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Subject: Widening of Castle Peak Road – Castle Peak Bay

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I write to object to the proposed noise barrier near Hong Kong Gold Coast Phase 1 under the Castle Peak Road Widening project.

The noise barrier proposed by the Highways Department is very ugly and is not acceptable to most of the residents. Residents of Hong Kong Gold Coast Phase 1 have voted against the proposed noise barrier overwhelmingly and requested to plant trees instead. The result has been passed to the Highways Department by our management office on 19 Jan 2015 and copied to DO/Tuen Mun. Yet, the Director of Highways did not respond to our demand.

I trust that the Highways Department should have all along received many negative comments on the noise barriers, such as in Tolo Highway; and in Castle Peak Road, it is not an exception. Many residents regard the noise barrier as ugly monsters and is an eyesore in this beautiful part of Hong Kong. Using similarly noise barriers in residential area is indeed a shame to the Highways Department as it means that the department is old-fashioned and has no idea to improve at all!

I reiterate that the proposed noise barrier must be deleted from the project. Please listen to the voice of the public!

Yours faithfully,

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