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Integration and connectivity of the West Kowloon Cultural District with its neighbouring districts

West Kowloon is subject a large number of development and infrastructure projects led by different proponents. Each project includes public accessible areas and rights of access at different levels, creating a complex multiple layered future pedestrian network.

The key questions are – will this future network be a convenient, comprehensive and enjoyable district for people of all ages and abilities? Will this multi-layered district a pleasure to enjoy on foot?

We urge for an urgent comprehensive stock-taking exercise, mapping the engineering, design and management quality of every section of the pedestrian network which will be in place once all committed projects have been completed. The mapping study should identify and include among others:

1. All public and private spaces and facilities open to the public on foot *at any level* including shopping floors, transport interchanges, station concourse, building lobbies, parks, open spaces, pavements, etc. etc.;
2. Existing and planned pavements and road crossings;
3. Pedestrian linkages over or underground;
4. Facilities for level changes (stairs, lifts, escalators, ramps);
5. Routes accessible for people with disabilities;
6. Available amenities (seating, shading, toilets);
7. Active interfaces of properties along this network;
8. Forced detours and level changes, and the engineering and design details of the level changes.

We urge for the presentation to cover the study are as detailed in the annex.

Here we submit our concerns for your consideration.

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