MEMORANDUM FOR THE ANTIQUITIES ADVISORY BOARD

ASSESSMENT OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

PURPOSE

This paper invites Members to consider confirming the grading of 37 items set out in paragraphs 3 to 6, and endorsing the proposed grading of two items set out in paragraph 7 below.

BACKGROUND

2. As at the meeting held on 7 December 2017, Members have confirmed the grading of 1 398 buildings as follows:

- (a) 179 buildings with Grade 1 status;
- (b) 369 buildings with Grade 2 status;
- (c) 518 buildings with Grade 3 status;
- (d) 307 buildings with no grading; and
- (e) 25 buildings with no further processing due to their demolition or substantial alteration.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

<u>Confirmation of Grading for 31 Items related to the Old Dairy Farm, Pok</u> <u>Fu Lam</u>

3. At the meeting on 7 December 2017, Members endorsed the proposed grading of 31 items related to the Old Dairy Farm in Pok Fu Lam as listed at <u>Annex A</u>. Following the established practice, a one-month public

consultation on the proposed grading of the 31 items was subsequently carried out. Three written submissions were received during the public consultation period, with one support and two objections¹, which have been passed to Members for consideration before the meeting.

Confirmation of Grading for Cases where Objection(s) have been Received

4. As at 7 December 2017, under the list of 1 444 historic buildings, the proposed grading for 80 of them has been endorsed by the Board but yet to be confirmed due to objection(s) received during public consultation. The grading system is administrative in nature and it does not affect the ownership, usage, management and development rights of the buildings concerned. With a view to better recognising the heritage value of these historic buildings, and wrapping up the grading of the list of 1 444 historic buildings, the Antiquities and Monuments Office ("AMO") will continue to invite the Board to review and confirm the proposed grading of these buildings, having regard to the circumstances of individual cases.

(a) No. 5 Broom Road, Happy Valley, Wan Chai (Item 1 listed at <u>Annex B</u>) (b) No. 7 Broom Road, Happy Valley, Wan Chai (Item 2 listed at <u>Annex B</u>)

5. Nos. 5 and 7 Broom Road were both proposed to be accorded a Grade 3 status by the Board in March 2009. One objection from the owner of both items was received during public consultation. The relevant objection letter and reply have been sent to Members for consideration before the meeting.

(c) No. 4 Green Lane, Happy Valley, Wan Chai (Item 3 listed at <u>Annex B</u>)

- (d) No. 6 Green Lane, Happy Valley, Wan Chai (Item 4 listed at <u>Annex B</u>)
- (e) No. 8 Green Lane, Happy Valley, Wan Chai (Item 5 listed at <u>Annex B</u>)
- (f) No. 10 Green Lane, Happy Valley, Wan Chai (Item 6 listed at <u>Annex B</u>)

6. Nos. 4, 6, 8 and 10 Green Lane were all proposed to be accorded a Grade 3 status by the Board in March 2009. Objections from the owners of these items were received during public consultation. The relevant objection letters and replies have been sent to Members for consideration before the

¹ One objection to the proposed grading was received <u>after</u> the public consultation period and thus it is not counted towards the number of views received during public consultation.

meeting.

New Items for Grading Assessment

7. The independent Historic Buildings Assessment Panel has completed the grading assessment and grading recommendations of the building at No. 92 Blue Pool Road, Happy Valley, Wan Chai and the Building of The Garden Company, Limited at No. 58 Castle Peak Road, Sham Shui Po listed at <u>Annex C</u>. Subject to Members' views, AMO will upload the proposed grading of these items and their respective heritage appraisals to the website of the Board for a one-month public consultation as per the usual practice. We will report to Members on the information or views received for further consideration before finalising their grading.

ADVICE SOUGHT

- 8. Members are invited to:
 - (a) consider confirming the proposed grading of the items set out in paragraphs 3 to 6 above; and
 - (b) consider endorsing the proposed grading of the items set out in paragraph 7 above.

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