



# **Development of Greening Master Plans (GMPs) for the New Territories**

**Legislative Council Panel on Development  
on 24 May 2011**

# Purpose

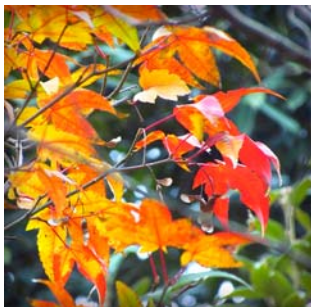
To brief Members on the progress made in

- Implementation of GMPs in urban areas
- Development of GMPs in the New Territories



# Background

- **The Greening, Landscape and Tree Management Section was established in March 2010 to adopt a strategic and holistic approach to greening and tree management, and to promote the sustainable development of a greener environment**
- **District-based GMPs is an initiative of Government's overall greening efforts since 2004**





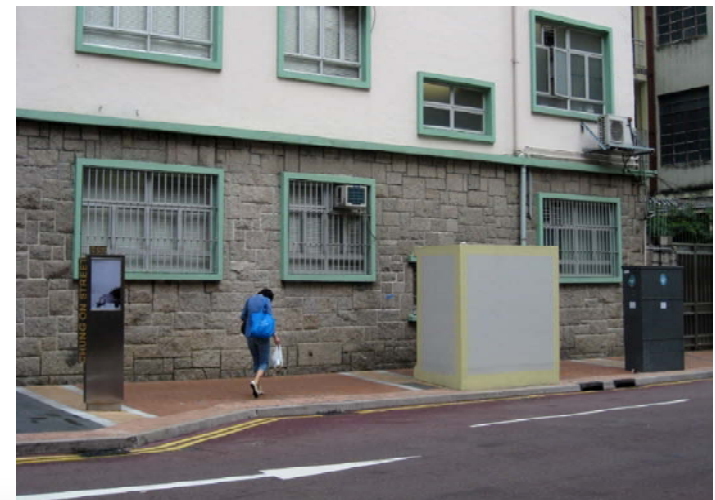
# District-based GMPs

- Provides a coherent framework for greening works in a district
- Defined by:
  - a greening theme; and
  - a palette of plants
- Greening Master Plan Committee to oversee development and implementation of GMPs for individual districts



# Challenges to urban greening

- Crowded underground utilities
- Overhanging signboards
- Busy pedestrian and vehicular traffic
- Narrow pavements
- Poor soil conditions, etc.





# District-based GMPs

## GMP for Central

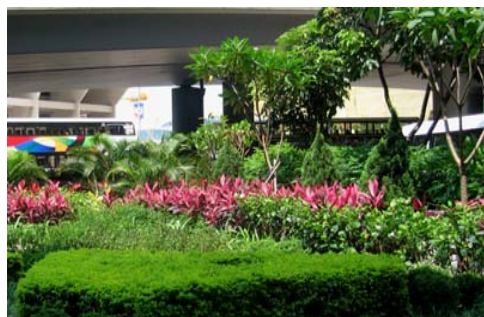
Greening theme:

**“Heart of Gold”**

Plant palette:

Plant species with  
yellow or red flowers  
and foliage, e.g.

*Plumeria species*,  
*Terminalia mantaly*,  
*Roystonea regia*





# District-based GMPs

## GMP for Sheung Wan, Wan Chai and Causeway Bay

Greening theme:

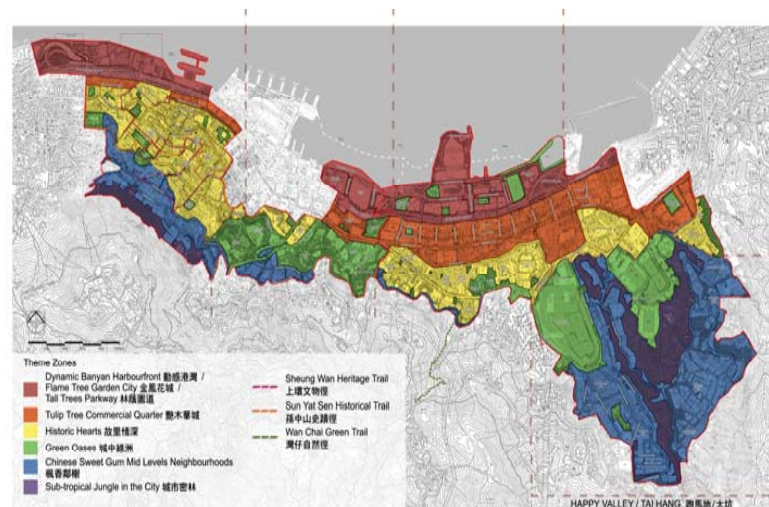
“Rainbow”

Plant palette:

The northern coast of Hong Kong Island has evolved by a series of strip-like reclamations.

These strips, each with unique topography, land use and greening characteristics, could be depicted as a ‘rainbow’.

Flowers with cheerful colour were chosen.



