

Legislative Council Panel on Housing
Supplementary Information

Purpose

The Legislative Council Panel on Housing requested the Government to provide supplementary information on the Shek Lei Interim Housing (IH) at its meeting on 1 February 2021. The relevant information is provided below.

The differences between public rental housing and IH in respect of the design and materials used

2. The design, construction and finishes materials of the IHs of the Hong Kong Housing Authority (HA) are basically similar to those of the public rental housing (PRH) projects. They were designed according to the Standard Block design adopted for public housing at the time of development, and met the relevant standards on construction, design and materials, as well as the requirements at that time. The current public housing projects adopt a design approach that is site-specific, with non-standard block and Modular Flat Design (MFD) following the design principle of “Functional and Cost Effective”. This effectively addresses site constraints and optimizes site development potential which further enhances efficiency in housing construction.

3. At present, there are two IHs under HA and they are located at Shek Lei of Kwai Chung and Po Tin of Tuen Mun respectively. Shek Lei IH, adopting the Mark IV public housing block design, was formerly Block 10 and Block 11 of Shek Lei Estate and were converted to IH in 1999 and 1997 respectively. As for Po Tin IH, it was built between 2000 and 2001 and its design is similar to the PRH projects completed in the same period of time.

The total area and respective total areas of the site(s) of Shek Lei IH and its adjoining ex-Shek Lei Catholic Primary School

4. The total site area of the proposed public housing development is about 1.08 hectare (ha), of which about 0.93 ha is Shek Lei IH and about 0.15 ha is the adjoining ex-Shek Lei Catholic Primary School.

The occupancy situation of Po Tin IH and information about its residents and other relevant details

5. As at 31 December 2020, there were a total of 4 048 units in Po Tin IH. Among them, 3 225 units were occupied, with an occupancy rate of about 80% and a population of about 4 700.

6. In the past three years, an average of about 400 households were rehoused to Po Tin IH each year, including households affected by the Housing Department's tenancy enforcement actions, Government's clearance/enforcement operations and factors such as natural disasters, etc.

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