

For information

Legislative Council Panel on Development

**Progress Report on
Funding Scheme to Support the Use of
Vacant Government Sites by Non-government Organisations
for the Financial Year 2020-21**

PURPOSE

This paper briefs Members on progress with the implementation of the funding scheme to support the use of vacant government sites by non-government organisations (“NGOs”) in the Financial Year 2020-21.

BACKGROUND

2. The Finance Committee approved the creation of a non-recurrent commitment of \$1 billion on 25 January 2019 for Development Bureau (“DEVB”) to implement this funding scheme to subsidise NGOs to take forward worthy projects for the community on vacant government sites. Since the launch in February 2019¹, the scheme is being implemented along the following key directions —

- (a) an inclusive approach capitalising on “community wisdom” is adopted. The funding is open to all applications in relation to which

¹ Details of the funding scheme (including application guidelines and procedures) are available on DEVB’s website (https://www.devb.gov.hk/en/issues_in_focus/Funding_Scheme_to_Support_the_Use_of_Vacant_Government_Sites_by_Non_government_Organisations/index.html).

in-principle approval of short-term tenancy (“STT”)² has been obtained under the existing Government mechanism for use of the available vacant government sites for community, institutional or other non-profit making purposes. In other words, the funding is not limited to any specific uses as pre-determined by Government;

- (b) the mechanism for submitting and approving funding applications is kept simple to facilitate the kick-starting of worthy projects as early as possible, with appropriate monitoring to ensure effective use of funds; and
- (c) apart from providing funding support, we encourage the contribution of expertise and experience by professionals in the development sector and NGO-applicants in taking forward their projects.

Eligibility

3. After an NGO has received in-principle approval from a relevant authority for renting a vacant government site (including vacant school premises on government land) under the existing mechanism³, it may make an application for funding support under the scheme when it meets any of the following criteria

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² Generally speaking, pending determination or implementation of a long-term use, Lands Department (“LandsD”) puts vacant sites under its management to temporary uses by Government bureaux/departments (“B/Ds”). If there is no taker within Government, individual vacant sites may be made available for specific uses supported by relevant B/Ds through open tender (such as STT carparks). For sites with no temporary use identified by Government following the above process, LandsD will publish the relevant information onto its “GeoInfo Map” website (<https://www.map.gov.hk/gm/map/search/faci/VGS>) to invite tenancy applications by NGOs for community, institutional, or other non-profit-making uses on a short-term basis. If an application is approved, nominal (or concessionary) rent will be charged with policy support by a relevant bureau; in other cases full market rent will be charged. Under LandsD’s current practice, STTs let by direct grant are normally granted for a fixed term of a duration ranging from one to five years (in some cases with policy justifications a longer term of up to seven years may be granted), thereafter to be renewed monthly or quarterly depending on circumstances.

³ At present, in relation to unleased and unallocated government sites under LandsD’s management and may be suitable for temporary uses by way of STTs, District Lands Offices of LandsD would, upon receipt of an application from an NGO, consult relevant B/Ds on the proposal. A prerequisite for the approval of a valid application is that policy support has been given by a relevant bureau whose portfolio oversees the provision of services related to the relevant community, institutional or other non-profit-making use being applied for.

- (a) it is a charitable institution or trust of a public character exempted from tax under the Inland Revenue Ordinance, or a company incorporated under the Companies Ordinance as a limited company by guarantee whose objects and powers do not include distribution of profits to members, or a non-profit-making society registered or body established under any legislation in Hong Kong; or
- (b) it takes the form of a social enterprise.

Scope of Financial and Technical Support

4. The funding scheme provides successful NGO-applicants with subsidies to support one-off, basic, and essential restoration works required to make the sites/premises fit for use. Such works may include, for example, slope upgrading, site formation, erection of temporary structures, provision of sewerage/drainage or other basic facilities, pedestrian/vehicular access, renovation of existing premises, installation of fire safety equipment or barrier-free facilities, etc. The costs in relation to consultancy services commissioned to determine the technical feasibility or parameters of the proposed works⁴ may also be covered.

5. Nevertheless, the funding scheme is not intended to cover the cost for interior fitting-out, or the cost of furniture and equipment procured purely for the NGOs, or other operating or recurrent expenses to be incurred, in implementing the proposed short-term use on the vacant sites.

