For discussion on 11 May 2015

## **Legislative Council Panel on Education**

# 110ET – A 12-classroom special school for children with mild intellectual disability near Hoi Lai Estate, Sham Shui Po

#### **PURPOSE**

We need to construct a special school near Hoi Lai Estate, Sham Shui Po to reprovision the Church of Christ in China Mongkok Church, Kai Oi School (Kai Oi School) which is at present accommodated in sub-standard premises in Mongkok. This paper briefs Members on the proposed capital works project and timeline.

#### PROJECT SCOPE AND NATURE

- 2. The project involves the construction of a 12-classroom school for 180 children with mild intellectual disability (MiID), with a site area of about 4 400 square metres (m<sup>2</sup>). The estimated cost of the project is about \$257 million in money-of-the-day (MOD) prices. The proposed scope of works includes
  - (a) 12 classrooms;
  - (b) two small group teaching rooms;
  - (c) six special rooms, comprising a music room, a visual arts room, a computer room, a home economics room, a design and technology room and a computer-assisted-learning room;
  - (d) an optional subject room<sup>1</sup>;
  - (e) four speech therapy rooms;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Optional subject room is for training on the practical and independent living skills to prepare the senior secondary students for taking courses under the Vocational Training Council and Skills Training Centre after they finish secondary education.

(f)	a multi-purpose room;
(g)	two interview rooms;
(h)	a library;
(i)	a staff room;
(j)	a staff common room;
(k)	a conference room;
(1)	three social worker's rooms;
(m)	a student activity centre;
(n)	a multi-purpose area;
(o)	an assembly hall;
(p)	a basketball court;
(q)	a green corner <sup>2</sup> ; and
(r)	other ancillary facilities including a disabled/ fireman's lift, facilities for the disabled, a tuck shop, stores and toilets.
3. providing	The proposed new school premises will meet the planning target of 2 m <sup>2</sup> of open space per student. A site plan and an artist's impressions

### **JUSTIFICATION**

It is the Government's plan to improve the physical conditions of 4.

of the new school premises are at Enclosures 1 and 2.

<sup>2</sup> A green corner is a designated area inside the campus to encourage students to develop an interest in 

sub-standard school premises through the School Improvement Programme as well as reprovisioning and redevelopment. Constructed almost 40 years ago and with in-situ improvement inhibited by physical constraints, Kai Oi School is critically in need of reprovisioning.

- 5. In 2014/15 school year, Kai Oi School operates 11 classes with 164 students at premises in Mongkok with a site area of about 550 m<sup>2</sup>. The School is operating beyond its design capacity to meet the demand and does not have any additional space for infrastructure upgrading or in-situ redevelopment. existing school premises lack essential facilities such as assembly hall, open playground, student activity centre, visual arts room, computer-assisted-learning room, multi-purpose room, multi-purpose area, resource room, conference room, staff common room and interview room. In addition, the existing school premises have no lay-bys for school buses. Many of the existing facilities such as music room, home economics room, computer room, speech therapy room, social worker's room, staff room are undersized. Due to site constraint, reprovisioning is considered to be the most effective way to improve its teaching and learning environment.
- 6. Construction of the 12-classroom school premises for the reprovisioning of Kai Oi School will provide 15 additional MiID school places upon completion of the new school premises. These additional places, together with our plan at other available sites in the Kowloon and Tseung Kwan O Region, will be able to meet the projected shortfall, if any, in the region. When Kai Oi School moves to the new premises with 12 classrooms in Sham Shui Po, priority will be given to children with MiID in Kowloon and Tseung Kwan O Region<sup>3</sup> to enrol in this school after the reprovisioning.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION PLAN**

7. We plan to seek the endorsement and funding approval of the Public Works Subcommittee and the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council (LegCo) for the proposed reprovisioning project in 2015. We aim to commence the construction works in the first quarter of 2016 and expect it to complete in the second quarter of 2018.

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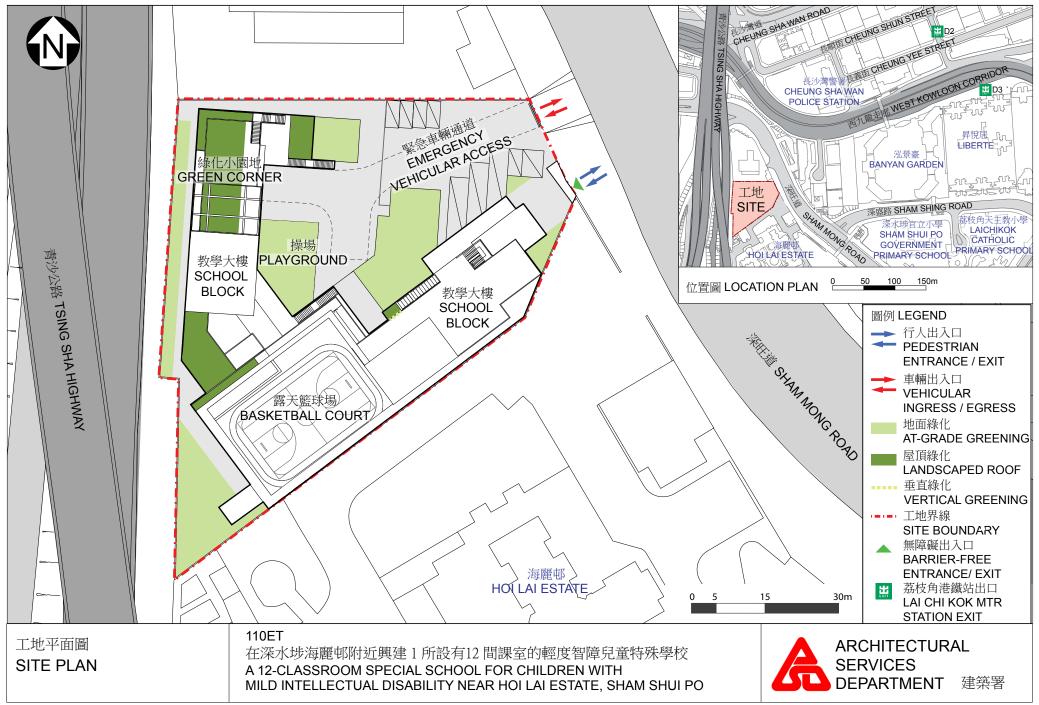
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Kowloon & Tseung Kwan O is one of the seven regions for analysis of provision of school places in special schools. The other six regions are Hong Kong Island, Shatin & Sai Kung (excluding Tseung Kwan O), Tai Po & North, Kwai Tsing & Tsuen Wan, Tuen Mun & Yuen Long, and Outlying Islands.

## **PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

8. We consulted the LegCo Panel on Education on 9 June 2014 on our programme on redevelopment and reprovisioning of existing mainstream primary and secondary schools as well as special schools. The Panel noted our plan to seek funding approval for school projects including **110ET** for reprovisioning an existing special school operating in sub-standard premises.

9. The School has consulted parents concerned on the reprovisioning project and the design of the new school premises through workshop, seminar and meeting with school representatives. We consulted the Shum Shui Po District Council on 13 January 2015 on this reprovisioning project. Members supported the project.

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