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Kowloon City District Urban Renewal Forum

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<u>Urban Renewal Plan for Kowloon City</u> <u>Draft Stage 2 Public Engagement Report</u>

<u>Purpose</u>

This paper aims to report the result of the Stage 2 Public Engagement ("PE") for the Urban Renewal Plan for Kowloon City, and Members are invited to accept the Stage 2 PE Report.

<u>Stage 2 Public Engagement</u>

2. The Stage 2 PE was completed on 30 June 2013, in which five community workshops, four topical discussions, one public forum, six briefings, and a series of mobile and roving exhibitions were organised. The engagement exercise aimed at collecting public views on the Draft Urban Renewal Plan ("DURP") for Kowloon City.

3. During the PE, the Consultants have collected 117 written submissions through the dedicated Urban Renewal Plan for Kowloon City website, email or other modes of submission. The Consultants have analysed and collated the feedbacks gathered during the PE process, and prepared the draft Stage 2 PE Report. The Report was discussed in the Study Steering Group ("SG") meeting held on 5 December 2013 and the SG had made some comments on the draft Stage 2 PE Report. After deliberation, the SG endorsed the draft Stage 2 PE Report in principle and agreed to recommend to the Kowloon City District Urban Renewal Forum ("DURF") to accept the Report, subject to the incorporation of comments raised by the SG. Taking into account the comments of the SG, the draft Stage 2 PE Report has been revised and is

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now submitted to DURF for consideration and acceptance.

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4.   In general, the local residents, members of the community, different stakeholders and concerned community organisations have been more active in participating in the Stage 2 PE activities. Throughout the discussions and exchange of views, they provided their opinions and requests. Some members of the public expressed their general comments on the DURP. In addition, participants of the Stage 2 PE activities generally supported most of the proposals of the DURP, and indicated the areas and details which should be attended to during the implementation of the proposal. The proposed social impact mitigation measures also received wide public support. Please refer to **Annex 1** for the summary of major public views and responses. Members of the public also commented on some related issues other than the proposals of the DURP, including compensation and rehousing, work of Urban Renewal Authority, community facilities, environment and transportation etc.

5.   The Consultants have consolidated public views collected during the Stage 2 PE. For a more comprehensive and detailed Report, the Consultants have provided responses in the corresponding parts of the Report based on the inputs from the Planning Consultants, SIA Consultants and the SG. Please refer to **Annex 2** for the content of the Report.

6.   The Stage 2 PE has collected comments and suggestions on the DURP extensively from the public, which have been conveyed to the Planning and SIA Consultants for detailed consideration and preparation of the Urban Renewal Plan for Kowloon City after incorporating their professional comments and analyses. Once the Urban Renewal Plan for Kowloon City is endorsed by DURF, it will be submitted to the Government for consideration. It will also serve as a reference for the locals, members of the community and different stakeholders, including private developers and relevant community organisations, etc.

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<u>Advice Sought</u>

7. Members are invited to note and provide comment on the content of the draft PE Report. If deemed appropriate, Members are invited to accept the Stage 2 PE Report.

Public Engagement and Social Impact Assessment Steering Group
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