6. The funding to be allocated to each approved project varies, depending on a number of project-specific factors, in particular the size of the site, existing conditions, construction requirements, and the uses proposed. This notwithstanding, the financial subsidy for each approved project is capped at \$60 million. Generally speaking, depending on the scale of an individual project, DEVB may process and approve funding applications for the project in stages. In other words, we would consider approving the cost for detailed design and site investigation in the first stage, so that NGO-applicants can start preliminary work first. When the detailed design is completed, and when the cost estimation of the proposed construction works is more mature, we would then consider approving and granting funding for the second project stage.

⁴ The consultancy services may cover –

- (a) detailed design of the proposed restoration works, and engagement of contractors to pursue preliminary work for site investigation and surveys;
- (b) submissions of building plans or relevant proposals to satisfy a regulatory requirement;
- (c) tendering and management of works contracts; and
- (d) site supervision.

7. The construction or restoration works on the vacant sites or school premises are essentially executed by consultants, professionals, and contractors engaged by the relevant NGOs, upon approval of the funding applications. Considering that some NGO-applicants may not be well versed or experienced in project planning and works management, DEVB and government professional departments may provide technical advice for applicants and their hired professionals, so that we work together to address some site-specific challenges and support the smooth completion of projects.

Assessment Mechanism

8. An inter-departmental Assessment Committee chaired by DEVB is responsible for assessing applications. The Assessment Committee is comprised of directorate officers of DEVB and relevant professional departments⁵. In general, the Assessment Committee takes around four months on average to complete an assessment of an application (which may be an application for the first stage of the project), counting from the time when the NGO-applicant submits sufficient information and the Secretariat completes verification thereof.

9. The Assessment Committee focuses on the technical aspects of the proposed works to ensure that they would be within the scope and financial ceiling mentioned above. In particular, the Assessment Committee would see to it that the amount of funding granted to each approved project should be in line with the principles of economy, efficiency, and effectiveness in the use of resources thereby achieving good value for money. The Assessment Committee would also look into the experience and capability of applicants, and the timeframe proposed by them in implementing the projects.

PROGRESS OF IMPLEMENTATION

10. During the Financial Year 2020-21, DEVB received 11 fresh applications, of which eight have been granted first-stage funding, and the remaining three are being processed. In addition, two projects (for which the first-stage funding were approved in the Financial Year 2019-20) were granted further

⁵ The Assessment Committee is chaired by Deputy Secretary for Development (Planning and Lands). The membership is comprised of officers from ten professional departments, including Architectural Services Department, Buildings Department, Civil Engineering and Development Department, Drainage Services Department, Environmental Protection Department, Fire Services Department, Government Property Agency, LandsD, Planning Department, and Transport Department.

funding to commence and implement construction works. Counting all projects approved during the last two Financial Years, as at 31 March 2021, a total sum of about \$164 million were approved for NGOs to take forward a variety of worthy projects on 16 vacant government sites. None of the applications for funding received since the launch of the scheme has been rejected. A list of these approved projects is at **Annex A**. Details of each item are set out at **Annex B**.

11. Among the 16 approved applications, one has completed the restoration works, and the proposed use commenced operation in February 2021. Three projects have begun constructions works, which are expected to be completed within 3 to 12 months. Detailed design and site investigation for the rest of 12 projects are to be completed within this year or next, before proceeding to the construction stage. While the NGO-applicants and their hired professionals were dedicated in delivering their initiatives, the progress of the detailed design and implementation of construction works in some individual projects were inevitably affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. DEVB would continue to work closely with these NGOs to overcome challenges and accelerate progress, such that the approved projects will be carried out smoothly as planned.

MONITORING AND CONTROL

12. Apart from executing the relevant STT, successful applicants are required to sign a funding agreement with DEVB. Each approved grant is disbursed by installments, normally on a reimbursement basis, subject to the fulfillment of project milestones in the funding agreement and the verification of certified invoices or bills. If an NGO indicates genuine difficulty in using its own cash flow to settle bills before seeking a reimbursement subsequently, DEVB would, in accordance with actual circumstances of individual cases, consider granting an advance payment on a limited basis for the NGO to settle any outstanding bill as soon as possible and proceed with the project.

