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Public Works Subcommittee of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council

Minutes of the special meeting held in Conference Room 1 of the Legislative Council Complex on Monday, 6 January 2020, at 4:30 pm

Members present:

Ir Dr Hon LO Wai-kwok, SBS, MH, JP (Chairman) Hon Charles Peter MOK, JP (Deputy Chairman) Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, GBS, JP Hon CHAN Hak-kan, BBS, JP Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG Mei-fun, SBS, JP Hon Claudia MO Hon Michael TIEN Puk-sun, BBS, JP Hon CHAN Chi-chuen Hon CHAN Han-pan, BBS, JP Hon Alice MAK Mei-kuen, BBS, JP Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung Dr Hon Helena WONG Pik-wan Hon Alvin YEUNG Hon CHU Hoi-dick Dr Hon Junius HO Kwan-yiu, JP Hon Holden CHOW Ho-ding Hon Wilson OR Chong-shing, MH Hon Tanya CHAN Hon CHEUNG Kwok-kwan, JP

Hon LUK Chung-hung, JP Hon LAU Kwok-fan, MH Hon KWONG Chun-yu Hon Jeremy TAM Man-ho Hon Vincent CHENG Wing-shun, MH, JP Hon Tony TSE Wai-chuen, BBS Hon CHAN Hoi-yan

Members absent:

Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, GBS, JP Hon Frankie YICK Chi-ming, SBS, JP Hon WU Chi-wai, MH Hon MA Fung-kwok, SBS, JP Hon LEUNG Che-cheung, SBS, MH, JP Hon Christopher CHEUNG Wah-fung, SBS, JP Hon HO Kai-ming Hon HUI Chi-fung Dr Hon CHENG Chung-tai

Public officers attending:

Mr Howard LEE Man-sing	Deputy Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury (Treasury)3
Mr LAM Sai-hung, JP	Permanent Secretary for Development (Works)
Ms Doris HO Pui-ling, JP	Permanent Secretary for Development (Planning and Lands) (Acting)
Mr Elvis AU Wai-kwong, JP	Deputy Director of Environmental Protection (1)
Ms Margaret HSIA Mai-chi	Principal Assistant Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury (Treasury) (Works)
Mr Frankie FUNG Yiu-man	Chief Assistant Secretary (Works)1 Development Bureau

Mrs Sylvia LAM YU Ka-wai, JP	Director of Architectural Services
Mr Stephen IP Shing-tak	Chief Technical Adviser (Subvented Projects) Architectural Services Department
Mr Ricky LAU Chun-ki, JP	Director of Civil Engineering and Development
Mr Kelvin LO Kwok-wah, JP	Director of Drainage Services
Mr Jimmy CHAN Pai-ming, JP	Director of Highways
Mr WONG Chung-leung, JP	Director of Water Supplies
Mr PANG Yiu-hung, JP	Deputy Director of Electrical and Mechanical Services (Regulatory Services)
Mr VY Ek-chin	Assistant Director of Electrical and Mechanical Services (Electricity and Energy Efficiency)
Clerk in attendance:	
Ms Doris LO	Chief Council Secretary (1)2
Staff in attendance:	
Mr Keith WONG Ms Christy YAU Ms Clara LO	Council Secretary (1)2 Legislative Assistant (1)8 Legislative Assistant (1)9

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<u>The Chairman</u> advised that there was only one item on the agenda of this special meeting, i.e. briefing by the Administration on the forecast of submissions for the 2019-2020 legislative session for the consideration of the Public Works Subcommittee ("Subcommittee").

Briefing on forecast of submissions for the 2019-20 Legislative Council Session

PWSCI(2019-20)17 - Forecast of submissions for the 2019-20 Legislative Council Session

2. <u>The Chairman</u> advised that the Administration had provided the Subcommittee earlier with an information note <u>PWSCI(2019-20)17</u>, giving an overview of the listed 96 capital works projects submitted or forecast to be submitted to the Subcommittee for consideration in the 2019-2020 legislative session.

