

For discussion
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**MEMORANDUM FOR THE
ANTIQUITIES ADVISORY BOARD**

ASSESSMENT OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

PURPOSE

This paper invites Members to consider confirming the grading of the five items as detailed in paragraph 3, and the proposed grading of the three new items of theatre buildings as set out in paragraph 4.

BACKGROUND

2. As at the meeting held on 3 March 2016, Members have endorsed the grading of 1 333 buildings, as follows:

- (a) 171 buildings with Grade 1 status;
- (b) 361 buildings with Grade 2 status;
- (c) 490 buildings with Grade 3 status;
- (d) 293 buildings with no grading; and
- (e) 18 buildings with no further processing due to their demolition or substantial alteration.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

3. At the meeting on 3 March 2016, Members agreed to accord proposed grading to the five items as listed at Annex A, which are related to the Ma On Shan Iron Mine. Following the usual practice, the Antiquities and Monuments Office (AMO) commenced a one-month public consultation on the proposed grading of these items. During the consultation period, eleven written comments were received from the public supporting the grading of the

five items, four of which suggested to upgrade the grading of the items to Grade 2 or above and two suggested to declare the items as monuments. The written submissions received by AMO have been delivered to Members before the meeting for Members' information and consideration. Members may, therefore, wish to confirm the proposed grading of the five items.

4. The Assessment Panel has also completed the heritage assessment and grading recommendations of the three new items of theatre buildings listed at **Annex B**. Members are invited to comment on the proposed grading of these new items. Subject to Members' views, AMO will upload the proposed grading of the three items to the website of the Board for a one-month public consultation as usual. We will report to Members on the information or views received for further consideration before finalising their grading.

ADVICE SOUGHT

5. Members are invited to:
- (a) consider confirming the grading of the five items as detailed in paragraph 3 above; and
 - (b) consider endorsing the proposed grading of the three new items of theatre buildings set out in paragraph 4 above.

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