

**For discussion on
14 March 2025**

Legislative Council Panel on Health Services

**HKUMed Campus Re-development Project –
Construction of Clinical Training and Amenities Centre**

PURPOSE

This paper seeks Members' views on the proposed Faculty of Medicine of the University of Hong Kong ("HKUMed") Campus Re-development Project – Construction of Clinical Training Amenities Centre (**8069EG**).

BACKGROUND

2. To enable the University Grants Committee ("UGC")-funded universities which offer healthcare training programmes (i.e. the University of Hong Kong ("HKU"), The Chinese University of Hong Kong and The Hong Kong Polytechnic University) to enhance and expand their teaching facilities, the 2018 Policy Address announced that the Government has earmarked \$20 billion for the related short, medium and long-term works projects. As announced in the 2022-23 Budget, another \$10 billion has been set aside to ensure sufficient funding for completing all the planned projects. The Government briefed the Panel on Health Services on 21 January 2019, 5 March 2021, 10 June 2022 and 19 April 2023 on the background and progress of the works projects of the universities, including the proposed project **8069EG**. At the meeting on 19 April 2023, Members noted that HKU has commenced the pre-construction consultancy study for the proposed project **8069EG**.

PROJECT SCOPE

3. The site of the proposed project is at 6 Sassoon Road. Four student residence towers built in the early 1990s, namely R.C. Lee Hall, Wei Lun Hall, Lee Hysan Hall and Madam S.H. Ho Residence are situated at the site. Under the proposed project, the Madam S.H. Ho Residence and its nearby related structures will be demolished, and partial structural strengthening works will be carried out at the other existing buildings. Two towers, i.e. the proposed Clinical Training Amenities Centre (“CTAC”), will be constructed adjacent to the existing buildings. The two towers, of 17 storeys (Tower 1) and 14 storeys (Tower 2) and providing approximately 11 600 square metres (“m²”) in net operational floor area (“NOFA”)¹, will be connected by a covered walkway and will have sufficient loading capacity for emergency vehicle access. The two towers will provide the following facilities –

- (a) accommodation facilities for medical and nursing students who need to undergo clinical training and provide emergency medical support at the Queen Mary Hospital (“QMH”) (about 6 050 m² in NOFA): HKUMed currently offers only 287 bed spaces in its campus in the vicinity of Sassoon Road. The two towers will provide 700 bed spaces, representing a net increase of 413 bed spaces;
- (b) student amenities facilities (about 5 300 m² in NOFA): including such facilities as clinical training room, study room, multi-purpose room, common area, kitchen, canteen, seminar room, meeting room, student wellness consultation room and office; and
- (c) supporting facilities (about 250 m² in NOFA): including such facilities as reception office, management room, store room and laundry room.

The site plan and artist’s impression of the proposed project are at **Enclosures 1 to 2** respectively.

¹ NOFA is the floor area allocated to the users of a building for carrying out the intended activities. Unlike the construction floor area which takes into account all areas within the building structure envelop, NOFA does not include areas for basic facilities (if any) such as toilets, lift lobbies, stair halls, public or shared corridors, stairwells, escalators and lift shafts, pipe or services ducts, barriers-free access facilities, gender mainstreaming facilities, refuse rooms, flat roofs, car parking spaces, loading and unloading areas and mechanical plant rooms, etc.

JUSTIFICATIONS

4. Over the years, the Government has substantially increased the number of UGC-funded places for medical and nursing undergraduate programmes. For HKU, medical undergraduate programme places reached 295 per academic year in the 2022/23 to 2024/25 triennium, up from 235 per academic year in the 2016/17 to 2018/19 triennium (over 20%). Over the last two decades, the total population of students of UGC-funded programmes in HKUMed has increased by nearly twofold, from over 1 600 students in the 2002/03 academic year to nearly 4 700 students in the 2024/25 academic year.

5. The increase in space for teaching and student facilities at HKUMed has all along been unable to keep up with the growth in student population (**Enclosure 3**). The faculty has been facing the long-standing problem of space shortage, and its healthcare teaching facilities and accommodation facilities for medical and nursing students needs to be enhanced and expanded. In addition, medical undergraduate programmes places offered by HKU will increase to 325 per academic year in the 2025/26 to 2027/28 triennium. As a result, there is an imminent need for HKU to take forward the project as soon as possible to avoid further exacerbating the problem of space shortage, such that its capacity in stepping up training of healthcare professionals would be undermined by hardware constraints.