3. <u>The Chairman</u> reminded members that as the information note did not involve any funding requests, hence there were not any questions which required to be put to vote. Moreover, pursuant to the relevant ruling he had made previously, the procedure for proposing motions under paragraph 32A of the Public Works Subcommittee Procedure did not apply to this agenda item. Members who had any views on the projects set out in the information note might write directly to the relevant bureaux or departments after the meeting, or raise their views at meetings of the relevant Panels.

4. <u>The Chairman</u> also pointed out that after the meeting, the Clerk to the Subcommittee would circulate the project list to the relevant Legislative Council Panels for members of these Panels to indicate which projects required discussion in the Panels before the related funding proposals were submitted to the Subcommittee. The Clerk would relay the Panels' views to the Administration so that appropriate consultation arrangements could be made.

5. Deputy Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury (Treasury)3 ("DS(Tsy)3/FSTB") advised that the Government hoped the information note PWSCI(2019-20)17 provided to the Subcommittee would enable members to have a preliminary understanding of the projects. A total of 96 capital works projects were forecast to be submitted to the Subcommittee for consideration in the current legislative year, including the provision for Capital Works Reserve Fund ("CWRF") block allocations for 2020-2021, two requests for increasing the approved project estimates ("APEs") of projects as well as 93 new projects. Up to the last Subcommittee meeting (i.e. the one held on 11 December 2019), the Subcommittee had endorsed 21 projects carried over from the last legislative session which totalled around \$20.3 billion, while the remaining 70-odd projects totalled around He pointed out that the information such as costs on the \$105 billion. projects provided by the Government at present was the best projection made by various departments at this stage. The actual timing for submitting individual project items to the Subcommittee for consideration would depend on the preparation progress of the projects, the outcome of consultation with the relevant Panels, etc. It might also be affected by the progress of the meetings of the Subcommittee. He added that members were welcomed to make further enquiries with the Administration directly about individual items so as to have a better grasp of the project details. This would help shorten the scrutiny time when the Government officially submitted the projects to the Subcommittee in the future.

6. <u>Mr Holden CHOW</u> said that the end of the sixth term of office of the Legislative Council was only about six months away. He enquired whether the Administration would consider submitting funding proposals for non- controversial projects to the Subcommittee first, so that more projects could be endorsed before the end of the term of office.

7. <u>DS(Tsy)3/FSTB</u> advised that when determining the priority for submitting project funding proposals to the Subcommittee for consideration, the Government would give comprehensive and holistic consideration to a host of factors, including the urgency and preparation progress of various projects, the completion of the relevant statutory procedures, and the outcome of consultation with Panels.

Price adjustment factors for the projects

8. <u>Dr Fernando CHEUNG</u> noted that the Administration applied price adjustment factors for deriving the cost estimate of the works projects in money-of-the-day prices. Considering the slowdown in the local and global economy since the second half of 2019, he requested the Administration to provide supplementary information on when the latest price adjustment factors were updated, and whether the local and global economic environment since the latter half of 2019 was taken into account when the updating was done.

(*Post-meeting note:* The supplementary information provided by the Administration was circulated to members vide <u>LC Paper No.</u> <u>PWSC124/19-20(01)</u> (Chinese version only) on 2 April 2020.)

9. <u>DS(Tsy)3/FSTB</u> advised that the price adjustment factors currently adopted by the Government were derived from a set of assumptions made on the prices of public sector building and construction output. In the process of making such assumptions, the Government had taken into full account the latest position of a number of relevant factors already known, such as the annual and quarterly data on the prices of public sector building and construction output, the overall situation in the labour market, the latest

changes in wages and prices of construction materials in the construction industry, as well as trends in global and local economic performance. The Government would update the price adjustment factors adopted in the funding applications regarding capital works projects annually.

