

Short Term Tenancy (STT) No. SHX 1382
Government Land at Shing Sai Road

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BACKGROUND

3. The subject site occupies the hinterland portion of the three former berths released from the Western District Public Cargo Working Area (WDPCWA) and is currently vacant. After consulting the Central and Western District Council, the Harbourfront Commission and other stakeholders, the Government considers that the subject site could be let out to a non-profit making organisation (NPO) or a social enterprise (SE) for operating a leisure farm with ancillary facilities for a term of three years through a short-term tenancy at a nominal rent. The area between the subject site and the waterfront would be converted into public open space to be managed by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD).

INVITATION FOR PROPOSALS

4. Against the above background, the Development Bureau (DEVB) is now inviting proposals from NPOs and SEs for operating a non-profit making leisure farm and ancillary facilities at the subject site at a nominal rent. At least half of the subject site shall be designated for leisure farming activities and allows for free public access at least from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm daily. The rest of the subject site could be used for commercial ancillary facilities ancillary to the operation of the subject site. Result of this proposal invitation exercise is expected to be announced in the latter half of 2018.

ENHANCEMENT WORKS

5. Some enhancement works would be carried out to improve public safety and amenities at the public open space to be managed by LCSD. It is expected that the enhancement works would be completed in phases starting from the last quarter of 2018 until the first quarter of 2020. When the result of invitation exercise is announced and the subject site is handed over to the selected tenant, the enhancement works of the adjacent public open space is likely to be still underway.

6. A service drain would also be constructed at the northern boundary of the subject site to collect storm water and rainfalls. There is no vehicular access provided at the site at the moment. The future operator may liaise with relevant department to make use of the vehicular access at the public open space on a temporary basis.

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

7. Prospective proponents are required to make submissions in accordance with the Notice of Proposal Invitation. They are reminded to carefully read **all terms, instructions and notes** set out in the invitation documents when preparing proposal submission. Prospective proponents' special attention is drawn to all the essential and binding requirements set out in the invitation documents. Prospective proponents are also reminded to fill in consistent information in different parts of the invitation documents.

8. Prospective proponents shall submit their proposals by hand to DEVB at 18/F, West Wing, Central Government Office, 2 Tim Mei Avenue, Tamar, Hong Kong, before noon on 29 June 2018. Late submission will not be accepted.

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