6. The CTAC in the proposed project will be equipped with the necessary clinical training facilities and dedicated medical equipment for senior-year medical students to undertake clinical practices. It will also provide essential facilities in accommodation, canteen, and student amenities for medical and nursing students, who are required to work on shifts for clinical placements and provide emergency medical support from time to time at QMH. Moreover, to support student wellness (including their mental well-being), the proposed project will provide sufficient space for the student wellness team and psychiatrists, clinical psychologists and counsellors. Upon completion of the proposed project, the learning and clinical practicum experience of medical and nursing students will be substantially improved.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

7. The estimated cost of the proposed project is \$1,044.7 million in money-of-the-day prices. The proposed project has no impact on tuition fees. The additional recurrent costs associated with this project will be absorbed by HKU. The proposal has no additional recurrent financial implications for the Government.

IMPLEMENTATION TIMETABLE

8. We plan to submit the funding proposal of the proposed project to the Public Works Subcommittee (“PWSC”) and the Finance Committee (“FC”) within the current legislative session. HKU plans to commence the proposed construction works upon obtaining funding approval from FC for completion in around four years (i.e. 2029). To complete the project on schedule, HKU has made decanting arrangements for students currently residing in the Madam S.H. Ho Residence. HKU has in parallel invited tenders to enable early commencement of the project. The contract will only be awarded after seeking FC’s funding approval.