Concerns raised by members on individual projects

5792CL — Government Records Service's Archives Centre — site formation

10. <u>Ms Claudia MO</u> pointed out that the Administration had consulted the Panel on Constitutional Affairs on the site formation works for the Government Records Service's Archives Centre. She enquired why such works were currently categorized as a project under the Offices of the Chief Secretary for Administration and the Financial Secretary.

11. <u>Director of Civil Engineering and Development</u> ("DCED") advised that since the Government Records Service was a government department under the Office of the Chief Secretary for Administration, the site formation works were therefore a project commissioned by the latter.

7332CL (part) — West Kowloon Reclamation — main works (remainder) — footbridge at the junction of Sham Mong Road and Hing Wah Street West in Sham Shui Po

12. <u>Ms Tanya CHAN</u> and <u>Mr Vincent CHENG</u> pointed out that the Administration proposed to provide two lifts at each of the three crossheads of the footbridge system to be constructed at the junction of Sham Mong Road and Hing Wah Street West ("proposed footbridge system"). They requested the Administration to explain the justifications for providing more than one lift at each crosshead, and whether it had formulated relevant planning standards regarding the number of lifts required for the footbridge system.

13. <u>DCED</u> acknowledged members' concern about the number of lifts required for the footbridge system and details of the Government's relevant planning standards. The Government was preparing the relevant information and would give detailed explanations when submitting the project to the Subcommittee for consideration.

14. <u>Mr Vincent CHENG</u> requested the Administration to consider constructing a covered walkway to connect the proposed footbridge system with Hoi Lai Estate, or else members belonging to the Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong ("DAB") would have

3129KA — Water Supplies Department Headquarters with Hong Kong and Islands Regional Office and Correctional Services Department Headquarters Building in Chai Wan

15. <u>Dr Fernando CHEUNG</u> requested the Administration to provide supplementary information on the details of the facilities to be provided in Water Supplies Department ("WSD") Headquarters with Hong Kong and Islands ("HK&I") Regional Office and Correctional Services Department ("CSD") Headquarters Building in Chai Wan, and the preliminary design plans of the two buildings.

(*Post-meeting note:* The supplementary information provided by the Administration was circulated to members vide <u>LC Paper No.</u> <u>PWSC124/19-20(01)</u> (Chinese version only) on 2 April 2020.)

16. <u>Director of Architectural Services</u> ("DArchS") advised that when the relevant Panel was consulted on the project to construct WSD Headquarters with HK&I Regional Office and CSD Headquarters Building in Chai Wan, the Government had already submitted the site plan to the Panel. Regarding the CSD Headquarters Building, the facilities to be provided in the new building would be largely similar to those provided in the CSD Headquarters currently accommodated in Wanchai Tower.

5751CL — Planning and engineering study on Sunny Bay reclamation and 5782CL — Engineering study on Road P1 (Tai Ho – Sunny Bay Section)

17. <u>Ms Claudia MO</u> enquired whether Sunny Bay reclamation was a land reclamation project under the Lantau Tomorrow Vision ("LTV"). <u>Mr Holden CHOW</u> urged the Administration to commence the engineering study on North Lantau Road P1 (Tai Ho – Sunny Bay Section) as soon as possible.

18. <u>DCED</u> advised that Sunny Bay reclamation was part of the near-shore reclamation under LTV, and the project had been planned for years. Near- shore reclamation at Sunny Bay was proposed by the Government in the Enhancing Land Supply Strategy in as early as 2011, and obtained the support of the Panel on Development in 2017. He pointed out that Sunny Bay reclamation and reclamation in the Central Waters were two different projects, and with regard to the railway section of LTV's major transport infrastructure, a station might be provided at Sunny Bay as a rail link connecting Tuen Mun and the Kau Yi Chau Artificial Islands in the

future. The proposed North Lantau Road P1 (Tai Ho – Sunny Bay Section) would also connect Sunny Bay. He added that the Administration would submit the engineering study on North Lantau Road P1 (Tai Ho – Sunny Bay Section) to the Subcommittee for consideration as soon as possible.

