Follow-up to Meeting of the Legislative Council Panel on Development on 26 February 2008

WATERFRONT ENHANCEMENT WORKS IN KOWLOON

(the attached plan refers)

West Kowloon Cultural District (WKCD)

- Pending the commencement work for WKCD, a waterfront promenade has been open for public enjoyment since September 2005, and its extension since early February 2007.
- The WKCD is intended to be developed to integrate arts, cultural, entertainment, commercial and other uses with public open space of not less than 23 ha, which will include piazzas and a waterfront promenade not less than 20 m in width. Pedestrian linkages within the WKCD and the surrounding areas will be provided for easy access to the public open space. The Development Plan for WKCD will be worked out by the WKCD Authority.

Tsim Sha Tsui Promenade Beautification Project

• The Tourism Commission is now undertaking the Tsim Sha Tsui (TST) Promenade Beautification Project. Phase 1 of the Project (for the TST Promenade) has largely been completed. Phase 2 works (construction of the Star Ferry Plaza) is under planning and will be implemented after relocation of the existing Star Ferry Public Transport Terminus to Wing On Plaza Garden being carried out in phases since August 2007.

Hung Hom Bay

• A waterfront promenade along Hung Hom Bay, together with two district open spaces, are planned for connecting the existing promenade in Tsim Sha Tsui to that in Hung Hom. Implementation will tie in with future development of the adjacent sites.

Kai Tak

• For the waterfront of the former Kai Tak area, a number of open spaces have been proposed including the Metro Park, the Runway Park and waterfront promenade. The Metro Park will form a regional open space for the East Kowloon Area and will be integrated with the proposed Multi-purpose Stadium Complex to form a comprehensive green hub to achieve the "Stadium in the Park" concept. The Runway Park at the end of the Kai Tak runway will provide an area to accommodate facilities of the aviation-related theme. The waterfront promenade will be 20 m to 30 m in width. There would be a comprehensive pedestrian connection system to facilitate pedestrian connections with the adjoining districts.

Yau Tong Bay

• Along Yau Tong Bay, a waterfront promenade not less than 15 m in width and of an area not less than 2.47 ha has been planned. Implementation will tie in with future development of the adjacent sites.

Lei Yue Mun Waterfront Enhancement Project

• The Tourism Commission plans to improve and upgrade the waterfront of Lei Yue Mun by building a viewing platform and landing facilities. The Government is now undertaking a study to examine the environmental and navigation safety aspects associated with the proposed landing facilities. The waterfront enhancement project is envisaged to be completed in phases from 2010.

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