ANTIQUITIES ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of the 186th Meeting on Thursday, 13 June 2019 at 2:30 pm at Conference Room, Hong Kong Heritage Discovery Centre, Kowloon Park, Haiphong Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon

Present: Mr Douglas SO Cheung-tak, JP (Chairman)

Prof CHING May-bo Prof CHIU Yu-lok Prof CHU Hoi-shan Mr HO Kui-yip, JP

Mr Peter LAU Man-pong Dr Jane LEE Ching-yee, JP Mr LEE Ping-kuen, JP

Ms Phyllis LI Chi-miu, BBS Dr Annissa LUI Wai-ling Ms Theresa NG Choi-yuk, JP

Mr SHUM Ho-kit, JP Mr Rex WONG Siu-han Dr Sharon WONG Wai-yee

Prof YAU Chi-on

Miss Theresa YEUNG Wing-shan

Ms Alice YIP Ka-ming

Mr Asa LEE (Secretary)

Senior Executive Officer (Antiquities and Monuments)

Antiquities and Monuments Office

Absent with Apologies: Ms Vanessa CHEUNG Tih-lin

Mr Tony IP Chung-man

Mr Christopher LAW Kin-chung, JP

Mr Ronald LIANG

In Attendance: <u>Development Bureau</u>

Miss Joey LAM

Deputy Secretary (Works) 1 [DS(W)1]

Mr José YAM

Commissioner for Heritage [C for H]

Mr Robin LEE

Chief Assistant Secretary (Works) 2 [CAS(W)2]

Mr Allen FUNG

Political Assistant to Secretary for Development [PA to SDEV]

Ms Joey LEE

Assistant Secretary (Heritage Conservation) 3 [AS(HC)3]

Mr Eddie WONG

Chief Executive Officer (Heritage Conservation) 1 [CEO(HC)1]

Mr Samuel WONG

Engineer (Heritage Conservation) Special Duties [E(HC)SD]

Miss Connie WONG

Secretariat Press Officer (Development) [SPO(DEV)]

Antiquities and Monuments Office

Ms Susanna SIU

Executive Secretary (Antiquities and Monuments) [ES(AM)]

Mr Vincent LEE
Senior Architect (Antiquities & Monuments) 1
[SA(AM)1]

Mr CHIN Hoi-fun
Senior Architect (Antiquities & Monuments) 2
[SA(AM)2]

Mr NG Chi-wo Curator (Historical Buildings) 2 [C(HB)2]

Mr Ray MA
Curator (Archaeology) [C(Arch)]

Miss Pauline POON
Assistant Curator I (Building Survey) [ACI(BS)]

Planning Department

Ms Sally FONG
Assistant Director / Metro [AD(M)]

Architectural Services Department

Mr LEUNG Kam-pui Assistant Director (Property Services) [AD(PS)]

Ms CHAN Mei-kuen Senior Maintenance Surveyor / Heritage [SMS(H)]

Opening Remarks

<u>The Chairman</u> welcomed Members and government representatives to the meeting.

Item 1 Confirmation of Minutes of the 185th Meeting held on 14 March 2019 (Board Minutes AAB/1/2019-20)

- 2. The minutes of the 185th Meeting held on 14 March 2019 were confirmed with the following amendment to paragraph 29 proposed by Mr SHUM Ho-kit:
- "29. Mr SHUM Ho-kit declared that he was the Chairman of Yuen Long District Council ("DC"), an elected DC member of Shap Pat Heung East constituency, and had no property in the said constituency. He enquired about Government's prevailing practice in handling applications to redevelop or alter graded buildings, such as whether special conditions would be imposed. He also enquired the reason for according Nil Grade status to Lam Ancestral Hall, No. 157 Shan Pui, Shap Pat Heung, despite its long history (probably built before 1900)."

Item 2 Matters Arising and Progress Report (Board Paper AAB/4/2019-20)

- 3. <u>ES(AM)</u> briefed Members on the progress of major heritage conservation projects and initiatives from 1 February to 15 May 2019, including preservation, restoration and maintenance of historic buildings and structures, archaeological work, and educational and publicity activities detailed in the Board paper. The proposal of declaring three items as monuments would be discussed under agenda item 3 (i.e. Board paper AAB/5/2019-20).
- 4. <u>Ms Theresa NG</u> thanked the Commissioner for Heritage's Office ("CHO") and the Antiquities and Monuments Office ("AMO") for organising a wide range of programmes and activities to the public. She suggested that more places should be arranged for popular events. C for H undertook to follow up.