5043CG — Greening Master Plans for the New Territories

19. <u>Mr Wilson OR</u> and <u>Mr CHAN Han-pan</u> expressed support for the expeditious completion of the relevant works under the Greening Master Plans ("GMPs") for the New Territories. <u>Mr OR</u> also urged the Administration to pay heed to the long-term maintenance of the relevant greening facilities upon completion of the works to ensure that the facilities would be kept clean and sightly.

20. <u>DCED</u> advised that the Government had completed the priority greening works under GMPs for urban areas and GMPs for Southeast and Northwest New Territories in the past few years. It was seeking funding approval for the priority greening works under GMPs for Northeast and Southwest New Territories, and hoped that the greening works in Northeast and Southwest New Territories would be completed in the next four years. Regarding the maintenance of greening facilities, the Civil Engineering and Development Department ("CEDD") had maintained close liaison with the Leisure and Cultural Services Department. Learning from past experience, CEDD would explore increasing the density of shrubs to be grown in the planting sites in order to minimize the space for litter disposal in those sites, thereby preventing members of the public from littering in the planters.

3355EP — A 30-classroom primary school at Site KT2c, Development at Anderson Road, Kwun Tong

21. Pointing out that a number of public housing estates in the vicinity of the Development at Anderson Road had been completed for intake in recent years, <u>Mr Wilson OR</u> urged the Administration to expeditiously implement the primary school project at the Development at Anderson Road to meet the demand of local students for school places.

22. <u>DArchS</u> advised that the Architectural Services Department would discuss with the Education Bureau the feasibility of expediting the construction of the primary school premises at the Development at Anderson Road. She added that the Development at Anderson Road was currently served by a new school located near On Tat Estate, and the construction of another school was also underway.

5051CG — Provision of a District Cooling System for Kwu Tung North New Development Area

23. <u>Mr CHAN Chi-chuen</u> enquired how the Administration would implement the District Cooling System ("DCS") at Kwu Tung North new development area at the present stage when the site formation works for the area were still in progress. In addition, he requested the Administration to provide members with the operational data of the existing DCS at the Kai Tak Development ("KTD") when the project was submitted to the Subcommittee for consideration so that members could have a better understanding of the effectiveness of DCSs.

24. Deputy Director of Electrical and Mechanical Services (Regulatory Services) replied that the Government planned to commence the DCS project at Kwu Tung North in the second quarter of 2020, having regard to the need to carry out certain parts of the project in tandem with the site formation works and the construction of new roads at Kwu Tung North new The parts concerned included the laying of underground development area. pipes required for DCS, so as to reduce the number of road excavations for laying pipes. Besides, since DCS was an infrastructure facility in the new development area, it was necessary to complete the DCS works before the completion of the new buildings in the area to ensure the provision of air-conditioning by DCS in these new buildings. When the Government submitted the funding proposal to the Subcommittee, it would also provide the operational data of DCS at KTD for members' reference.

8029EK — Library extension and revitalization

25. <u>Mr CHAN Chi-chuen</u> and <u>Dr Helena WONG</u> said that the Administration had earlier withdrawn the funding proposal for library extension and revitalization of The Hong Kong Polytechnic University ("PolyU") from the agenda of a Subcommittee meeting. They requested the Administration to explain whether any members had stopped the Government from submitting the relevant item to the Subcommittee for consideration, and when the item would be re-submitted to the Subcommittee for deliberation.

