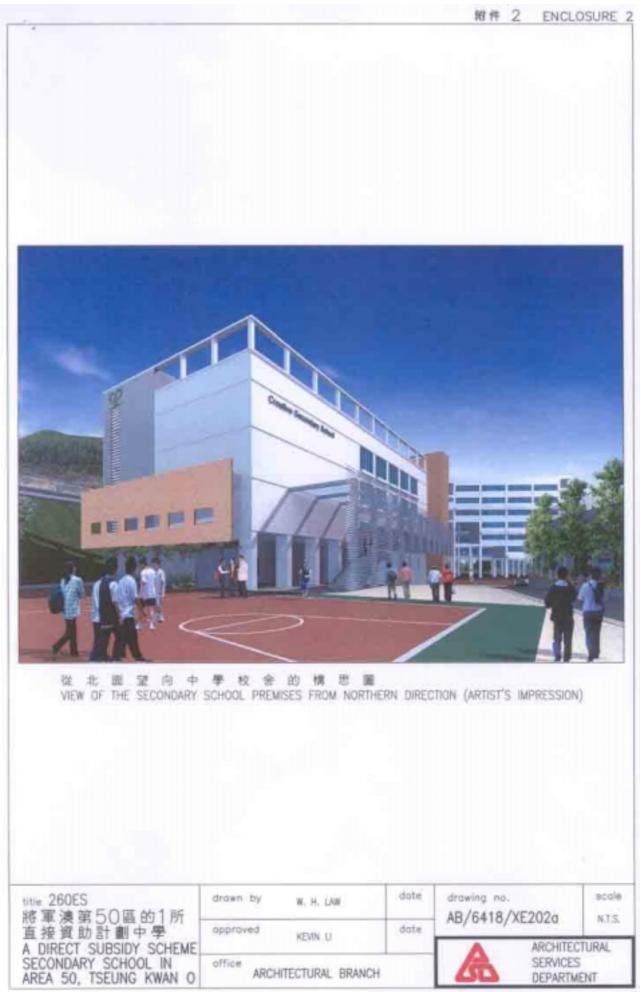
6. A revised view of the school premises (artist's impression) is at Enclosure 2.

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