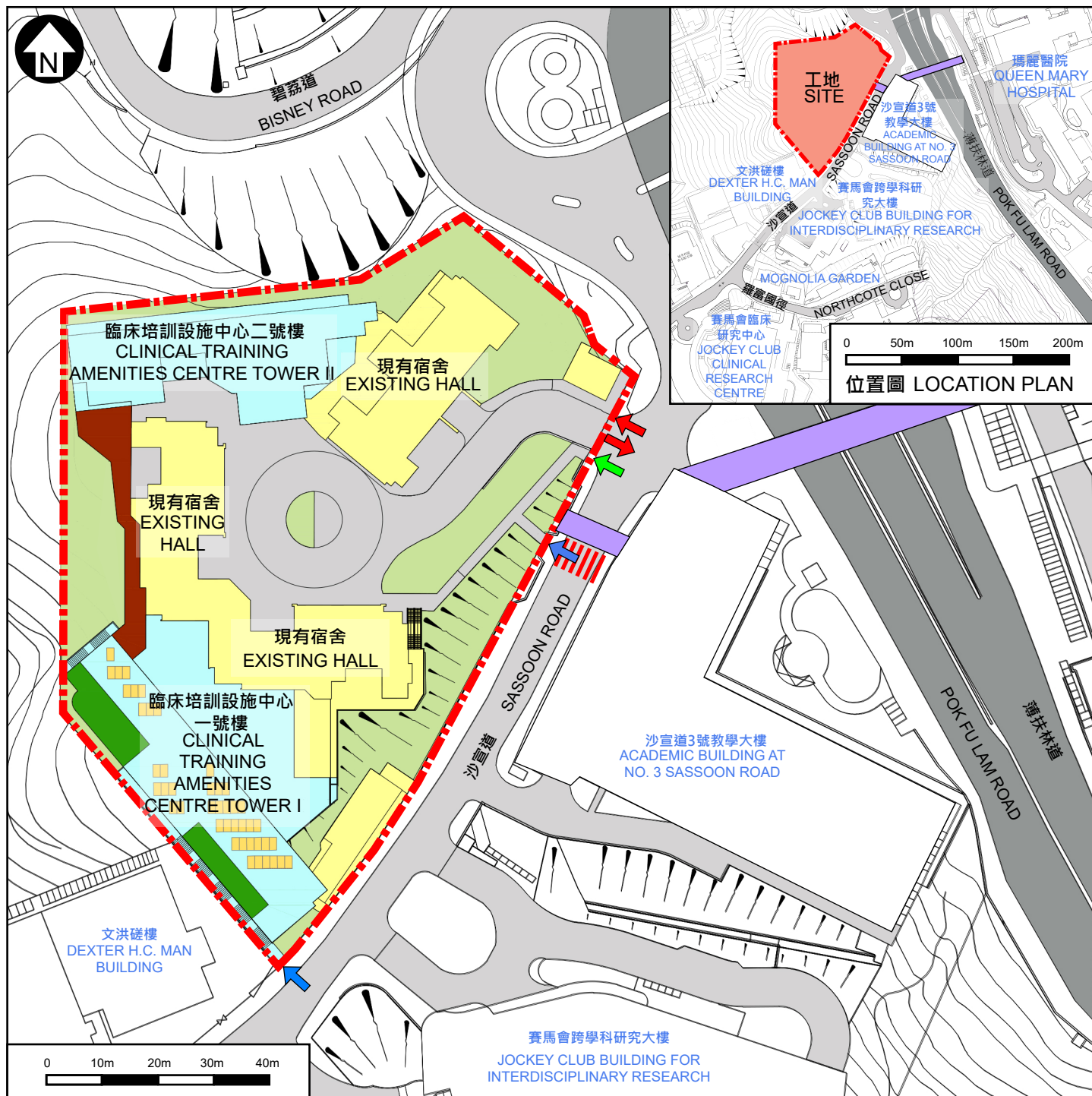
PUBLIC CONSULTATION

9. The proposed project is located within the Sassoon Road Campus of HKU. As there are no residential developments in its immediate vicinity, it is unlikely that the proposed project will affect residents in the area. HKU has, at various occasions, briefed the staff and students of HKUMed and students residing in nearby student residences on the project, and they indicated their support to the proposed project.

WAY FORWARD

10. Subject to Members' views, we plan to seek the support of PWSC of the proposed project, and then to seek funding from FC.

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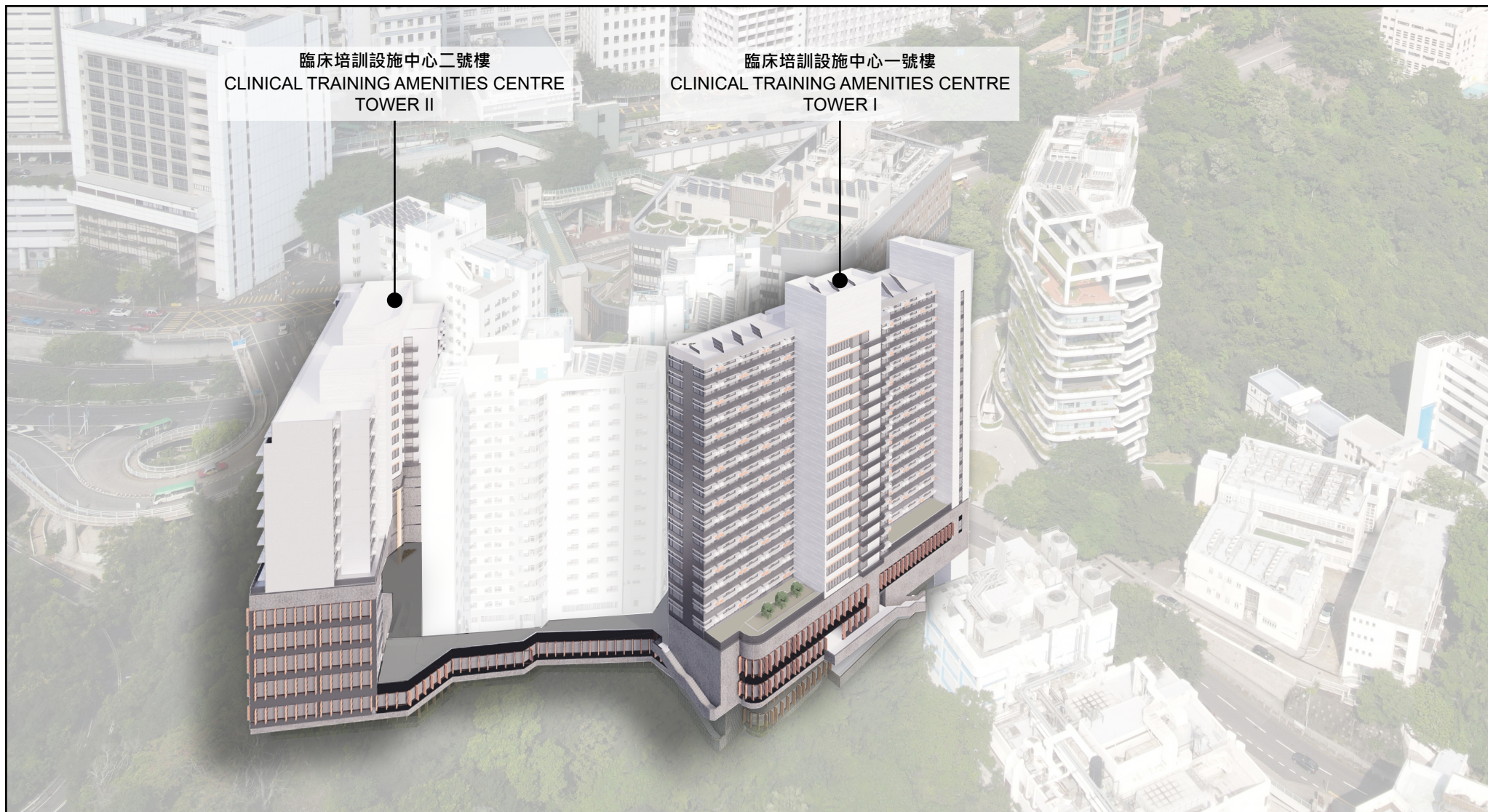