26. <u>Mr Vincent CHENG</u> and <u>Mr CHAN Han-pan</u> said that Members belonging to DAB had not stopped the Administration from submitting the above item to the Subcommittee for consideration. <u>Mr CHAN</u> pointed out that since the PolyU campus had been severely vandalized in the recent social events, there were views that the Administration should, before carrying out the extension works of PolyU, review whether the security measures in PolyU were adequate to protect the campus from vandalism. 27. <u>DS(Tsy)3/FSTB</u> advised that the PolyU campus and many facilities, including the library, had suffered considerably from the recent events that had taken place within the campus. Therefore, PolyU needed additional time to assess the condition of the library and review the timetable of the project concerned so that it could consider the future logistical arrangements for various works and the impact on its operation. Having discussed with PolyU, the Government considered that the item should be withdrawn from the agenda of the Subcommittee meeting for the time being. He added that PolyU would complete the review as soon as possible, and there was no further information or timetable for the re-submission of the item to the Subcommittee for consideration at this juncture.

(Project codes to be announced) Renovation of facilities in Choh-Ming LI Basic Medical Sciences Building, The Chinese University of Hong Kong and Construction of additional academic building and ancillary facilities for Faculty of Medicine of the University of Hong Kong

28. <u>Mr CHAN Chi-chuen</u>, <u>Mr KWONG Chun-yu</u>, <u>Dr Fernando</u> <u>CHEUNG</u> and <u>Dr Helena WONG</u> requested the Administration to advise when the two proposed funding proposals relating to The Chinese University of Hong Kong and the University of Hong Kong would be submitted to the Subcommittee. They also requested the Administration to provide supplementary information on the reasons why the project codes of the two projects had yet to be announced.

29. <u>DS(Tsy)3/FSTB</u> replied that the Government had consulted the relevant Panels on the above two projects in January 2019, and would submit the two funding proposals to the Subcommittee as soon as possible upon completion of the remaining preparatory work. He added that it was the Government's established practice to consider the urgency and preparation progress of a public works project, the completion of the necessary statutory and consultation procedures, etc. in determining when the project would be submitted to the Subcommittee for consideration. Whether a code had been assigned to a project had nothing to do with when it would be taken forward. The Government would provide supplementary information on the project codes of the two projects.

(*Post-meeting note:* The supplementary information provided by the Administration was circulated to members vide <u>LC Paper No.</u> <u>PWSC124/19-20(01)</u> (Chinese version only) on 2 April 2020.)

3189GK — Construction of a joint-user building for reprovisioning a refuse collection point and setting up a community recycling centre at the junction between Hung Yuen Road and Hung Ping Road, Yuen Long

30. Noting that both a refuse collection point and a community recycling centre would be provided in the proposed joint-user building in Yuen Long, <u>Mr CHU Hoi-dick</u> requested the Administration to provide supplementary information on whether it would consider the inclusion of a community recycling centre when setting up new refuse collection points in other districts in future.

(*Post-meeting note:* The supplementary information provided by the Administration was circulated to members vide <u>LC Paper No.</u> <u>PWSC124/19-20(01)</u> (Chinese version only) on 2 April 2020.)

8004MJ — Expansion of United Christian Hospital

31. <u>Mr Wilson OR</u> declared that he was a member of the Hospital Governing Committee of United Christian Hospital ("UCH"). Given the tremendous healthcare needs in Kowloon East at present, <u>Mr OR</u> urged the Administration to expeditiously commence the expansion project of UCH, and duly consult the local stakeholders on the project. He requested the Administration to provide supplementary information on the expected dates of commencement and completion in respect of the expansion project, as well as whether and how it would consult the stakeholders on the details of the project.

(*Post-meeting note:* The supplementary information provided by the Administration was circulated to members vide <u>LC Paper No.</u> <u>PWSC124/19-20(01)</u> (Chinese version only) on 2 April 2020.)

3085MM — Hospital Authority Supporting Services Centre

32. <u>Dr Fernando CHEUNG</u> requested the Administration to provide supplementary information on how the Hospital Authority Supporting Services Centre in Tung Chung would help to improve the logistics support of the Hospital Authority upon its completion.

