

For discussion on
19 July 2014

LanDAC Paper No. 06/2014

LANTAU DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Proposed Work Plan to take forward Development Proposals

PURPOSE

This paper proposes for LanDAC's consideration a work plan to take forward the proposals from Lantau Development Advisory Committee (LanDAC) members and the public.

BACKGROUND

2. LanDAC Paper No. 04/2014 summarises LanDAC members' visions and proposals for LanDAC's consideration and discussion on the strategic positioning and development direction of Lantau as well as the way forward for the individual proposals. LanDAC Paper No. 05/2014 summarises proposals and views on Lantau development received up to end May 2014 from some public members, stakeholders and concerned groups for LanDAC's reference and consideration. Due to inadequate time in that second LanDAC meeting held on 14 June 2014, LanDAC agreed to discuss in this third LanDAC meeting these two papers and the work plan including the need for setting up subcommittees to study the proposals.

3. As raised by LanDAC members in previous meetings and visits as well as by Islands District Council (DC) members in the DC meeting on 23 June 2014, there are strong expectations/requests from the local communities for urgent implementation of proposals to improve their community facilities/services and development.

IMPLEMENTATION OF PROPOSALS

4. The individual proposals are diverse in nature. Depending on the complications and implications involved, some of them may readily be implemented in short term to realise continuous progress whereas the others can only be implemented in longer term when they become more mature.

5. Amongst the proposals, those involving complex development issues will be considered and pursued, capitalising on and integrating with the major planning or project studies by the Government. The studies include those of Tung Chung New Town extension, topside development at Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities island of Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge, artificial islands in the central waters, and reclamations at Sunny Bay and Siu Ho Wan. At the same time, the Government will formulate an updated overall development strategy for Lantau, covering consolidated economic land use analysis, strategic transport and infrastructure review, strategic environmental assessment, spatial/sectoral development strategy, conservation plan etc. These strategic development proposals will be longer term ones to realise.

6. In the short term, we will study and if feasible, pursue those local development proposals to benefit the community by harnessing more the natural and cultural resources of Country Parks and rural Lantau for sustainable recreational and tourism uses as well as enhancing transport and social services further to the community. Under the sustainable uses, the proposals may include, inter alia, mountain bike trail network, gliding activities, camping sites, eco-tour area, safari park, leisure farming, leisure hotels/resort, “minsu”, watersports centres, heritage trails, village revitalization/tours, and triathlon race. Under the community services, we will strive to enhance the franchised bus services by rationalizing/straightening bus routes, expanding fare concessions, increasing bus frequencies etc, and improve local roads and parking provisions, where practicable. We will also promote local employment by enabling job matching and enhancing vocational training. For enhancing tourism services, we will improve the provision of transport information online and other

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media as well as at tourist attractions and major public transport interchanges.

FORMATION OF SUBCOMMITTEES

7. To expedite the consideration and taking forward of those worthwhile and practicable proposals of LanDAC members and the public, we propose to form under LanDAC four subcommittees (SCs) below generally according to the different nature of the proposals.

- i. Development and Conservation – for proposals concerning development, planning, and use of land, environment and conservation.
- ii. Economic and Social – for proposals concerning the development of economic/industry sectors (including local community economy), and manpower development (including education/training and jobs/employment) of the sectors.
- iii. Traffic and Transport – for proposals concerning traffic and transport services (air, land and water) as well as their infrastructures.
- iv. Community Relation and Engagement – for spearheading communication/publicity of LanDAC work and proposals and community/stakeholder engagement of the proposals with a view to enhancing public ownership and consensus.

8. Regarding the composition of the proposed SCs, to enable a more balanced coverage of the SCs by non-official LanDAC members, we propose that each non-official member may join at most two SCs. The concerned government bureaux/departments (B/Ds) will also join the relevant SC as members. Regarding the SC chairmanship, we propose the chair and deputy chair of each SC be taken up by non-official LanDAC members with relevant knowledge as assigned by the LanDAC Chairman. The concerned B/Ds will provide secretariat

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support to the respective SCs. The tentative B/Ds' composition for each SC is set out at the **Annex**.

9. In addition, we may include co-opted SC members who can further enhance the consideration of the concerned proposals. They can be suitable individuals appointed by the LanDAC Chairman and/or those proposed by the SC chairs/deputy chairs or the SCs, subject to the established principles of appointments to advisory and statutory bodies¹.

COMMUNICATION PLAN

10. As discussed in its second meeting, LanDAC agrees that it is of utmost importance to communicate LanDAC's works with the community. We plan to conduct a series of publicity initiatives which will be considered under the "Community Relation and Engagement" SC. They may include –

- i. branding Lantau using promotional videos and animation to enrich the LanDAC webpage;
- ii. latest news to be posted in LanDAC webpage;
- iii. links to the webpages of related projects/studies be provided in LanDAC webpage;
- iv. press release and briefings for the media;
- v. reports and briefings to the concerned District Councils and, where appropriate, also the Development Panel of the LegCo, to report on progress and work of LanDAC including the projects/studies for Lantau; and
- vi. leaflets/newsletters for distribution to the local communities through the concerned District Offices, Rural Committees and Owners Committees/Mutual Aid Committees etc.

¹ The principles have been uploaded to Home Affairs Bureau's website below.
http://www.hab.gov.hk/en/policy_responsibilities/District_Community_and_Public_Relations/advisory.htm.

ADVICE SOUGHT

11. Members are invited to offer views on the paper. Subject to LanDAC's discussion and decision at this meeting, we aim to check with members on which SCs they will join and identify co-opted SC members so as to seek LanDAC's agreement on the proposed SC membership by circulation with a view to setting up the SCs as early as practicable.

**Development Bureau
July 2014**

Suggested Tentative Composition of LanDAC Subcommittees

1. Development and Conservation
 - Chairman – non-official LanDAC members
 - Deputy chairman – non-official LanDAC members
 - Members – DEVB, CITB, HAB, EPD, PlanD, CEDD, AFCD, interested non-official LanDAC members, and other B/Ds on a need basis
 - Secretary – PlanD

2. Economic and Social
 - Chairman – non-official LanDAC members
 - Deputy chairman – non-official LanDAC members
 - Members – CITB, PlanD, HAD, LD, EDB, interested non-official LanDAC members, and other B/Ds on a need basis
 - Secretary – CITB

3. Traffic and Transport
 - Chairman – non-official LanDAC members
 - Deputy chairman – non-official LanDAC members
 - Members – THB, TD, HyD, HAD, CEDD, PlanD, interested non-official LanDAC members, and other B/Ds on a need basis
 - Secretary – TD

4. Community Relation and Engagement
 - Chairman – non-official LanDAC members
 - Deputy chairman – non-official LanDAC members
 - Members – DEVB, PlanD, CEDD, HAD, interested non-official LanDAC members, and other B/Ds on a need basis
 - Secretary – HAD