13. Successful applicants must keep a proper set of books and records for their projects receiving funding support under the scheme. They are required to submit regular progress and financial reports against the milestones agreed in the funding agreements before project completion. They are also required to submit audited statements certified by independent auditors upon project completion. DEVB may suspend disbursement of funding or cease a project in case of unsatisfactory project progress or contravention of the scheme guidelines.

WAY FORWARD

14. During the Financial Year, DEVB stepped up publicity and promotional initiatives to increase the public's awareness of the funding scheme, and reached out to more than 20 organisations to introduce the scheme and solicit potential applications. With more approved projects being delivered next year and beyond, we are expecting more previously vacant sites or premises on government land being utilised again for gainful community purposes. We would continue to review the implementation of the scheme in the light of experience accumulated.

Development Bureau
April 2021

**Funding Scheme to Support the Use of Vacant Government Sites by Non-government Organisations
Applications with Funding Approved (As at 31 March 2021)**

	Site Location	Name of Applicant	Short-term Uses Applied For	Initial Funding Applied For By NGOs* (\$ million)	Ceiling of Funding Approved# (\$ million)	Time of Signing Funding Agreement
(A) Construction works completed						
1	Small Trader New Village, Nam Sang Wai, Yuen Long (Ex-Small Trader New Village Public School)	Yuen Long Kam Kwong Church	Community service centre	\$7	Total: \$7.5	October 2019
(B) Construction works in progress						
2	Shing Sai Road, Kennedy Town	Rough C	Community garden	\$41	Stage 1: \$2.6 Stage 2: \$35.6 Total: \$38.2	Stage 1: June 2019 Stage 2: October 2019
3	Ko Po San Tsuen, Kam Tin, Yuen Long	House of Joy & Mercy	Animal boarding establishment	\$6	Total: \$13.9	October 2019; September 2020 (supplementary)
4	Lin Ma Hang Road, Ta Kwu Ling (Ex-Sam Wo Public School)	Hong Kong Seeing Eye Dog Services	Guide dog training school	\$39	Stage 1: \$3 Stage 2: \$53.4 Total: \$56.4	Stage 1: October 2019 Stage 2: December 2020

Notes:

* Initial estimated project cost indicated on the application forms.

DEVB has discussed and clarified essential details of the proposed works and the cost estimates with NGO-applicants with reference to the information provided in their application forms. Upon verification, availability of the detailed design and quantity surveying assessment, the Assessment Committee would consider and decide on the funding ceiling approved for individual projects. As NGOs might not be able to grasp the estimated expenditure realistically at the time when they submitted applications, the approved funding ceiling could be different from or higher than the funding amount originally applied for. The approved funding ceiling may also be adjusted during different stages of project preparation to take account of changing circumstances, such as enhancement in facilities and tender results. The actual funding to be disbursed by installments (on a reimbursement basis) would depend on the actual costs incurred.

 Applications with supplementary/ Stage 2 funding approved in 2020-21

	Site Location	Name of Applicant	Short-term Uses Applied For	Initial Funding Applied For By NGOs* (\$ million)	Ceiling of Funding Approved# (\$ million)	Time of Signing Funding Agreement
(C) Detailed design and site investigation in progress						
5	Ha Chuk Yuen Road, San Tin, Yuen Long (Ex-Chuk Hing Public School)	Fruit Garden Social Enterprise	Community service centre	\$25	Stage 1: \$2.1	November 2019
6	Tan Kwai Tsuen, Yuen Long (Ex-Ying Yin Catholic Primary School)	Muhammadia Ghosia Islamic Association	Community service centre	\$17	Stage 1: \$2.8	May 2020
7	Ko Po San Tsuen, Kam Tin, Yuen Long	HK Saving Cat and Dog Association	Animal boarding establishment	\$22	Stage 1: \$4.2	May 2020
8	Cox's Road, Yau Tsim Mong (Ex-Portuguese Community School)	Hong Kong Repertory Theatre	Theatre education centre	\$47	Stage 1: \$8.3	June 2020
9	Chuen Lung, Tsuen Wan (Ex-Koon Man School)	Hong Kong Photographic Culture Association	Photography resource centre	\$18	Stage 1: \$3	August 2020
10	Ping Shan, Tin Shui Wai	Tin Shui Wai Community Development Network	Farming and fishery education centre	\$5	Stage 1: \$2	October 2020