(*Post-meeting note:* The supplementary information provided by the Administration was circulated to members vide <u>LC Paper No.</u> <u>PWSC124/19-20(01)</u> (Chinese version only) on 2 April 2020.)

3075RE — Expansion of Hong Kong Science Museum and Hong Kong Museum of History and 3295RS — Provision of heated pool at the Pao Yue Kong Swimming Pool Complex in the Southern District

33. <u>Mr Vincent CHENG</u> requested the Administration to provide members with detailed information on the expansion project of Hong Kong Science Museum and Hong Kong Museum of History and the improvement works for the Pao Yue Kong Swimming Pool Complex when the relevant funding proposals were submitted to the Subcommittee, including the layout plans of the new buildings. <u>DArchS</u> took note of Mr CHENG's request and would follow up with the relevant departments.

3032LJ — Additional courtrooms and associated facilities at lower ground fourth floor in the High Court Building

34. <u>Mr CHU Hoi-dick</u> pointed out that the Administration had planned to construct a new High Court Building ("new HCB") at Site 5 of the new Central Harbourfront to meet the need of the Court for additional space. He enquired whether the proposed construction of additional courtrooms and associated facilities on the lower ground fourth floor of HCB implied that the planning process and construction of the new HCB would not commence in the near future.

35. <u>DArchS</u> advised that the works concerned were of a relatively minor scale with the main objective of addressing the current overall shortage of courtrooms. Regarding the project to relocate HCB to the new Central Harbourfront, she said that she did not have any information about the project at the time, but would relay the member's views to the Judiciary and advise members on matters relating to the new HCB when the item was submitted to the Subcommittee for consideration.

B812CL — Site formation and infrastructure works for public housing developments at Pik Wan Road, Yau Tong

36. <u>Mr Wilson OR</u> said that different local stakeholders in Yau Tong had diverse views on the proposed construction of public housing at Pik Wan Road. He urged the Administration to step up local consultation efforts on the project to reconcile the views of different parties.

37. <u>DCED</u> advised that the Government had listened to the views of local stakeholders on the public housing developments at Pik Wan Road, and would address their concerns and aspirations regarding public housing developments by all means.

3402IO — Provision of facilities and accommodation for various government departments to support the Three-Runway System at Hong Kong International Airport and 3278LP — Provision of Police facilities to support the Three-Runway System at Hong Kong International Airport

38. <u>Mr Jeremy TAM</u> pointed out that the police facilities to be provided under the Three-Runway System ("3RS") project at Hong Kong International Airport ("HKIA") would be used for purposes including training of the Police Force. He opined that the reclaimed land for 3RS at HKIA was precious land resource that should be reserved for the provision of aviation-related facilities, but the Administration proposed to provide police training facilities on the reclaimed land. <u>Mr TAM</u> disagreed to the relevant arrangement. In addition, <u>Mr TAM</u> and <u>Mr CHAN Chi-chuen</u> requested the Administration to provide supplementary information on whether the two projects relating to 3RS at HKIA could be submitted separately to the Subcommittee for separate deliberation and voting. They considered that such an arrangement could enhance the efficiency of deliberations.

(*Post-meeting note:* The supplementary information provided by the Administration was circulated to members vide <u>LC Paper No.</u> <u>PWSC124/19-20(01)</u> (Chinese version only) on 2 April 2020.)

39. <u>DS(Tsy)3/FSTB</u> replied that since the two items were related to the same project, the relevant bureau intended to submit them under one funding proposal for consideration by the Subcommittee. He added that related items with similarities or geographical proximity were normally consolidated in one funding submission for consideration by the Subcommittee, with a view to facilitating members' holistic consideration of the project. He would convey members' views on the voting arrangements to the relevant bureau for consideration.

