For information

Legislative Council Panel on Development and Panel on Home Affairs Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project

Follow-up to the meeting on 13 June 2017

Update on the development of Xiqu Centre

West Kowloon Cultural District Authority (WKCDA) was requested to provide information about the facilities/venues to be developed in Xiqu Centre (e.g. Grand Theatre, Tea House, Seminar Hall, rehearsal room, library), including their respective capacities (e.g. number of seats in each venue).

A summary of the facilities/venues to be provided in Xiqu Centre and their respective capacities are set out below –

- 1 050-seat Grand Theatre
- 200-seat Tea House Theatre
- 120-seat Seminar Hall
- Eight Rehearsal Halls and Practice Rooms (approximate gross floor area (GFA) of each ranging from about 30 square metres (sqm) to 260 sqm)
- Atrium (approximate GFA of 450 sqm)
- Retail/dining/entertainment facilities (approximate GFA of 5 500 sqm)

Update on the development of Lyric Theatre Complex

The Administration and WKCDA were requested to provide, with respect to each facility in the West Kowloon Cultural District (WKCD) (including arts/cultural facilities, the integrated basement (IB), the Artist Square Bridge), information about the original project cost estimate, latest estimate, source of funding, original target completion month/year, latest target completion month/year as well as the total cost for developing all these facilities.

The requested information is provided below according to the funding sources of the facilities.

(I) Batch 1 and Batch 2 facilities funded or to be funded by WKCDA

Facilities	Project estimates ¹	Original target completion date	Latest target completion date
	(in money-of-	_	_
	the-day prices)		
Xiqu Centre	\$2.5 - 2.6 billion ²	Mid-2017	End 2017
M+	\$5 billion ³	End 2018	End 2018
Lyric Theatre	Pending ⁴	LT: Around 2020	Around 2021
Complex		MT II: 2022 at	
(comprising the		the earliest	
original Lyric		BBT/CCP: 2022	
Theatre (LT),		at the earliest	
Medium Theatre			
II (MT II) and			
one of the Black			
Box Theatres			
(BBT) in Centre			
for Contemporary			
Performance			
(CCP))			

Facilities	Project estimates ¹	Original target completion date	Latest target completion date
	(in money-of-	completion date	completion date
	the-day prices)		
Art Park	\$1 billion ³	In stages from the	In stages from the
(including	(including actual	end of 2017 to the	end of 2017 to the
Freespace)	project cost of	end of 2018	end of 2018
	\$30 million for		
	M+ Pavilion)		
M+ Pavilion		2016	Completed in
			June 2016

Note:

- 1. As all the facilities, except M+ Pavilion, are yet to be completed, their actual project costs are not available at this stage.
- 2. The project estimate of Xiqu Centre was reported to the Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project (Joint Subcommittee) on 3 July 2013 (LC Paper No. CB(2)1492/12-13(02)).
- 3. The project estimates of these facilities were reported to the Joint Subcommittee on 3 July 2013 (LC Paper No. CB(2)1492/12-13(02)) and 28 May 2014 (LC Paper No. CB(2)1591/13-14(01)).
- 4. The latest project estimate of Lyric Theatre Complex is pending since the tendering for the main works is in progress.

(II) <u>Facility to be funded by the donation from the Hong Kong Jockey Club</u> Charities Trust

Facility	Project estimate	Original target	Latest target
	(in money-of-	completion date	completion date
	the-day prices)		
Hong Kong	\$3.5 billion ¹	2022	2022
Palace Museum			

Note:

1. The project estimate was reported to the House Committee on 6 January 2017 (LC Paper No. CB(2)544/16-17(01)).

(III) Facilities funded or to be funded by the Government

(a) IB and Public Infrastructure Works (PIW) with funding approved by the Finance Committee (FC)

Project	Approved project estimates (in money-of- the-day prices)	Original target completion date	Latest Target completion date
IB for WKCD – first and second stages of design, site investigation and construction works (Scope of works is at Annex 1)	\$2,919.5 million	First quarter of 2019	Construction works for Zones 3A and 3B to be substantially completed in the first quarter of 2019; preliminary design for Zones 2A, 2B and 2C to be substantially completed by the end of 2018 while detailed design for Zone 2A to be substantially completed by the end of 2019.
Infrastructure Works for WKCD phase 1 – design and site investigation	\$478 million	In stages by the end of 2017	Design and site investigation for the first construction package of PIW for WKCD (Scope of works is at Annex 2) and those for the underground road in Zone 3A were substantially completed in the second quarter of

Project	Approved project estimates (in money-of- the-day prices)	Original target completion date	Latest Target completion date
			2015; those for the underground road in Zone 3B were substantially completed in the second quarter of 2017; and those for the remaining works have to be completed in stages to tie in with the phased implementation programme of WKCD's facilities.
Infrastructure Works for WKCD phase 1 – first construction package (Scope of works is at Annex 2)	\$840.5 million	In stages by the fourth quarter of 2018	In stages by the fourth quarter of 2018

(b) IB and PIW Projects supported by the Public Works Sub-committee and awaiting FC's approval

Project	Project estimates (in money-of-the-	Implementation Programme
	day prices)	
IB for WKCD –	\$3,638.5 million	To tie in with the latest
third stage of		implementation programme of Lyric
construction works		Theatre Complex, the third stage of
(Scope of works is		construction works would be
at Annex 1)		substantially completed in phases by
		2021. Tender was invited in
		February 2017 and closed in June
		2017. Subject to FC's approval, the
		contract will be awarded in due
		course.

(c) IB and PIW projects to be included in future funding applications

	Project	Project estimates (in money- of-the-day prices)	Implementation Programme
1	Construction of the essential basement structure, underground road and associated PIW for Zones 2A, 2B and 2C	Pending	The preliminary design of Zones 2A, 2B and 2C is in progress and targeted to be completed by the end of 2018 and the detailed design for Zone 2A will be substantially completed by the end of 2019. Funding approval will be sought to tie in with the implementation programme of the facilities and topside development of WKCDA in these zones.
2	Construction of Artist Square Bridge	Pending	The Government is critically reviewing the Artist Square

	Project	Project	Implementation Programme
		estimates	
		(in money-	
		of-the-day	
		prices)	
			Bridge project with WKCDA. Subject to the review outcome, the time taken for making design changes and the finalisation of the cost estimate, we will submit the revised funding proposal to the Joint Subcommittee in 2017/18
			legislative session tentatively.
3	Beautification works for the existing pedestrian subway across the junction of Austin Road West and Canton Road	Pending	Following the finalisation of the cost estimate, the funding proposal, together with the funding proposal of Project 4 below, will be submitted to the Joint Subcommittee around the first quarter of 2018 tentatively.
4	Pedestrian linkage system between MTR Austin Station and Xiqu Centre	Pending	Currently in detailed design stage. Following the finalisation of the cost estimate, the funding proposal, together with the funding proposal of Project 3 above, will be submitted to the Joint Subcommittee around the first quarter of 2018 tentatively.
5	Remaining works: mainly comprise the remaining works of the at-grade road, flyover across the toll plaza of the Western Harbour Crossing, pedestrian	Pending	Currently in investigation and design stages. These remaining works will be implemented in packages to tie in with the phased implementation of the WKCD project. Cost estimates can only be finalised after the completion

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linkage systems linking WKCD with Kowloon Park and Kowloon Station, berthing/landing facilities for vessels and modification of existing seawall, underground drainage, sewage and water supply systems	prices	of the design work.

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