Notes:

 Applications with Stage 1 funding approved in 2020-21

	Site Location	Name of Applicant	Short-term Uses Applied For	Initial Funding Applied For By NGOs* (\$ million)	Ceiling of Funding Approved# (\$ million)	Time of Signing Funding Agreement
(C) Detailed design and site investigation in progress						
11	Mai Po San Tsuen, Mai Po, Yuen Long (Ex-Koon Ying Public School)	Anfield Hearts Foundation	Non-profit school for children with special needs	\$13	Stage 1: \$3.3	November 2020
12	Quarry Bay Harbourfront	St. James' Settlement	Open recreation and sitting out area	\$60	Stage 1: \$1.3	March 2021
13	Wai Tau Village, Tai Po (Ex-Wai Tau School)	Positive Life Association	Non-profit kindergarten for children with special needs	\$60	Stage 1: \$6.9	March 2021
(D) Applications in relation to transitional housing						
14	Victoria Road, Mount Davis (Ex-Mount Davis Caritas Centre & Ex-Mount Davis Caritas Jockey Club Hostel)	Society for Community Organization	Transitional housing	\$5.9	Total: \$7.4 ^{&}	October 2019
15	Yip Shing Street, Kwai Chung	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service	Transitional housing	Preliminary work: \$2.9	Preliminary work: \$2.9 ^{&}	November 2019
16	Junction at Hoi Hing Road/ Hoi Kok Street, Tsuen Wan	Yan Chai Hospital Board	Transitional housing	Preliminary work: \$3.3	Preliminary work: \$3.3 ^{&}	April 2020

Notes:

[&] These applications are transitional housing projects on vacant government land, with a total of funding capped at about \$13.6 million granted to three NGO-applicants for kick-starting the projects as soon as possible. As the Finance Committee approved on 7 March 2020 the creation by Transport and Housing Bureau of a non-recurrent commitment of \$5 billion to implement the "Funding Scheme to Support Transitional Housing Projects by Non-government Organisations", funding applications in relation to transitional housing projects thereafter, including the remaining construction cost for two projects (item no. 15 and 16), would be processed and assessed under that new scheme.

Applications with Stage 1 funding approved in 2020-21

Details of Applications Approved

(A) Construction works completed

Item No.: 1

A. Basic Information	
Name of Applicant:	Yuen Long Kam Kwong Church
Site Location:	Small Trader New Village, Nam Sang Wai, Yuen Long (Ex-Small Trader New Village Public School)
Current Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) Zoning:	“Undetermined”
STT Term:	3 years certain and thereafter quarterly
Site Area:	About 900 square metres (m ²)
Short-term Uses Applied For:	<u>Community service centre</u> The NGO revitalised the previous vacant school premises into a community service centre with function rooms and indoor space to provide a wide range of social services for local residents.
B. Details of Funding Approved	
Initial Funding Applied For:	\$7 million
Ceiling of Funding Approved:	\$7.5 million
Time of Signing Funding Agreement:	October 2019
Scope of Funding:	The funding approved covered the detailed design, site investigation, and repair works.
Completion Time:	Works were completed in Q3/2020. The community service centre commenced operation in February 2021.

(B) Construction works in progress

Item No.: 2

A. Basic Information	
Name of Applicant:	Rough C
Site Location:	Shing Sai Road, Kennedy Town
Current OZP Zoning:	“Other Specified Uses” annotated “Cargo Handling Area”
STT Term:	3 years certain and thereafter quarterly
Site Area:	About 1,900 m ²
Short-term Uses Applied For:	<u>Community garden</u> Upon completion of construction works, the community garden would operate to bring diversity and vibrancy to the Belcher Bay Promenade, and its animal-friendly outdoor area (about 1500 m ²) would be open all day for use by members of the public. In addition, a greenhouse would help promote community farming.
B. Details of Funding Approved	
Initial Funding Applied For:	\$41 million
Ceiling of Funding Approved:	Stage 1: \$2.6 million <u>Stage 2: \$35.6 million</u> Total: \$38.2 million
Time of Signing Funding Agreement:	Stage 1: June 2019 Stage 2: October 2019
Scope of Funding:	Stage 1: <u>Detailed design and site investigation</u> The funding is approved for engaging consultants to prepare a detailed design and statutory submissions, and for engaging contractors to carry out site investigation and surveys. Stage 2: <u>Construction works</u> The funding is approved for constructing a community garden comprising a greenhouse, farming and open areas, and ancillary facilities including rain shelters, event space, etc.
Progress:	Construction commenced in Q2/2020.
Expected Completion Time:	Construction works for a part of the site area were completed and open to the public in October 2020. The remaining works would be completed by Q2/2021.