6061TR — Shatin to Central Link — construction of railway works — remaining works and 6062TR — Shatin to Central Link — construction of non-railway works — remaining works

40. <u>Ms Tanya CHAN</u> said that regarding the series of works quality problems of the Hung Hom Station Extension under the Shatin to Central Link ("SCL") project, the Administration and the MTR Corporation Limited had not yet identified the party to be held responsible and the party to be held liable for the additional costs incurred for the relevant remedial measures. She enquired whether the increase in APE for the SCL project, which the Administration planned to seek the Subcommittee's endorsement, would be used to cover the costs of the remedial works arising from the works quality problems of Hung Hom Station.

41. <u>Director of Highways</u> ("DHy") advised that the increase in APE for the SCL project, which the Government would seek the Subcommittee's endorsement, would mainly be used to cover the increase in costs caused by the unforeseeable factors in the course of construction, such as additional archaeological work at Sung Wong Toi Station. As for the additional costs incurred for the remedial works arising from the works quality problems of Hung Hom Station, the Government considered at the present stage that they should not be borne by the Government. The Government would explain in detail the relevant considerations and justifications when the item was submitted to the Subcommittee for consideration.

6856TH — Flyover from Kwai Tsing Interchange Upramp to Kwai Chung Road

42. Pointing out that the Administration planned to commence the construction works of the flyover from Kwai Tsing Interchange Upramp to Kwai Chung Road in the third quarter of 2020, <u>Mr CHAN Han-pan</u> enquired whether the Administration could obtain funding approval and commence the works within a short time frame, and whether it had commenced the relevant advance works of the project.

43. <u>DHy</u> advised that the Government had already deployed internal resources to carry out the advance works of the project. Subject to approval of the Finance Committee ("FC") within the current legislative session, the project could commence within the scheduled time.

B776CL — Site formation and infrastructure works for public housing developments at Kam Tin South, Yuen Long

44. <u>Mr CHU Hoi-dick</u> noted from the Government's paper that the site formation and infrastructure works for the public housing developments at Kam Tin South, Yuen Long were scheduled to commence in 2021 and expected to complete in 2026. He opined that the duration of the works was unduly long, and enquired why the relevant works would take five years to complete.

45. <u>DCED</u> advised that the site formation and infrastructure works for the public housing developments at Kam Tin South, Yuen Long covered a total area of 18.5 hectares. The developments mainly included site formation works, construction and improvement works of roads/junctions, geotechnical engineering works, drainage and sewerage works as well as waterworks. He said that the Government would strive to complete the relevant site formation and infrastructure works expeditiously within the scheduled time.

46. <u>Mr CHU Hoi-dick</u> was concerned whether the commissioning of the additional community support facilities to be provided under the public housing developments at Kam Tin South could tie in with the population intake of the public housing developments. He requested the Administration to provide supplementary information on the details of the new supporting community facilities, when the planning work for those supporting community facilities would commence, and whether their completion and commissioning dates could tie in with the population intake schedule.

(*Post-meeting note:* The supplementary information provided by the Administration was circulated to members vide <u>LC Paper No.</u> <u>PWSC124/19-20(01)</u> (Chinese version only) on 2 April 2020.)

47. <u>DCED</u> replied that the overall development schedule of the community facilities in Kam Tin South would depend on the population intake schedule of the developments. He would relay members' concern about the completion time of the facilities to the relevant bureau for follow-up.

48. Regarding the land resumption arrangements for the developments at Kam Tin South, <u>Mr CHU Hoi-dick</u> requested the Administration to provide supplementary information on the timetable for land resumption, and whether the relevant compensation payment for land resumption had been included in the proposed provision for CWRF block allocations for 2020-2021.

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49. <u>Permanent Secretary for Development (Planning and Lands) (Acting)</u> advised that according to the arrangements endorsed by FC, land resumption would not be initiated before funding approval by FC for the main works of the relevant land developments was obtained.

50. <u>The Chairman</u> advised that the Subcommittee would consider the funding proposals for the works projects submitted by the Administration at the next meeting scheduled for 15 January 2020. The special meeting ended at 6:06 pm.

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