

**Legislative Council Public Works Subcommittee  
meeting on 17 January 2017**

**778CL – Site formation and infrastructure works for public housing  
developments at Chung Nga Road and Area 9, Tai Po**

**Supplementary Information**

**PURPOSE**

At the Legislative Council Public Works Subcommittee meeting on 17 January 2017 when the captioned project was considered (PWSC(2016-17)38 refers), Members requested the following supplementary information –

- (a) the tree survey conducted for the project site of the proposed public housing developments at Chung Nga Road and Area 9, Tai Po; and
- (b) the receptor sites for the 12 trees proposed to be transplanted.

**GOVERNMENT RESPONSES**

- 2. The required information is set out below -
  - (a) the proposed works will involve the removal of 1 937 trees, including 1 925 trees to be felled and 12 trees to be transplanted within or adjacent to the project site. All the trees proposed to be felled and transplanted are not important trees. We will incorporate planting proposals as part of the proposed works, including a total of 1 921 trees and 15 whips.

The trees at the public housing developments at Tai Po Area 9 site and Chung Nga Road East site as well as around the site of the

proposed new road were planted during the slope construction works in the 1990s. Most of them are fast growing species, including *Leucaena leucocephala*, *Acacia confusa* and *Casuarina equisetifolia*, etc. Species such as *Aleurites moluccana*, *Cassia siamea*, *Lagerstroemia speciosa*, *Eucalyptus citriodora*, *Macaranga tanarius*, *Acacia confusa*, *Bombax ceiba*, etc. are found along Chung Nga Road, Tai Po.

Public housing construction involves many complicated works procedures, ranging from site formation, drain laying, road construction to building construction. All these works inevitably lead to the removal of most of the affected trees. Nevertheless, where feasible, we will retain the existing trees as far as possible during the detailed design of the project. We will also try our best to plant new trees to compensate for the existing trees to be removed due to the works. All the trees removed will be compensated accordingly under the provisions of the related guidelines.

- (b) Regarding the 12 trees proposed to be transplanted under the proposed works, 10 of them are located within the project sites of the public housing developments at Tai Po Area 9 site and Chung Nga Road East site. Of which, 4 will be transplanted to the nearby Tai Po Hospital, while the remaining 6 will be transplanted within the project site.

2 trees on the roadside of Chung Nga Road will be transplanted to Yuen Shin Park.

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