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Question : In connection with the five non-directorate posts planned to be created by the Planning Department in 2007-08, please advise on:

- (a) the ranks and posts involved; and
- (b) the need for the above posts.

Asked by : Hon. LAU Wong-fat

Reply :

(a) The posts and ranks involved are:

<u>Rank</u>	<u>No. of post</u>
(i) Senior Town Planner	1
(ii) Town Planner/Assistant Town Planner	1
(iii) Landscape Architect/Assistant Landscape Architect	1
(iv) Executive Officer I	1
(v) Executive Officer II	1

(b) Reasons for the planned creation:

Posts (i) and (ii) are required to provide professional support to undertake planning and development studies for Hong Kong's long-term development.

Post (iii) is required to strengthen professional landscape architectural input to the preparation and assessment of planning proposals to meet community aspiration for a better quality living environment.

Posts (iv) and (v) are required to assist in providing efficient management of human resources, training and general office administration in the Department.

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