Item 3 Declaration of One Rock Carving and Two Historic Buildings as Monuments (Board Paper AAB/5/2019-20)

5. <u>The Chairman</u> thanked Members for attending the site visits to Yuk Hui Temple and Hau Mei Fung Ancestral Hall on 30 May and 3 June 2019 respectively. The visit to the rock carving at Cape Collinson, originally scheduled for 31 May 2019 and subsequently re-scheduled for 11 June 2019, had been cancelled due to

inclement weather. <u>The Chairman</u> recapped that the following three items would be considered for declaration as monuments —

- (i) the rock carving at Cape Collinson, Eastern District, a newly discovered rock carving;
- (ii) Yuk Hui Temple, No. 2 Lung On Street, Wan Chai, H.K., Grade 1 (Serial No. 103); and
- (iii) Hau Mei Fung Ancestral Hall, Kam Tsin Village, Sheung Shui, N.T., Grade 1 (Serial No. 377).

The Rock Carving at Cape Collinson, Eastern District, a newly discovered rock carving

- 6. At the Chairman's invitation, <u>C(Arch)</u> introduced to Members the location and archaeological significance of the rock carving with the aid of video clips and photos. He also showed photos of other declared rock carvings in Hong Kong for Members' reference.
- 7. <u>Ms Phyllis LI</u> commented that the rock carving, together with the other two declared rock carvings at Big Wave Bay and Tung Lung Chau, formed a stylistic sub-group around the port and coast of Lei Yue Mun channel, reflecting the maritime and religious activities along the passage in ancient times. Therefore, she considered that the rock carving had high archaeological interest and supported the proposed declaration.
- 8. <u>Ms Theresa NG</u> opined that the late discovery of the rock carving was probably due to its location within the military restricted zone at Siu Sai Wan. She supported the proposed declaration.

[Post-meeting note: The rock carving was within the military installations closed area for "367 Signals Unit Aerial Installations, Little Sai Wan" published in the Government Gazette in 1953.]

9. <u>Dr Sharon WONG</u> mentioned that she visited the rock carving earlier with AMO and supported the proposed declaration. She suggested that the size of the carving and the rock type (e.g. volcanic rock) could be highlighted to justify its rarity and importance in the aspect of archaeological interest. In addition, she

suggested adding "Southern Song Dynasty"(南宋時期)in the heritage appraisal when Fat Tong Mun(佛堂門)passage was mentioned as the latter did not appear earlier than Southern Song Dynasty in historical record.

- 10. <u>Prof CHIU Yu-lok</u> opined that the carved patterns on the rock could be interpreted in a number of ways, like a typical shape of a witch's head, large upper ears having the shape similar to those bronze heads unearthed at Sanxingdui(三 星堆), and four legs of an animal's totem(圖騰). He believed that the carving style could probably be traced back to the Neolithic Age. However, <u>Dr Sharon WONG</u> was of the view that it would be more appropriate and convincing to date the rock carving to Bronze Age in terms of its spiral pattern(雲雷紋).
- 11. Mr Rex WONG supported the proposed declaration. However, he was not sure whether the proposed monument boundary would be too close to the waters as there would be erosion along the coast. Mr HO Kui-yip suggested using contours to demarcate the monument boundary. ES(AM) confirmed that the proposed monument boundary would be above the High Water Mark and the rock carving would not be affected by high tides.
- 12. <u>Mr Peter LAU</u>, <u>Dr Annissa LUI</u> and <u>Miss Theresa YEUNG</u> also supported the proposed declaration. They suggested that the Government could explore feasible measures to protect the rock carving from vandalism, as well as alerting the public to the risk of visiting the site.
- 13. Mr SHUM Ho-kit expressed his concern on the protection of the other eight declared rock carvings. Mr HO Kui-yip echoed and suggested that the Government should conduct regular inspections and use 3D scanning to assess and record the condition of the rock carvings. ES(AM) replied that AMO had completed 3D scanning for the nine rock carvings in Hong Kong, including the rock carving at Cape Collinson, to properly record and monitor their current condition.
- 14. With no further view from Members, the proposed declaration of the rock carving at Cape Collinson, Eastern District as monument under section 3(1) of the Antiquities and Monuments Ordinance (Cap. 53) ("the Ordinance") was recommended by the Board.