(B) Construction works in progress

Item No.: 3

A. Basic Information	
Name of Applicant:	House of Joy & Mercy
Site Location:	Ko Po San Tsuen, Kam Tin, Yuen Long
Current OZP Zoning:	“Agriculture”
STT Term:	From the date of possession up to 3 August 2021 and thereafter quarterly
Site Area:	About 1,100 m ²
Short-term Uses Applied For:	<u>Animal boarding establishment</u> The NGO is constructing a one-storey structure, enclosed with soundproofing and heat insulation materials, to provide stray animals with a temporary place to live.
B. Details of Funding Approved	
Initial Funding Applied For:	\$6 million
Ceiling of Funding Approved:	\$13.9 million
Time of Signing Funding Agreement:	October 2019; September 2020 (supplementary)
Scope of Funding:	<u>Detailed design and construction works</u> The funding is approved for engaging a consultant to prepare a detailed design of the animal boarding establishment and statutory submissions, and for engaging contractors to carry out site investigation, surveys and construction works.
Progress:	Construction commenced in Q3/2020.
Expected Completion Time:	Q2/2021

(B) Construction works in progress

Item No.: 4

A. Basic Information	
Name of Applicant:	Hong Kong Seeing Eye Dog Services
Site Location:	Lin Ma Hang Road, Ta Kwu Ling (Ex-Sam Wo Public School)
Current OZP Zoning:	“Government, Institution or Community”
STT Term:	5 years certain and thereafter quarterly
Site Area:	About 2,400 m ²
Short-term Uses Applied For:	<u>Guide dog training school</u> The NGO is restoring the previous vacant school premises and open area for a guide dog training school and some ancillary facilities to serve people with visual disability.
B. Details of Funding Approved	
Initial Funding Applied For:	\$39 million
Ceiling of Funding Approved:	Stage 1: \$3 million <u>Stage 2: \$53.4 million</u> Total: \$56.4 million
Time of Signing Funding Agreement:	Stage 1: October 2019 Stage 2: December 2020
Scope of Funding:	<u>Stage 1: Detailed design and site investigation</u> The funding is approved for engaging a consultant to prepare a detailed design of the facilities and statutory submissions, and for engaging contractors to carry out site investigation and surveys. <u>Stage 2: Construction works</u> The funding is approved for the construction works in accordance with the detailed design.
Progress:	Construction works commenced in Q4/2020.
Expected Completion Time:	Q1/2022

(C) Detailed design and site investigation in progress

Item No.: 5

A. Basic Information	
Name of Applicant:	Fruit Garden Social Enterprise
Site Location:	Ha Chuk Yuen Road, San Tin, Yuen Long (Ex-Chuk Hing Public School)
Current OZP Zoning:	“Village Type Development”
STT Term:	From the date of possession up to 2 August 2022 and thereafter quarterly
Site Area:	About 1,600 m ²
Short-term Uses Applied For:	<u>Community service centre</u> The NGO is restoring the previous vacant school premises into a community service centre, with facilities catered for farming and animal training.
B. Details of Funding Approved	
Initial Funding Applied For:	\$25 million
Ceiling of Funding Approved:	Stage 1: \$2.1 million
Time of Signing Funding Agreement:	November 2019
Scope of Funding:	<u>Detailed design and site investigation</u> The funding is approved for engaging a consultant to prepare a detailed design of the facilities and statutory submissions, and for engaging contractors to carry out site investigation and surveys.
Progress:	The detailed design and site investigation are close to completion. The NGO is preparing tender documents before kick-starting construction works.
Expected Completion Time (For Detailed Design and Site Investigation Stage):	Q3/2021

