

**For discussion
on 12 December 2016**

Legislative Council Panel on Education

**111ET – A special school for students with mild, moderate and severe
intellectual disabilities in Area 108, Tung Chung**

PURPOSE

We need to construct a new special school with boarding facilities for students with mild, moderate and severe intellectual disabilities (ID) in Area 108 of Tung Chung to cater for students with special educational needs in the Islands District. This paper briefs Members on the proposed capital works project and timeline.

PROJECT SCOPE AND NATURE

2. The project involves the construction of a 18-classroom school for children with mild, moderate and severe ID and 60 boarding places, with a site area of about 5 800 square metres (m²). The estimated cost of the project is about \$336 million in money-of-the-day (MOD) prices. The proposed scope of works includes –

School Section

- (a) 18 classrooms;
- (b) three small group teaching rooms;
- (c) nine special rooms including a music room, a visual arts room, three multi-purpose rooms, a computer room, a home economics room, a design and technology room and a computer-assisted-learning room/multi-media activity room;

- (d) an optional subject room¹;
- (e) a special room for practical subjects²;
- (f) a physiotherapy room;
- (g) an occupational therapy room;
- (h) five speech therapy rooms;
- (i) three interview rooms;
- (j) a staff room;
- (k) a staff common room;
- (l) a student activity centre;
- (m) a conference room;
- (n) three social worker's rooms;
- (o) a library;
- (p) an assembly hall;
- (q) a basketball court and a covered playground;
- (r) multi-purpose areas; and
- (s) other ancillary facilities, including an accessible/fireman's lift.

¹ Optional subject room is for training on the practical and independent living skills to prepare the senior secondary students for vocational training provided by the Integrated Vocational Training Centre and Shine Skills Centre after they finish secondary education.

² Practical subjects refer to subjects such as life skills training, e.g. preparation of meal setting, independent living training, home decoration etc.

Boarding Section

- (a) bedrooms to accommodate 60 boarders and study areas;
- (b) a TV/common room;
- (c) a dining/multi-purpose room;
- (d) a kitchen and kitchen store;
- (e) a laundry;
- (f) a drying area;
- (g) a warden's office;
- (h) a houseparents' and programme workers' office;
- (i) a nurse's duty room / sick bay;
- (j) two sleep-in rooms for staff on night shift; and
- (k) other ancillary facilities, including stores, toilets, bathrooms and relevant facilities for the disabled.

3. The proposed new school premises will meet the planning target of providing 2 m² of open space per student. A site plan and an artist's impression of the new school premises are at Enclosures 1 and 2 respectively.

JUSTIFICATION

4. Currently, there is no special school for children with ID in the Islands District. Having regard to the supply and demand of school places for children with ID in the Islands District, the development of Tung Chung and the projection of the overall demand of such school places, we consider that there will be an imminent need for constructing a new special school with boarding facilities for children with mild, moderate and severe ID in Tung

Chung.

5. The new school is designed to provide education and boarding services for children with ID with priority to be given to those residing in different parts of the Islands District which currently does not have any special school for children with ID. It is estimated to provide nearly 200 school places and 60 boarding places in total. Apart from meeting the demand for school places and boarding places from children with ID residing in different parts of the Islands District, the new school will also help meet the overall demand for boarding places from children with moderate ID from other Districts.

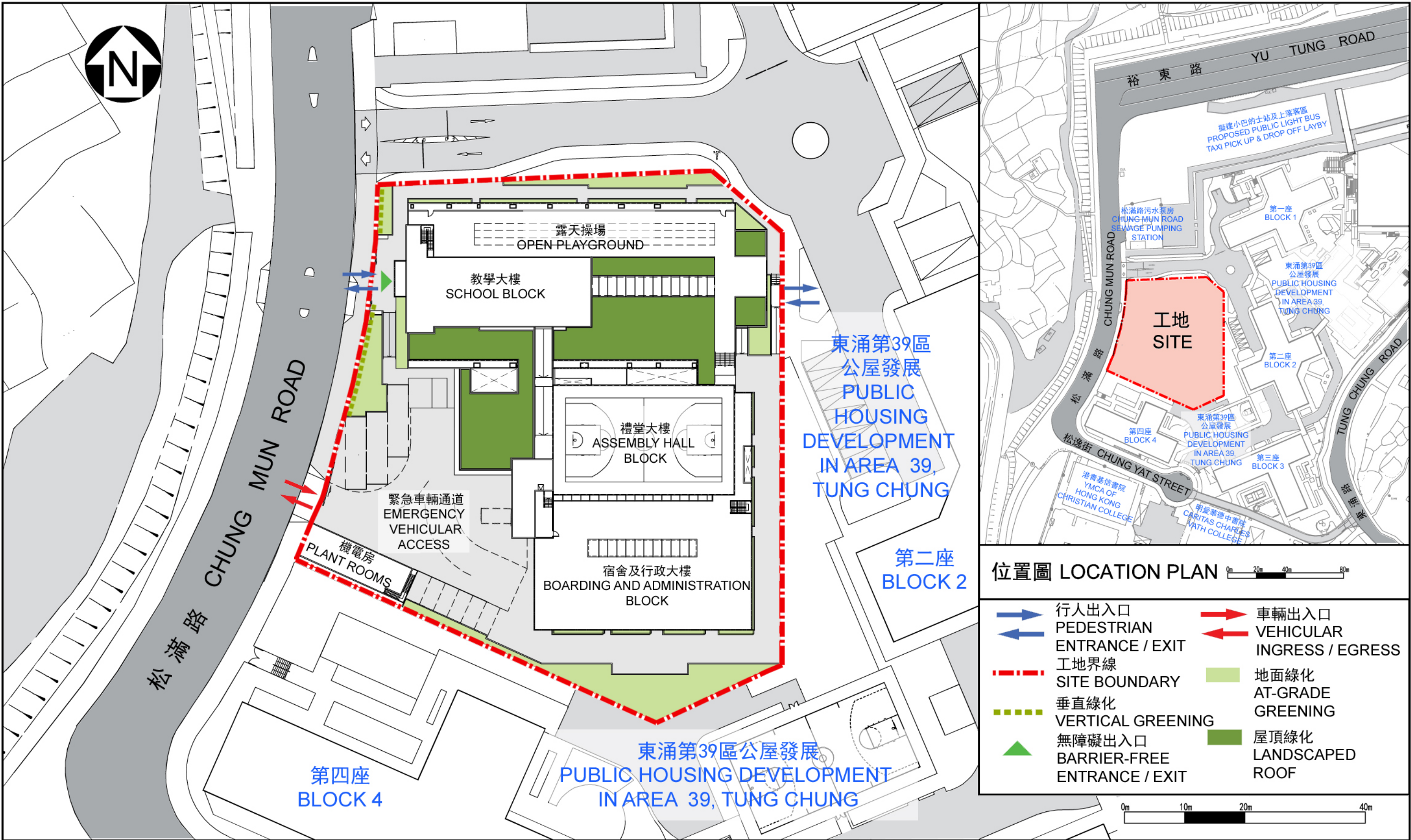
IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

6. We plan to seek the endorsement and funding approval of the Public Works Subcommittee and the Finance Committee (FC) of the Legislative Council for the proposed project in January and February 2017 respectively. Subject to funding approval of FC, we plan to commence the construction works in the second quarter of 2017 for completion in the third quarter of 2019.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

7. We consulted the Community Affairs, Culture and Recreation Committee of the Islands District Council on 4 July 2016. We also consulted the Tung Chung Rural Committee on 31 July 2016. Members of both Committees supported the project.

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SITE PLAN

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