

Progress of Archaeological Projects between March and May 2012

Item	Project	Background	Progress/Result
1.	Archaeological survey for small houses 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 sites within the Yung Shue Wan Site of Archaeological Interest.	Fieldwork was completed in March 2012. Prehistoric cultural remains were recovered from the test pits of the small house site.
2.	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 was completed in March 2012. Ceramic sherds of Ming and Qing dynasties were recovered from disturbed layers from the test pits of the small house sites.
3.	Archaeological survey for small houses development in Nam Wai, Sai Kung (西貢南圍)	An archaeological survey was required to examine the archaeological potential of the small house sites within the Nam Wai Site of Archaeological Interest.	Fieldwork was completed in May 2012. No significant cultural remains were recovered from test pits of the small house sites.

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4.	Archaeological survey-cum-excavation for Central Police Station (CPS) Conservation and Revitalisation project by the Hong Kong Jockey Club (HKJC)	In accordance with the requirements of the Environmental Permit (EP-408/2011) and Planning Condition (TPB/A/H3/399) laid down by the Town Planning Board, HKJC is conducting an archaeological survey-cum-excavation with a permit granted by the Antiquities Authority under section 6 of the Antiquities and Monuments Ordinance (Cap. 53). HKJC conducted an archaeological investigation in 2011 which identified areas of high, medium and low significance in terms of their archaeological potential and heritage values. The remains of high heritage significance will be preserved in situ while those of less heritage value will be recorded in details, which is an internationally adopted conservation approach. The survey-cum-excavation is a follow-up of the archaeological investigation to verify the archaeological investigation findings.	The archaeological survey-cum-excavation is still underway. About one third of the proposed archaeological work in the prison area has been completed. The latest findings confirmed the results of previous archaeological investigation works. It is anticipated that all archaeological work in the CPS site will be completed by the end of this year. The Antiquities and Monuments Office will continue to closely monitor the archaeological work and inform the Antiquities Advisory Board of the findings when necessary.