

**Progress of Archaeological Projects between November 2011 and February 2012**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Background</b>	<b>Progress/Result</b>
1.	Post-excavation research for the rescue excavation at So Kwun Wat, Tuen Mun (屯門掃管笏) held in 2008-09	<p>The So Kwun Wat site was recorded as early as the 1920s. Its significance was further substantiated by subsequent investigations over the past decades during which rich archaeological remains of prehistoric, Han (漢), Ming (明) and Qing (清) periods with features of stone implement workshops and burials were discovered.</p> <p>The rescue operation between 2008-09 was conducted jointly with the Institute of Archaeology, Chinese Academy of Social Science (IACASS, 中國社會科學院考古研究所). The field report and the gist of excavation findings were published in the <i>Archaeology</i> (考古) <i>Journal</i> No.7 of 2010 and in the book entitled <i>Major Archaeological Discoveries in China in 2009</i> (國家文物局主編, 《2009 中國重要考古發現》, 北京: 文物出版社, 2010. 4) respectively.</p>	The excavation report has been completed and is now placed in the Reference Library of the Hong Kong Heritage Discovery Centre for public viewing.
2.	Archaeological investigation for proposed sewage pumping station and rising mains in Area 54, Tuen Mun	The proposed sewage pumping station falls within the Kei Lun Wai Site of Archaeological Interest. An archaeological survey was required to ascertain the archaeological potential of the pumping station site and associated areas prior to commencement of construction.	Fieldwork was completed in November 2011. No significant cultural remain was recovered from test pits of the proposed sewage pumping station.

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3.	Archaeological survey for small house redevelopment in Yung Shue Wan, Lamma (南丫島榕樹灣)	An archaeological survey was required to examine the archaeological potential of the small house site within the Yung Shue Wan Site of Archaeological Interest.	Fieldwork commenced in February 2012 and is expected to be completed in late March 2012.
4.	Archaeological survey for small house development in Tai Long Sai Wan, Sai Kung (西貢大浪西灣)	An archaeological survey was required to examine the archaeological potential of the small house site within the Tai Long Sai Wan Site of Archaeological Interest.	Fieldwork was completed in February 2012. No significant cultural remain was recovered from test pits of the small house site.
5.	Archaeological survey for small houses development in Sheung Tsuen, Pat Heung, Yuen Long (元朗八鄉上村)	An archaeological survey was required to examine the archaeological potential of the small house sites within the Pat Heung Sheung Tsuen Site of Archaeological Interest.	Fieldwork commenced in February 2012 and is expected to be completed by mid-March 2012.