Yuk Hui Temple, No. 2 Lung On Street, Wan Chai, H.K., Grade 1 (Serial No. 103)

- 15. With the aid of photos, <u>C(HB)2</u> elaborated the heritage value of Yuk Hui Temple. He also described the relationship between the temple and St. James' Settlement which was in its vicinity.
- 16. In response to Mr Rex WONG's enquiry, C(HB)2 replied that the black spot shown within the proposed boundary of the temple was a shrine. Prof CHU Hoi-shan added that boundary demarcation was crucial as it determined the actual area for preservation. C(HB)2 stressed that joint surveying work with the Lands Department would be carried out before demarcating proposed monument boundary.
- 17. <u>Prof CHIU Yu-lok</u> appreciated the high authenticity of the temple and remarked that the temple represented the exchanges among intellectuals from different parts of the territory in the past and during the early development of Wan Chai.
- 18. <u>Prof CHING May-bo</u> commented that it was beyond doubt that the temple was worth declaring as monument. Its architecture was comparable to the other Pak Tai Temples in Mainland China. The Chinese inscriptions "Yuk Hui Temple" on the granite lintel above the main entrance of the temple were the fist calligraphy of ZHANG Yutang, the then Commodore of the Dapeng Brigade, implying the recognition of Qing's sovereignty by the local community. Those wooden plaques in the temple, which were donated by the then fabric dealers, reflected the commercial activities of the area in the past.
- 19. <u>Prof YAU Chi-on</u> fully supported the proposed declaration having regard to the rich history and high heritage value of the temple. Besides, he opined that the temple served as the centre of the community with diversified functions. For instance, the communal hall and school were venues for settling public affairs and providing education for the local community. He suggested to elaborate on the history of the Pak Tai bronze statue in future by making reference to the book 《香港本地風光》 by WONG Pui-kei (黃佩佳).

- 20. <u>Dr Jane LEE</u> suggested that the relationship between St. James' Settlement and the temple should be highlighted when publishing the heritage value of this item as the temple was once used by the former to provide educational services to the neighborhood.
- 21. <u>Ms Alice YIP</u> suggested to install QR code check points at the temple and other declared monuments to facilitate visitors to obtain more information about the stories behind them.
- 22. <u>C(HB)2</u> thanked Members for their suggestions. He advised that AMO conducted guided tours regularly for Friends of Heritage and members of the public to introduce the history and stories of the declared monuments. Moreover, AMO was exploring the use of QR code and would beef up the heritage information on its website to promote heritage education and raise public's interest and awareness on heritage conservation in Hong Kong.
- 23. After deliberation, the proposed declaration of Yuk Hui Temple, No. 2 Lung On Street, Wan Chai, H.K., Grade 1 (Serial No. 103) as monument under section 3(1) of the Ordinance was recommended by the Board.

Hau Mei Fung Ancestral Hall, Kam Tsin Village, Sheung Shui, N.T., Grade 1 (Serial No. 377)

- 24. With the aid of photos, <u>C(HB)2</u> briefed Members on the heritage value of the ancestral hall.
- 25. <u>Ms Phyllis LI</u> supported the proposed declaration. During the site visit on 3 June 2019, she observed that there were vehicles parked outside the ancestral hall. <u>C(HB)2</u> explained that since the ancestral hall was a private property, the area in front of it was usually used by villagers. AMO would liaise with Kam Tsin Village to explore how best to improve the environment and ambience around the building after the ancestral hall was declared as monument.
- 26. <u>Prof CHIU Yu-lok</u> commented that the ancestral hall was erected by a prominent ancestor of the Hau clan in Kam Tsin Village. There were historic relics in the ancestral hall such as timber carvings and ancestral tablets. He considered the linkage between the ancestral hall and Sir Robert HO TUNG also contributed to the heritage significance of the ancestral hall. The proposed

declaration of the ancestral hall as a monument, therefore, was supported.