(C) Detailed design and site investigation in progress

Item No.: 6

A. Basic Information	
Name of Applicant:	Muhammadia Ghosia Islamic Association
Site Location:	Tan Kwai Tsuen, Yuen Long (Ex-Ying Yin Catholic Primary School)
Current OZP Zoning:	“Government, Institution or Community”
STT Term:	3 years certain and thereafter quarterly
Site Area:	About 1,800 m ²
Short-term Uses Applied For:	<u>Community service centre</u> The NGO is restoring the previous vacant school premises into a community service centre, particularly for members of ethnic minorities.
B. Details of Funding Approved	
Initial Funding Applied For:	\$17 million
Ceiling of Funding Approved:	Stage 1: \$2.8 million
Time of Signing Funding Agreement:	May 2020
Scope of Funding:	<u>Detailed design and site investigation</u> The funding is approved for engaging a consultant to prepare a detailed design of the facilities and statutory submissions, and for engaging contractors to carry out site investigation and surveys.
Progress:	The detailed design and site investigation are close to completion. The NGO is preparing drawings and supplementary information to government departments concerned before kick-starting construction works.
Expected Completion Time (For Detailed Design and Site Investigation Stage):	Q4/2021

(C) Detailed design and site investigation in progress

Item No.: 7

A. Basic Information	
Name of Applicant:	HK Saving Cat and Dog Association
Site Location:	Ko Po San Tsuen, Kam Tin, Yuen Long
Current OZP Zoning:	“Agriculture”
STT Term:	From the date of possession up to 3 August 2023 and thereafter quarterly
Site Area:	About 1,400 m ²
Short-term Uses Applied For:	<u>Animal boarding establishment</u> The NGO is constructing one-storey structures, enclosed with soundproofing and heat insulation materials, to provide stray animals with a temporary place to live.
B. Details of Funding Approved	
Initial Funding Applied For:	\$22 million
Ceiling of Funding Approved:	Stage 1: \$4.2 million
Time of Signing Funding Agreement:	May 2020
Scope of Funding:	<u>Detailed design and site investigation</u> The funding is approved for engaging a consultant to prepare a detailed design of the facilities and statutory submissions, and for engaging contractors to carry out site investigation and surveys.
Progress:	The detailed design and site investigation are close to completion. The NGO is preparing drawings and supplementary information to government departments concerned before kick-starting construction works.
Expected Completion Time (For Detailed Design and Site Investigation Stage):	Q4/2021

(C) Detailed design and site investigation in progress

Item No.: 8

A. Basic Information	
Name of Applicant:	Hong Kong Repertory Theatre
Site Location:	Cox's Road, Yau Tsim Mong (Ex- Portuguese Community School)
Current OZP Zoning:	"Government, Institution or Community"
STT Term:	6 years and 9 months certain and thereafter quarterly
Site Area:	About 1,700 m ²
Short-term Uses Applied For:	<u>Theatre education centre</u> The NGO is restoring the previous three-storey school premises, which is a Grade 2 historic building, for a theatre education centre.
B. Details of Funding Approved	
Initial Funding Applied For:	\$47 million
Ceiling of Funding Approved:	Stage 1: \$8.3 million
Time of Signing Funding Agreement:	June 2020
Scope of Funding:	<u>Detailed design and site investigation</u> The funding is approved for engaging consultants for preparing a detailed design of the facilities and statutory submissions, and for engaging contractors to carry out site investigation, surveys, and heritage impact assessment.
Progress:	The detailed design and site investigation are close to completion. The NGO is preparing drawings and supplementary information to government departments concerned before kick-starting construction works.
Expected Completion Time (For Detailed Design and Site Investigation Stage):	Q4/2021

(C) Detailed design and site investigation in progress

Item No.: 9

A. Basic Information	
Name of Applicant:	Hong Kong Photographic Culture Association
Site Location:	Chuen Lung, Tsuen Wan (Ex-Koon Man School)
Current OZP Zoning:	“Government, Institution or Community”
STT Term:	4 years and 9 months certain and thereafter quarterly
Site Area:	About 800 m ²
Short-term Uses Applied For:	<u>Photography resource centre</u> The NGO is retrofitting the previous one-storey school premises into a photography resource centre for promoting photography and visual arts.
B. Details of Funding Approved	
Initial Funding Applied For:	\$18 million
Ceiling of Funding Approved:	Stage 1: \$3 million
Time of Signing Funding Agreement:	August 2020
Scope of Funding:	<u>Detailed design and site investigation</u> The funding is approved for engaging a consultant to prepare a detailed design of the facilities and statutory submissions, and for engaging contractors to carry out site investigation and surveys.
Progress:	The detailed design and site investigation are in progress. The NGO is preparing drawings and supplementary information to government departments concerned before kick-starting construction works.
Expected Completion Time (For Detailed Design and Site Investigation Stage):	Q4/2021

