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Subject: Submission of View on Lantau Tomorrow Vision

Dear Sir,

As a member of the post 90s, I notice that the shortage of land resources in Hong Kong had posed tremendous financial pressure onto ours, as well as the future generation in finding places to live. As a civil engineering graduate, I believe reclamation is an effective and feasible solution to such problem. Therefore, I support the *Lantau Tomorrow Vision* and the associated construction of artificial islands in the central waters.

Here are some of my views on the feasibility and benefits of creating new residential area through reclamation compared to one of the other alternative solutions, urban renewal.

1. On one hand, developing residential area on newly reclaimed land could make city planning more effective as ample space can be secured for infrastructure (eg. school, recreational use area, shopping center, transportation etc.) in creating a living environment that meets the living standard in Hong Kong. While this would not be a problem in reclaimed land projects, it is rather a strenuous and lengthy process to resume the land from private owners of the properties through redeveloping the old districts, making it hard to plan and redevelop the area as a whole.
2. On the other hand, developing a new town on the reclaimed land would poses less impact to the cities since the construction is far away from the crowded city, minimizing the need to temporarily divert the traffic or utilities (eg. electricity, water supply, drainage etc.). It is also more feasible to construct a reliable underground utility service system in newly developed area than in developed urban area as the increased population would produce an extra burden to the existing utility system in old districts, further increasing the technicality of the redevelopment project.

To conclude, the *Lantau Tomorrow Vision* would be an effective alleviation to the ever-shortening land supply in Hong Kong, creating a suitable living environment for our future generation while minimizing the impact to the existing community. Please kindly consider my above points of view in your study.

Best Regards,
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