

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
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Head : 118 - Planning Department Subhead (No. & title) : --

Programme : (2) – District Planning

Controlling Officer : Director of Planning

Director of Bureau : Secretary for Housing, Planning and Lands

Question : Under this Programme, the Planning Department worked closely with the Housing, Planning and Lands Bureau and the Urban Renewal Authority (URA) in 2002 in the implementation of the “Early Launch” urban renewal projects, and in the processing of the URA’s corporate plan and business plan for approval by the Financial Secretary. In this connection, would the Government inform this Council of the staff establishment required?

Asked by : Hon. LAU Ping-cheung

Reply :

During 2002, a total of 9 professional staff (including one Assistant Director who rendered overall supervision) were involved in supporting the implementation of the urban renewal programme, which includes assisting the Housing, Planning and Lands Bureau and the Urban Renewal Authority (URA) in the implementation of the “Early Launch” urban renewal projects and the processing of the URA’s Corporate Plan and Business Plan. Technical support was rendered by 4 survey and technical officers. These professional and technical officers were also engaged in other on-going projects of the URA and other urban renewal matters.

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Director of Planning

Date _____

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