(C) Detailed design and site investigation in progress

Item No.: 10

A. Basic Information	
Name of Applicant:	Tin Shui Wai Community Development Network
Site Location:	Ping Shan, Tin Shui Wai
Current OZP Zoning:	“Open Space”
STT Term:	3 years certain and thereafter quarterly
Site Area:	About 20,000 m ²
Short-term Uses Applied For:	<u>Farming and fishery education centre</u> The NGO is turning the vacant site, which is mainly green space with two abandoned fishponds, into a farming and fishery education centre for local residents.
B. Details of Funding Approved	
Initial Funding Applied For:	\$5 million
Ceiling of Funding Approved:	Stage 1: \$2 million
Time of Signing Funding Agreement:	October 2020
Scope of Funding:	<u>Detailed design and site investigation</u> The funding is approved for engaging a consultant to prepare a detailed design of the facilities and statutory submissions, and for engaging contractors to carry out site investigation and surveys.
Progress:	The NGO is engaging a consultancy firm to carry out the detailed design.
Expected Completion Time (For Detailed Design and Site Investigation Stage):	Q4/2021

(C) Detailed design and site investigation in progress

Item No.: 11

A. Basic Information	
Name of Applicant:	Anfield Hearts Foundation
Site Location:	Mai Po San Tsuen, Mai Po, Yuen Long (Ex-Koon Ying Public School)
Current OZP Zoning:	“Village Type Development”
STT Term:	5 years certain and thereafter quarterly
Site Area:	About 1,100 m ²
Short-term Uses Applied For:	<u>Non-profit school for children with special needs</u> The NGO is planning to construct a non-profit school for children with special educational needs.
B. Details of Funding Approved	
Initial Funding Applied For:	\$13 million
Ceiling of Funding Approved:	Stage 1: \$3.3 million
Time of Signing Funding Agreement:	November 2020
Scope of Funding:	<u>Detailed design and site investigation</u> The funding is approved for engaging a consultant to prepare a detailed design of the facilities and statutory submissions, and for engaging contractors to carry out site investigation and surveys.
Progress:	The NGO has engaged a consultancy firm to carry out the detailed design.
Expected Completion Time (For Detailed Design and Site Investigation Stage):	Q4/2021

(C) Detailed design and site investigation in progress

Item No.: 12

A. Basic Information	
Name of Applicant:	St. James' Settlement
Site Location:	Quarry Bay Harbourfront
Current OZP Zoning:	"Open Space"
STT Term:	From the date of possession up to 30 June 2024 and thereafter quarterly
Site Area:	About 3,700 m ²
Short-term Uses Applied For:	<u>Open recreation and sitting out area</u> The NGO is planning to turn the vacant harbourfront site into open lawn space with ancillary facilities for local residents.
B. Details of Funding Approved	
Initial Funding Applied For:	\$60 million
Ceiling of Funding Approved:	Stage 1: \$1.3 million
Time of Signing Funding Agreement:	March 2021
Scope of Funding:	<u>Detailed design and site investigation</u> The funding is approved for engaging a consultant to prepare a detailed design in respect of the landscape and lighting for the site, and for engaging a contractor to carry out site investigation.
Progress:	The NGO is engaging a consultancy firm to carry out the detailed landscape and lighting design, and a contractor for site investigation.
Expected Completion Time (For Detailed Design and Ground Investigation Stage):	Q3/2021