# Public Engagement in Urban GMPs

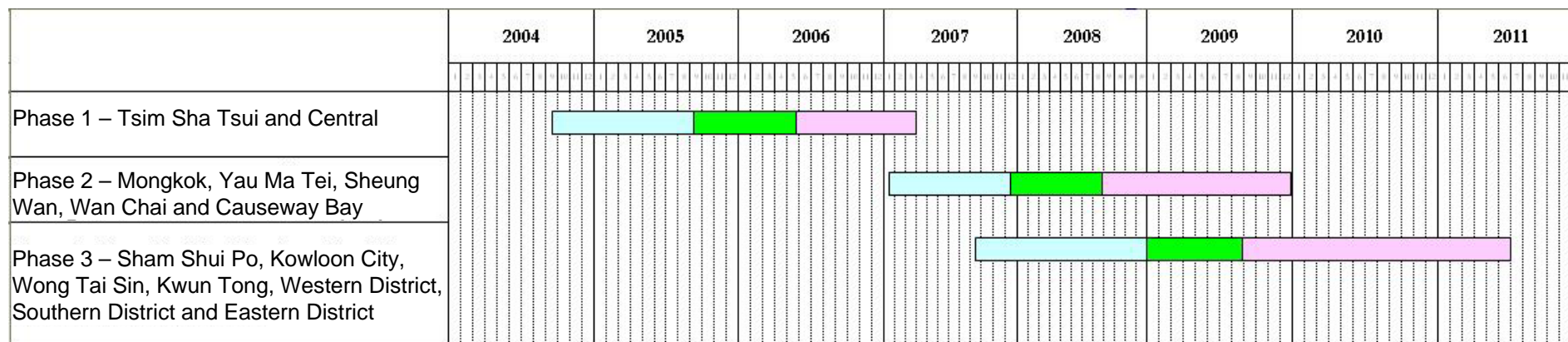
- **Enhanced Partnering Approach – District Council forms a District Participation Group to partner with CEDD from inception to finalisation of GMP**
  - Public consultation to engage local residents and stakeholders
  - Leaflets to explain upcoming greening works to neighbouring residents and shop operators
  - Planting activities during GMP implementation





# Progress of development and implementation of urban GMPs

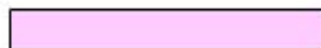
## Greening Master Plan



Development of GMPs



Detailed design, funding application and tendering

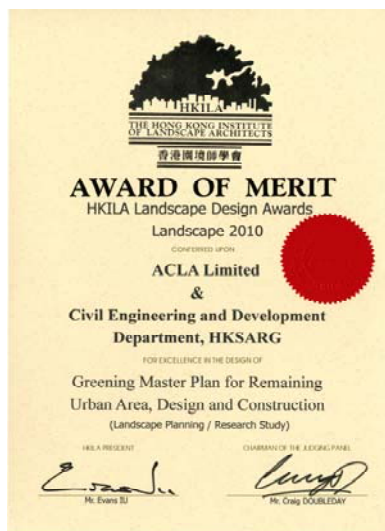


Implementation of greening works



# Achievements under urban GMPs

- 27 greening master plans developed for all 9 urban districts
- Total planting of 19 000 trees and 4.4 million shrubs
- Awards achieved





# Greening results under urban GMPs



Before greening



After greening

**Tsim Sha Tsui - Planting works at Nathan Road near Middle Road**

**Theme: Jade Necklace**

**Species: *Wodyetia bifurcata***



## Greening results under urban GMPs



Before greening



After greening

**Sham Shui Po - Planting works at Lai Po Road**

**Theme: Golden Kaleidoscope**

**Species: *Elaeocarpus apiculatus*, *Hibiscus tiliaceus***





# Greening results under urban GMPs



Before greening



After greening

**Kowloon City - Planting works outside Argyle Street Playground**

**Theme: Verdant Parkland**

**Species: *Crateva unilocularis***



# Greening results under urban GMPs



Before greening



After greening

**Wong Tai Sin - Planting works at Fung Lai Road**

**Theme: Celestial Garden**

**Species: *Chukrasia tabularia***





# Greening results under urban GMPs



Before greening



After greening

**Kwun Tong - Planting works at Tai Yip Lane**  
**Theme: Jade Crescent**  
**Species: *Cassia siamea***

# Greening results under urban GMPs



Before greening



After greening

**Central & Western District - Planting works at Roundabout near Pier No. 7**  
**Theme: Heart of Gold**  
**Species: *Roystonea regia***





# Greening results under urban GMPs



Before greening



After greening

**Eastern District - Planting works at Tsat Tsz Mui Road**  
**Theme: Royal Palm Boulevard**  
**Species: *Wodyetia bifurcata***



# Development of GMPs for the New Territories

- **Preparation for development of New Territories GMPs started in 2009**
- **Factors to be taken into account in developing the New Territories GMPs:**
  - Experience gained from the urban GMP initiative
  - Relatively higher coverage of existing greenery in the New Territories, e.g. country parks, greenery in countryside, greening under new town development, etc.
  - Enhanced greening under public projects in recent years, which will continue to enhance greenery in the New Territories



