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AAB/14/2013-14	Dr William Jeffery	The Marine Archaeological Investigation (MAI) of seabed off Town Island at Sai Kung, New Territories is a continuation of the Surveying and Documenting the Underwater Heritage of Hong Kong – Stage 1 research project led by the applicant and funded by the Lord Wilson Heritage Trust in 2009 and 2010. From the results of this project, a small bay off Town Island was found to contain hundreds of ceramic artefacts. Some of them can be dated back to the mid-17 th century. The MAI aims at carrying out an in-depth survey at the small bay to recover and document the artefacts there.	Fieldwork was completed in July 2014. No shipwreck was found. Ceramic sherds of Qing dynasty to the modern period were discovered. The final report was agreed by the Antiquities and Monuments Office (AMO) in December 2017.
AAB/38/2013-14	Ms Sarah Heaver	The MAI for the Planning and Engineering Study on Future Land Use at Ex-Lamma Quarry Area at Sok Kwu Wan, Lamma Island – Feasibility Study project is initiated by the Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD). It is a designated project under the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Ordinance. The geophysical survey of the project identified seabed anomalies to be affected by the proposed works. The MAI aims at verifying the nature of these anomalies and the result will form part of the EIA report.	Diver survey was completed in January 2015. No archaeological remain was identified. The MAI report is under preparation.

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AAB/12/2015-16	Ms Julie Van Den Bergh	To conduct an Archeological Watching Brief (AWB) for the Sewerage Works at Wang Tong Village under the Upgrading of Mui Wo Sewage Treatment Works and Village Sewerage at Wang Tong and Yue Kwong Chuen, Lantau Island project, which is initiated by the Drainage Services Department (DSD). The Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment report of the project prepared in 2009 recommends that an AWB should be carried out during the construction phase to oversee the excavation works at Wang Tong Village.	Fieldwork was completed in August 2016. No significant archaeological remain was identified. The final report was agreed by AMO in May 2018.
AAB/29/2015-16	Ms Liu Mao (劉茂女士)	The AWB in Peng Chau for the Replacement and Rehabilitation of Water Mains Stage 4 Phase 2 – Mains on Outlying Islands project is initiated by the Water Supplies Department (WSD) to replace and rehabilitate the aged water mains on outlying islands. The Final Environmental Review report, which was issued in 2010, recommends that an AWB should be carried out during the construction phase to oversee the excavation works for the alignments within or in close proximity to Lo So Shing, Peng Chau and Pui O Sites of Archaeological Interest.	Due to the existence of underground drainage pipes and electricity cables at the site, WSD confirmed in April 2017 that no excavation works could be conducted for the construction, except some inspection pits. Excavation of inspection pits was conducted in July 2016 and no archaeological remain was identified. The final report was agreed by AMO in May 2018.
AAB/29/2015-16	Mr Wang Hong (王宏先生)	The archaeological rescue excavation and the AWB at Ha Wun Yiu Village for Tolo Harbour	The archaeological work at Ha Wun Yiu was completed. Archaeological features, including

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		sewerage of unsewered areas were conducted based on the final Archaeological Impact Assessment (AIA) report issued in 2009. An AWB for all impacted areas that fall within the Wun Yiu Site of Archaeological Interest is recommended during the construction phase. Further evaluation was conducted according to the updated detailed design in 2012. Rescue excavation at some works areas with significant archaeological potential is also required in addition to the AWB.	kiln remains and blue and white porcelain sherds of Wun Yiu, were unearthed. The final report is being prepared.
AAB/30/2015-16	Dr Michael Atha (范旼澔博士)	The archaeological excavation and search on the island of Yim Tin Tsai, Sai Kung aims at providing a fieldwork training opportunity for undergraduate students of the Department of Anthropology of the Chinese University of Hong Kong and conducting further investigation into the character and extent of the Han site where deposits of the Han dynasty were unearthed during an archaeological survey-cum-excavation by the Hong Kong Archaeological Society (HKAS) conducted in 2013.	Fieldwork was completed in December 2016. A few pottery sherds of Han dynasty were unearthed. The final report is under preparation.
AAB/30/2015-16	Mr Ng Chun Nam (吳震霖先生)	The AWB at San Tsuen and Nga Yiu Tau for Pak Hok Lam Trunk Sewer and Sha Tau Kok Village Sewerage is part of the North District Sewerage Stage 2 (remainder) and sewerage to Chuen	Fieldwork was completed in November 2016. No archaeological remain was identified. The final report was submitted to AMO in March 2018.

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		Lung, Kau Wa Keng Old Village and Lo Wai project initiated by DSD. The final Preliminary Environmental Review (PER) report which was completed in 2010 during the investigation phase of the project recommended that an AWB should be carried out in the proposed sewerage works areas of archaeological potential in San Tsuen and Nga Yiu Tau during the construction phase to oversee the excavation works. A licence was granted in June 2015 for the AWB but the construction works are yet to be completed. This is a renewal of the licence to tie in with the construction works schedule for carrying out the remaining AWB.	
AAB/30/2015-16	Mr Steven Ng Wai Hung (吳偉鴻先生)	The AWB for a section of the proposed road L54A for Site Formation and Infrastructural Works near Tong Hang Road and Tsz Tin Road in Area 54, Tuen Mun is initiated by CEDD. The proposed AWB aims at ensuring that the construction works would not disturb the <i>in-situ</i> archaeological remains identified at two test pits in the archaeological survey in 2000; and to salvage and record any archaeological remains unearthed in the licence area in the course of the construction works. In case significant archaeological finds are identified, AMO will be informed immediately and appropriate mitigation	Fieldwork was completed in August 2017. Celadon bowl fragments of Ming dynasty, blue and white porcelain broken pieces, roof tiles, wall remains of Qing dynasty and a well probably dated to Qing to modern period were unearthed. The final report is under preparation.