- 27. <u>C(HB)2</u> took the opportunity to thank the managers of the ancestral hall who showed him the inscription inside the ancestral tablets, which had recorded a brief history of their ancestors, including that of HAU Cheuk-wan.
- 28. <u>Prof CHING May-bo</u> and <u>Dr Sharon WONG</u> enquired about the authenticity of the story of Sir Robert HO TUNG in the history of the ancestral hall. Besides, <u>Prof CHING May-bo</u> suggested to quote the genealogy of Hau clan in the appraisal as the source of history of the ancestral hall, and <u>Dr Sharon WONG</u> opined that the conferral of *juren* to HAU Cheuk-wan in the 53rd year of the Qianlong reign of the Qing Dynasty was historically significant to the ancestral hall.
- 29. <u>C(HB)2</u> clarified that the story of Sir Robert HO TUNG was actually mentioned in the speech given by General HO Shai-lai, the son of Sir Robert HO TUNG, in Kam Tsin Village Ho Tung School recalling his childhood memories at the school opening ceremony in 1974.
- 30. <u>Prof YAU Chi-on</u> considered that the ancestral hall demonstrated a significant linkage, which was rarely found in other ancestral halls, between a prominent clan (i.e. the Hau clan) in the rural area and a renowned figure (i.e. Sir Robert HO TUNG) in the urban community. The nearby Tung Ying Hok Po, Kam Tsin Village Ho Tung School and the Lady Ho Tung Welfare Centre (its Main Block and Bungalow were accorded a Grade 2 status) were some of the best examples showing the historical linkage. In addition, he suggested that the ways of celebrating traditional rituals and ceremonies (e.g. lantern lighting ceremonies) at the ancestral hall in the past could also be highlighted.
- 31. With no further view from Members, the proposed declaration of Hau Mei Fung Ancestral Hall, Kam Tsin Village, Sheung Shui, N.T., Grade 1 (Serial No. 377) as monument under section 3(1) of the Ordinance was recommended by the Board.

Item 4 Assessment of Historic Buildings (Board Paper AAB/6/2019-20)

Confirmation of Proposed Grading for New Items

- 32. <u>C(HB)2</u> recapped that the Board had endorsed the proposed grading of the following four items at the meeting on 14 March 2019. Following the established practice, a one-month public consultation on the proposed grading was conducted from 19 March to 19 April 2019.
 - (i) Masonry Bridge, Pok Fu Lam Reservoir, Pok Fu Lam Reservoir Road, Pok Fu Lam, H.K., Proposed Grade 1 (Serial No. N132);
 - (ii) Tunnel Portal of Water Mains from No. 5 Dam, Former Braemar Reservoir of Taikoo Sugar Refinery, Choi Sai Woo Park, Braemar Hill Road, North Point, H.K., Proposed Grade 2 (Serial No. N52);
 - (iii) Tin Hau Temple, San Tsuen, Tai O, Lantau Island, N.T., Proposed Grade 2 (Serial No. N257); and
 - (iv) Nos. 301 & 303 Castle Peak Road, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon, Proposed Grade 2 (Serial No. N251).

Masonry Bridge, Pok Fu Lam Reservoir, Pok Fu Lam Reservoir Road, Pok Fu Lam, H.K., Proposed Grade 1 (Serial No. N132)

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Tin Hau Temple, San Tsuen, Tai O, Lantau Island, N.T., Proposed Grade 2 (Serial No. N257)

33. <u>C(HB)2</u> reported that no written submission was received for the above three items. Members agreed to confirm the grading of the three items.

Nos. 301 & 303 Castle Peak Road, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon, Proposed Grade 2 (Serial No. N251)

- 34. <u>C(HB)2</u> reported that one written submission was received, objecting to the proposed Grade 2 status for Nos. 301 & 303 Castle Peak Road, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon and suggesting instead that the item should be accorded Grade 1. The written submission had been circulated to Members before the meeting. The member of public opined that the premises, being one of the few surviving pre-1950 corner tenement buildings with verandahs, was underrated taking into account its rarity, and opined that the item should be accorded Grade 1. <u>C(HB)2</u> reported to the Board that the independent Historic Buildings Assessment Panel (the "Assessment Panel"), after reviewing the written submission, maintained the proposed Grade 2 status given that the submission had not put forth new information to justify the proposed Grade 1 status.
- 35. The Chairman concluded that since the public view for Nos. 301 & 303 Castle Peak Road, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon had already been fully considered by the Assessment Panel and the Board, he suggested to confirm the item as Grade 2. Members supported. The proposed Grade 2 status for Nos. 301 & 303 Castle Peak Road, Sham Shui Po, Kowloon (Serial No. N251) was confirmed.

