

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2007-08

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Head: 118 Planning Department Subhead (No. & title):

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Controlling Officer: Director of Planning

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Housing, Planning and Lands

Question : With respect to the consultancies currently being managed by the Planning Department in respect of the undertaking of air ventilation assessment for major government projects and the provision of advice on air ventilation assessment submissions, please provide in detail the items in the consultancy agreements, including the projects, contract sums, schedules of assessment and the resources entailed by the Planning Department.

Asked by : Hon. LEE Wing-tat

Reply :

The Planning Department is managing two consultancies relating to air ventilation assessments (AVAs).

The first one is the "Consultancy for Provision of Services for Undertaking AVAs". The Consultant has been instructed to undertake AVAs for three projects, namely Oil Street Sale Site, Central Reclamation Urban Design Study and Hung Hom District Study. The provision earmarked for this study is \$1.3 million. This study is planned to be completed in 2007.

The second one is the "Consultancy for Provision of Advisory Services on AVA Submissions". The Consultants have been instructed to provide expert evaluation on two AVAs submitted by applicants in support of their planning applications to the Town Planning Board, and another one in association with the tender submissions for the Tamar project. The provision earmarked for this study is \$1.3 million.

The management of these two consultancy services has been and will continue to be taken up by existing staff as part of their normal duties.

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