

**HEC Sub-committee on  
Wan Chai Development Phase II Review**

**Eighth Meeting**

Date : 26 October 2005 (Wednesday)

Time : 9:30 a.m.

Venue: Conference Room, 15/F, North Point Government Offices,  
333 Java Road, North Point.

**Agenda**

1. Confirmation of minutes of last meeting
2. Matters arising
3. Expert Panel report
4. Draft report on Envisioning Stage of HER
5. Work plan for Consolidation Forum [Paper No. WD 14/2005]
6. Progress report on HER [Paper No. WD 15/2005]
7. Any other business

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**Paper No. WD 14/2005**

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**Work Plan for Consolidation Forum of  
the Envisioning Stage of Harbour-front Enhancement Review –  
Wan Chai, Causeway Bay and Adjoining Areas**

**PURPOSE**

This paper seeks Members' comments and endorsement of the proposed work plan for the Consolidation Forum of the Envisioning Stage of Harbour-front Enhancement Review – Wan Chai, Causeway Bay and Adjoining Areas (HER).

**BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 The Sub-committee agreed at the meeting held on 9 August 2005 to convene a Consolidation Forum (formerly known as the Stage 1.5 Public Forum).
- 2.2 Based on the discussion at the tenth HER Task Force meeting held on 10 October 2005, the Consultants prepared the work plan for the Forum attached at the **Appendix**. The date of the Forum is tentatively fixed for the afternoon of 12 November 2005 (Saturday) at the Surveyors Learning Centre of the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors at Jardine House, Central.

**ADVICE SOUGHT**

- 3.1 Members are invited to comment and endorse the proposed work plan for the Consolidation Forum at the **Appendix**.

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## HER ENVISIONING STAGE CONSOLIDATION FORUM

### 1. Background

The core public engagement activities of the Envisioning Stage were carried out in May to July 2005. Valuable views and proposals on harbour-front enhancement and solutions for traffic problems have been received. There were many common views on harbour-front enhancement but some diverse views on the need of the Central-Wan Chai Bypass (CWB) were also received. To allow a more in-depth deliberation of the latter issue in the context of sustainable transport planning, an Expert Panel Forum on Sustainable Transport Planning and CWB was held on 3 September 2005 to provide further opportunities for discussing sustainable solution to the traffic congestion problems along the northern shore of the Hong Kong Island.

### 2. Objectives of the Consolidation Forum

Before the government proceeds with the preparation of the Concept Plans for the development and enhancement of the harbour-front of Wan Chai, Causeway Bay and the adjoining areas, it is considered useful if the public is also involved in the process of screening and consolidating the comments, ideas and proposals received during the Envisioning Stage. A consolidation forum (formerly known as “Stage 1.5” public forum) was therefore suggested. The suggestion was endorsed by the Sub-committee on Wan Chai Development Phase II Review at the meeting held on 9 August 2005. The objectives of the consolidation forum are as follows -

- (a) To report to the public the major findings of the Envisioning Stage.
- (b) To explain to the public the technical problems and other considerations of those proposals which may not be suitable for carrying forward in the Concept Plans.
- (c) To outline the framework for the Concept Plans to be prepared for further public engagement at the Realization Stage.
- (d) To gauge the views of the public on the format of the Realization Stage.

### **3. Experience from the Kai Tak Planning Review**

The arrangement of the consolidation forum will make reference to the Kai Tak Forum held under the Kai Tak Planning Review in March 2005. The Kai Tak Forum was held on a Saturday morning at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre after the core public engagement activities had been completed. All the participants in the previous public engagement activities were invited to join the forum and the public were invited through newspaper advertisement and web site. The consultant team and the relevant government bureaux and departments were present to provide explanations on the feasibilities of some major components/proposals. Members of the public had good opportunities to interact with and try to convince each other on certain proposals. It has been proved to be a transparent and effective way in confirming the public views received before preparing the Concept Plans.

### **4. Proposed Programme**

Attached is a proposed programme for the consolidation forum.

### **5. Conclusion of the Envisioning Stage**

Findings of this forum will be incorporated into the Report of the Envisioning Stage, where appropriate, prior to the commencement of the Realization Stage.

## **Proposed Programme for HER Envisioning Stage Consolidation Forum**

Date: 12 November 2005 (Saturday)  
Time: 2:30 to 5:05 pm  
Venue: Surveyors Learning Centre  
Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors  
Suite 811 Jardine House  
1 Connaught Place, Central

<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Item</u></b>	<b><u>Responsible Party</u></b>
2:00 – 2:30 pm	Registration	CEDD
2:30 – 2:32 pm	MC to start the Forum	CPC
2:32 – 2:40 pm	Welcoming Remarks by Chairman, HEC Sub-committee on Wan Chai Development Phase II Review	K Y Leung
2:40 – 3:00 pm	Report on public views gathered at the Envisioning Stage and the recommendations of the Expert Panel	CPC
3:00 - 3:25 pm	Explanation on preliminary technical feasibilities and other considerations of proposals	CEDD/MCAL/TD/PlanD
3:25 – 4:15 pm	Floor Discussion – Q & A	CEDD/TD/PlanD/MCAL/CPC
4:15 – 4:30 pm	Recommendations for the way forward <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Concept plans</li><li>• Evaluation framework</li><li>• Realization Stage</li></ul>	HEC/CPC
4:30 – 5:00 pm	Floor Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Q &amp; A</li><li>• Suggestions for Realization Stage 2 public engagement</li></ul>	HEC/CPC
5:00 – 5:05 pm	Concluding Remarks	K Y Leung

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**Progress Report on  
Harbour-front Enhancement Review -  
Wan Chai, Causeway Bay and Adjoining Areas (HER)**

1. This progress report covers the period between the seventh and the eighth meetings of the Sub-committee on Wan Chai Development Phase II Review (Sub-committee), that is, from 9 August to 25 October 2005.
2. The Expert Panel Forum on Sustainable Transport Planning and Central-Wan Chai Bypass was held on 3 September 2005. The Expert Panel received a total of 19 submissions from the public and one submission from Transport Department. Over 100 persons attended the Forum. Report of the Expert Panel is to be considered under a separate item at the current meeting.
3. The tenth HER Task Force was held on 10 October 2005 to discuss members' comments on the draft report of the Envisioning Stage of HER, arrangement for the "Stage 1.5" public forum (now proposed to be named as the "Consolidation Forum") and progress of the attempt to arrange temporary use of the former public cargo working area in Wan Chai (ex-PCWA) site.
4. Besides discussing comments to beef up and to improve the draft report of the Envisioning Stage of HER, the Task Force concluded at the meeting on 10 October 2005 that the conclusion and recommendations of the report should be reviewed after the Consolidation Forum. The Consultant was therefore requested to revise the draft report taking into account members' comments and submit it, excluding the conclusion and recommendations, to the Sub-committee for consideration at the current meeting.
5. For the Consolidation Forum, the Task Force agreed that, besides

presenting to the public the comments, ideas and proposals received during the Envisioning Stage, the Forum should also achieve the purpose of screening and consolidating the comments, ideas and proposals. The Forum has been tentatively scheduled for the afternoon of 12 November 2005 (Saturday). Detailed arrangement for the Forum is presented under a separate item at the current meeting.

6. The Task Force was also briefed on the updates of the “quick-win” project” at the ex-PCWA site and comments from concerned government departments at its meeting on 10 October 2005. CEDD would further explore the project.

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