Confirmation of Proposed Grading for Items with Objections

- 36. <u>C(HB)2</u> briefed Members that amongst the 1 444 buildings considered by the Board in 2009, the proposed grading of some of them was not yet confirmed due to objections received during public consultation earlier. Since December 2016, the Board had been invited to confirm the proposed grading of these buildings by batches. For this meeting, Members were invited to confirm the proposed grading of the following five buildings. The objection letters and replies in respect of these buildings had been provided to Members before the meeting:
 - (i) Clubhouse, Shek O Country Club, No. 5 Shek O Road, Shek O, H.K., Proposed Grade 3 (Serial No. 928);
 - (ii) No. 3 Shek O Road, Shek O, H.K., Proposed Grade 3 (Serial No. 894);
 - (iii) Nos. 109 112 Lin Fa Tei, Pat Heung, Yuen Long, N.T., Proposed Grade 2 (Serial No. 466);

- (iv) No. 45 Tai Kei Leng, Main Building, Shap Pat Heung, Yuen Long, N.T., Proposed Grade 3 (Serial No. 863); and
- (v) No. 45 Tai Kei Leng, Entrance Gates and Enclosing Wall, Shap Pat Heung, Yuen Long, N.T., Proposed Grade 3 (Serial No. 910).
- 37. <u>C(HB)2</u> reported that the owners of the five items above objected to the proposed grading as they considered that the grading might hinder the future redevelopment and affect the ownership rights, or the authenticity of their buildings had been undermined by past repair works and hence not worth grading. He supplemented that the Assessment Panel, after reviewing the objections and the information submitted by the owners, upheld the proposed grading of the five items as no new information had been received.
- 38. With the aid of photos, <u>C(HB)2</u> recapped the historical and architectural merits, as well as the latest situation of each of the five items, and showed examples of similar types of graded buildings for Members' reference.
- 39. As it had been some time since the owners' submission of their objection letters, Mr Rex WONG and Ms Phyllis LI expressed concern that the owners might think that their earlier objection had been accepted. C for H explained that all cases with objections received would be further reviewed and studied by the Assessment Panel to confirm whether new and proven information which might have bearing on the heritage value was provided. Since no new information of the five items had been received, the owners had been informed prior to the meeting that their building would be considered by the Board on whether the proposed grading status should be confirmed. The owners had also been advised that the grading system was administrative in nature aiming to provide an objective basis for assessing the heritage value of historic buildings, and would not affect the ownership, usage, management and development rights of the buildings concerned.
- 40. With no further view from Members, the proposed grading of the five items with objections were confirmed by the Board.

New Items for Grading Assessment

- 41. Apart from the proposed items for declaration as monuments, Members were also invited to deliberate on the proposed grading of the following three new items which were visited by Members on 30 May and 3 June 2019:
 - (i) University Lodge, The University of Hong Kong, No. 1 University Drive, Pok Fu Lam, H.K., Proposed Grade 1 (Serial No. N40);
 - (ii) Ex-Portuguese Community School (Escola Camões), No. 7 Cox's Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon, Proposed Grade 2 (Serial No. N206); and
 - (iii) Nos. 26A C Graham Street, Central, H.K., Proposed Grade 3 (Serial No. N341).
- 42. Before discussion, the Chairman informed Members that Ms Phyllis LI had declared interest before the meeting for being an Adjunct Professor in The University of Hong Kong. He considered that the declaration did not have any direct or indirect conflict of interest in the subject matter to be discussed (i.e. the proposed grading for University Lodge, The University of Hong Kong) and suggested that Ms Phyllis LI could join the discussion. In addition, in view that The University of Hong Kong had a long history and had many alumni over the years, the Chairman also said that Members who were alumni of the University needed not declare interest.
- 43. <u>Miss Theresa YEUNG</u> separately declared that the Urban Renewal Authority ("URA"), owner of Nos. 26A C Graham Street, Central, was one of the clients of her serving company (i.e. Ove Arup & Partners Hong Kong Limited), but she had no personal involvement in the project. <u>The Chairman</u> suggested her to withdraw from the discussion.
- 44. With the aid of photos, <u>C(HB)2</u> briefed Members on the historical and architectural merits of the three new items and their proposed grading. Photos of similar types of graded buildings were also shown to Members for reference.