圖例 LEGEND

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| | 工地界線
SITE BOUNDARY | | 現有行人天橋
EXISTING PEDESTRIAN
FOOTBRIDGE | | 擬建新大樓
PROPOSED NEW BUILDING |
| | 現有行人過路處
EXISTING AT-GRADE
PEDESTRIAN CROSSING | | 擬建有蓋行人道
PROPOSED COVERED WALKWAY | | 光伏板
PHOTOVOLTAIC PANEL |
| | 現有行人出入口
EXISTING PEDESTRIAN
ENTRANCE / EXIT | | 擬建地面綠化
PROPOSED AT-GRADE GREENING | | |
| | 現有車輛出入口
EXISTING VEHICULAR
INGRESS / EGRESS | | 擬建綠化範圍
PROPOSED LANDSCAPED AREA | | |
| | 現有無障礙出入口
EXISTING BARRIER-FREE
ENTRANCE / EXIT | | 現有大樓
EXISTING BUILDING | | |

工地平面圖
SITE PLAN

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香港大學沙宣道六號臨床培訓設施中心建造計劃 (主要工程)
CONSTRUCTION OF A CLINICAL TRAINING AMENITIES CENTRE
AT NO.6 SASSOON ROAD, THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG (MAIN WORKS)



從西面望向臨床培訓設施中心的構思透視圖

PERSPECTIVE VIEW OF CLINICAL TRAINING AMENITIES CENTRE FROM WEST DIRECTION

構思圖

ARTIST'S IMPRESSION

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香港大學李嘉誠醫學院
學生總人數教學和學生設施的空間
Student Population and Teaching and Student Facilities of
HKU Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine

2002-03 至 2024-25 年度就讀大學教育資助委員會資助課程學生人數增長 (調整至最接近的百位數)

Increase of student population enrolled in University Grants Committee-funded programmes from 2002-03 to 2024-25 (Rounded to nearest hundred)

	2002-03	2024-25	增幅 (%) % increase
學生總人數 Total Student Population	1 600	4 700	+ 194%

2002-03 至 2024-25 年度教學與學生設施增長 (調整至最接近的百位數)

Increase of Teaching and Student Facilities from 2002-03 to 2024-25 (Rounded to nearest hundred)

空間面積 (平方米) Space (m ²)	2002-03	2024-25	增幅 (%) % increase
教學設施 Teaching facilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 包括演講廳、研討室及導修室、教學實驗室 (生物醫學、微生物學及病理學)、臨床及護理技能實驗室、模擬實驗室, 以及擴增實境/虛擬實境教學設施等。 - Including lecture theatres, seminar and tutorial rooms, teaching laboratories (biomedical sciences, microbiology and pathology), clinical & nursing skills laboratories, simulation laboratories and Augmented Reality/Virtual Reality teaching facilities etc. 	6 500	10 000	+ 54%
學生設施 Student facilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 包括學生宿舍、學習共享空間、圖書館、學生身心健康設施及便利設施。 - Including student residences, learning commons, library, student wellness facilities and amenities. 	4 700	5 800	+ 23%