(C) Detailed design and site investigation in progress

Item No.: 13

A. Basic Information	
Name of Applicant:	Positive Life Association
Site Location:	Wai Tau Village, Tai Po (Ex-Wai Tau School)
Current OZP Zoning:	“Government, Institution or Community”
STT Term:	6 years certain and thereafter quarterly
Site Area:	About 2,700 m ²
Short-term Uses Applied For:	<u>Non-profit kindergarten for children with special needs</u> The NGO is planning to construct a non-profit kindergarten for children with special educational needs.
B. Details of Funding Approved	
Initial Funding Applied For:	\$60 million
Ceiling of Funding Approved:	Stage 1: \$6.9 million
Time of Signing Funding Agreement:	March 2021
Scope of Funding:	<u>Detailed design and site investigation</u> The funding is approved for engaging a consultant to prepare a detailed design of the facilities and statutory submissions, and for engaging contractors to carry out site investigation and surveys.
Progress:	The NGO is engaging a consultancy firm to carry out the detailed design.
Expected Completion Time (For Detailed Design and Site Investigation Stage):	Q1/2022

(D) Applications in relation to transitional housing

Item No.: 14

A. Basic Information	
Name of Applicant:	Society for Community Organization
Site Location:	Victoria Road, Mount Davis (Ex-Mount Davis Caritas Centre & Ex-Mount Davis Caritas Jockey Club Hostel)
Current OZP Zoning:	“Government, Institution or Community”
STT Term:	5 years certain
Site Area:	About 200 m ²
Short-term Uses Applied For:	<u>Transitional housing</u> The NGO is restoring the current four-storey building to provide 11 to 13 transitional housing units, each accommodating one to two residents.
B. Details of Funding Approved	
Initial Funding Applied For:	\$5.9 million
Ceiling of Funding Approved:	\$7.4 million ^{&}
Time of Signing Funding Agreement:	October 2019
Scope of Funding:	<u>Detailed design, site investigation and construction works</u> The funding is approved for engaging a consultant to prepare a detailed design of the facilities and statutory submissions, and engaging contractors to carry out site investigation, surveys, and construction works.
Progress:	The consultancy firm engaged by the NGO has completed the detailed design. The NGO is engaging a contractor through an open tendering exercise to carry out construction works.
Expected Completion Time:	Q4/2021

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(D) Applications in relation to transitional housing

Item No.: 15

A. Basic Information	
Name of Applicant:	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Site Location:	Yip Shing Street, Kwai Chung
Current OZP Zoning:	“Road and Industrial”
STT Term:	4 years and 9 months certain and thereafter quarterly
Site Area:	About 1,400 m ²
Short-term Uses Applied For:	<u>Transitional housing</u> The NGO is planning to construct around 100 modular housing units, each accommodating one to two residents.
B. Details of Funding Approved	
Initial Funding Applied For:	Preliminary work: \$2.9 million
Ceiling of Funding Approved:	Preliminary work: \$2.9 million &
Time of Signing Funding Agreement:	November 2019
Scope of Funding:	<u>Detailed design and site investigation</u> The funding is approved for engaging a consultant to prepare a detailed design of the facilities and statutory submissions, and engaging contractors to carry out site investigation and surveys.
Progress:	The detailed design and site investigation are close to completion. The NGO is engaging a contractor to carry out construction works.
Expected Completion Time: (For Detailed Design and Site Investigation Stage)	Q2/2021

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(D) Applications in relation to transitional housing

Item No.: 16

A. Basic Information	
Name of Applicant:	Yan Chai Hospital Board
Site Location:	Junction at Hoi Hing Road/ Hoi Kok Street, Tsuen Wan
Current OZP Zoning:	“Open Space”
Proposed STT Term:	From the date of possession up to 1 July 2025 and thereafter monthly
Site Area:	About 3,300 m ²
Short-term Uses Applied For:	<u>Transitional housing</u> The NGO is planning to construct around 110 to 130 transitional housing units, each accommodating one to four residents.
B. Details of Funding Approved	
Initial Funding Applied For:	Preliminary work: \$3.3 million
Ceiling of Funding Approved:	Preliminary work: \$3.3 million ^{&}
Time of Signing Funding Agreement:	April 2020
Scope of Funding:	<u>Detailed design and site investigation</u> The funding is approved for engaging a consultant to prepare a detailed design of the facilities and statutory submissions, and engaging contractors to carry out site investigation and surveys.
Progress:	The detailed design and site investigation are in progress.
Expected Completion Time: (For Detailed Design and Site Investigation Stage)	Q3/2021

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