University Lodge, The University of Hong Kong, No. 1 University Drive, Pok Fu Lam, H.K., Proposed Grade 1 (Serial No. N40)

45. Members had no comment and endorsed the proposed grading of the University Lodge.

Ex-Portuguese Community School (Escola Camões), No. 7 Cox's Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon, Proposed Grade 2 (Serial No. N206)

- 46. Mr HO Kui-yip supported the proposed grading of the item. He noticed from the photos that there might be some unauthorised building works ("UBW") at the school and enquired if those UBW would be part of the graded item. C(HB)2 responded that those UBW had not been considered in the grading assessment as the assessment only took into account the architectural merit, such as the historic architectural features and major character defining elements, of the building.
- 47. In response to <u>Dr Sharon WONG</u>'s enquiry on the relationship between the school and the Club de Recreio, a Grade 3 building at No. 20 Gascoigne Road, <u>C(HB)2</u> explained that the school was operated in the club in its early days and the club used to be a major social gathering place for Portuguese. With increasing number of students, the school was then relocated to the premises at No. 7 Cox's Road after it had been rehabilitated from war damage. In view of this, the school had high social value as it was one of the few surviving historic buildings that had direct connections with the Portuguese community in Hong Kong and testified the development of the community.
- 48. <u>Mr SHUM Ho-kit</u> commented that the school had been established for over a century and was a historical reminder of the Portuguese community in Hong Kong. He, therefore, supported the proposed grading of the school.
- 49. With no further view, Members endorsed the proposed grading of Ex-Portuguese Community School.

Nos. 26A – C Graham Street, Central, H.K., Proposed Grade 3 (Serial No. N341)

- 50. <u>ES(AM)</u> reported that a submission from a concern group regarding Nos. 26A C Graham Street was received, which had been circulated to Members before the meeting. The concern group requested to remove the plastic sheeting and scaffolding of the item so that the public could inspect and assess the heritage value of the buildings during the subsequent one-month consultation period after the meeting.
- Mr HO Kui-yip and Prof CHING May-bo opined that the proposed Grade 3 status of Nos. 26A C Graham Street was largely attributed to its historical interest, social value and local interest, rather than its architectural merit, as most of the architectural characteristics had vanished. For example, the timber floorings inside the premises had either largely collapsed or been removed, with a very small portion retained but in a dilapidated condition.
- 52. <u>Prof CHIU Yu-lok</u> and <u>Mr LEE Ping-kuen</u> opined that the proposed Grade 3 status for Nos. 26A C Graham Street was appropriate in reflecting the significance of the building. They further expressed concerns on the possible effect to the structural stability and safety of the premises that might be caused by the construction works currently underway.
- 53. <u>Dr Sharon WONG</u> shared with Members the case of Wing Woo Grocery at No. 120 Wellington Street, a Grade 1 building. The whole premises of Wing Woo Grocery was preserved, instead of only its façade. She asked whether the same rationale could be applied to Nos. 26A C Graham Street. She also raised the importance of the historical and social values of Nos. 26A C Graham Street as they represented a local identity, reminding people of the historical streetscape along Graham Street. <u>Mr SHUM Ho-kit</u> supported the idea and further enquired the number of similar shophouses remaining in Hong Kong.
- 54. <u>C(HB)2</u> responded that the Assessment Panel had taken into account the historical and social values of Nos. 26A C Graham Street in relation to the development of the local street market. He estimated that there were over 30 similar buildings in Hong Kong.

55. C for H thanked Members for their comments. He shared with Members the conservation management plan adopted by URA for the case of H18 (i.e. the Peel Street / Graham Street Development Scheme). During the planning process and design of H18's redevelopment project, URA had consulted various stakeholders, in particular the Central and Western District Council, in order to gather feedback from different parties. Regarding Nos. 26A – C Graham Street, URA had invited Dr LEE Ho-yin, an experienced practitioner in built heritage conservation to inspect the premises. It was assessed that the façades were the major character-defining element worthy of preservation, taking into account the safety and structural strength of the premises. Therefore, to exercise the "preservation-cum-development" proposal of the premises, URA proposed to preserve the façades on one hand, and revitalised the remaining portions on the other.

56. After deliberation, Members endorsed the proposed grading of Nos. 26A – C Graham Street.

Item 5 Any Other Business

Visit to the Rock Carving at Cape Collinson

- 57. <u>Dr Annissa LUI</u> suggested rescheduling a date to visit the rock carving at Cape Collinson for Members as the last two visits on 31 May and 11 June 2019 were cancelled due to inclement weather. The Secretariat would follow up.
- 58. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:04 pm.

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