# Development of GMPs for the New Territories

- In view of the geographical spread covered by the New Territories GMPs, the focus will be:
  - Populated areas (such as town centres)
  - Tourist attractions
  - Along major transportation routes
- Public areas with no private land to be included



# Development of GMPs for the New Territories

- **Consultation with all 9 District Councils in the New Territories conducted in 2009 to 2010 – all 9 New Territories District Councils support the GMP initiative**
- **Consulted Heung Yee Kuk on the development of GMPs in the New Territories**



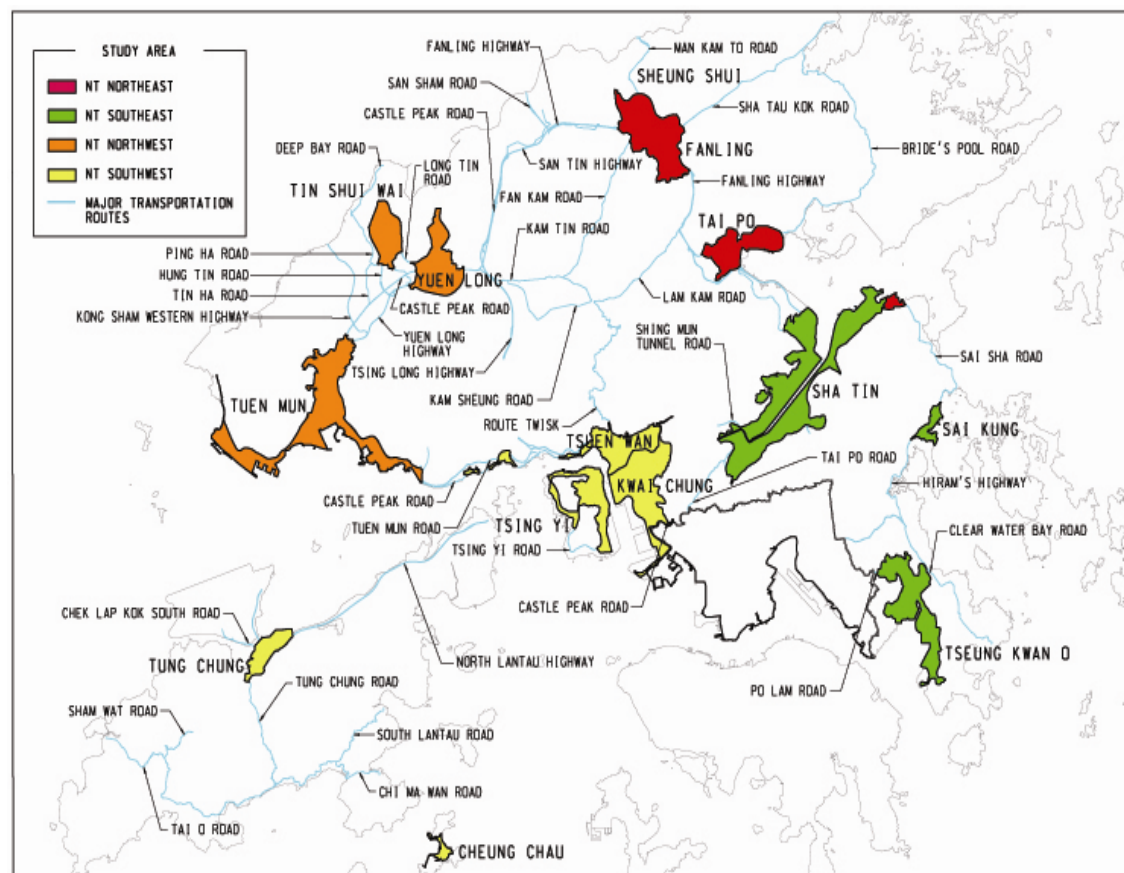


# Development of GMPs for the New Territories

New Territories GMPs will be developed under 4 consultancies:

- New Territories North West (covering Yuen Long and Tuen Mun)
- New Territories South East (covering Sha Tin and Sai Kung)
- New Territories North East (covering North District and Tai Po)
- New Territories South West (covering Tsuen Wan, Kwai Tsing and Island District)

Tentative coverage of the study area



# Work plan for the New Territories GMPs

Date	Action item
<b>Consultancy studies for NT North West and NT South East</b>	
March 2011	CEDD invited tenders
second quarter of 2011	Commencement of consultancy studies
end 2013	Completion of consultancy studies
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end 2011	Commencement of consultancy studies
mid-2014	Completion of consultancy studies





# Enhanced Partnership Approach

## Enhanced Participation Approach:

- Organise community fora to collect views from the local residents and major stakeholders
- Promote ownership of the GMPs
- Organise planting activities and explain greening works to locals during implementation stage



# Work plan for the New Territories GMPs

- Implement greening works under the finalised New Territories GMPs, subject to funding availability under the established mechanism
- Beautification works at focal points e.g. greening at Tsuen Wan Promenade, the central divider at Kwai Foo Road of Kwai Tsing, the roundabout at Po Shun Road and Po Lam Road north of Sai Kung, etc.







# Thank You