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		measures will be proposed and implemented in prior agreement with AMO.	
AAB/39/2015-16	Dr Guo Lixin (郭立新博士)	The archaeological rescue excavation for the proposed development at Lots 196 and 197 S.A. ss.1 in D.D. Cheung Chau is initiated by Wide Will Corporation Limited. It is stipulated in the approval for the concerned planning application that an Archaeological Action Plan (AAP) should be submitted to AMO and mitigation measures should be implemented in accordance with the approved AAP. Based on the baseline and impact assessment studies, the AAP recommends conducting an archaeological data and cultural remains at the aforesaid lots prior to the commencement of any excavation work.	Pottery sherds and stone tools of Neolithic period were unearthed. The final report is under preparation.
AAB/39/2015-16	Mr Wang Hong (王宏先生)	The archaeological rescue excavation and watching brief for the sewerage works at Yung Shue Wan Site of Archaeological Interest, Lamma Island under the Outlying Islands Sewerage Stage 2 – Lamma Village Sewerage Phase 2, Package 1 project are initiated by DSD. Based on the PER report of the project issued in 2010, an AWB is recommended for some works areas at Yung Shue Wan Back Street, Sha Po New Village and Yung Shue Long New Village during	No significant archaeological remain was

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		the construction phase of the project while rescue excavation is proposed for some other works areas at Yung Shue Wan Back Street with significant archaeological potential.	
AAB/1/2017-18	Dr William Jeffery	The marine archaeological survey and excavation of an anchor stock site on the southern tip off High Island and a Basalt Island cannon site on behalf of the Hong Kong Maritime Museum are to conduct further survey on both sites as well as to recover the second cannon from the Basalt Island site. A licence was issued to Dr Jeffery in August 2015 to conduct the survey and excavation.	The survey and excavation were conducted in July 2016. The licence was renewed in March 2017 to facilitate the completion of the survey and excavation works. Fieldwork was completed in June 2017. The final report is under preparation.
AAB/12/2017-18	Dr Liu Wensuo (劉文鎖博士)	The AWB at the provisional area for the construction of To Kwa Wan Station of Shatin-to-Central Link is initiated by MTR Corporation Limited to identify any further archaeological potential or suspected archaeological deposits that may be unearthed during construction and ensure them to be properly addressed. The AWB commissioned for the provisional area may involve further excavation works. Dr Liu was granted a licence to conduct the AWB in April 2016. The AWB also includes inspection of the backfilling works at T1 within the provisional area for better	-

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		preservation of the unearthed archaeological features dated to the Song-Yuan dynasties.	
AAB/12/2017-18	Mr Wang Fei (王飛先生)	The AWB for the proposed construction of a canopy at the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club (RHKYC), Kellett Island, Hong Kong is to ascertain whether the proposed development at RHKYC would cause adverse impact on the Kellett Island Site of Archaeological Interest where RHKYC is situated. An assessment was conducted in 2014 to evaluate the archaeological impact imposed by the proposed works. Based on the AIA report issued in 2015, an AWB is recommended as a mitigation measure.	No archaeological remain was identified. The final report is under preparation.
AAB/12/2017-18	Dr Zheng Junlei (鄭君雷博士)	The AWB at Kei Lun Wai and Fu Tei Ha Tsuen for the Castle Peak Road Trunk Sewer and Tuen Mun Village Sewerage project is initiated by DSD. Since some of the sewerage works areas fall within the Kei Lun Wai and Fu Tei Ha Sites of Archaeological Interest, an AWB is required to oversee the excavation works within these areas.	Fieldwork commenced in February 2018 and is still underway.
AAB/13/2017-18	Mr Wang Hong (王宏先生)	The archaeological investigation at Nam Tong, Tung Lung Chau undertaken by HKAS is a research project with financial support from the Government. It aims to conduct further investigation on northern Tung Lung Chau where	Fieldwork undertaken by members of HKAS was completed in November 2017. Finds dated to Song dynasty, including a coin, ceramic sherds and roof tiles, were unearthed. The final report was submitted to AMO in

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		architectural remains of the Song dynasty were discovered during an archaeological investigation by HKAS conducted in 2016.	February 2018.
AAB/18/2017-18	Ms Kennis Yip Ho Sze (葉可詩女士)	The archaeological investigation of stone "altar" structures on the summit of Kwun Yam Shan in the Kadoorie Farm and Botanic Garden, Tai Po commissioned by Kadoorie Farm and Botanic Garden Corporation is to clarify the character, date and past use of the stone "altar" structures at Kwun Yam Shan's summit area in order to better understand the history and use of the site.	Fieldwork was completed in November 2017. No significant archaeological finding was discovered. The final report is under preparation.
AAB/18/2017-18	Mr Wang Fei (王飛先生)	The AIA for the proposed construction of five New Territories Exempted Houses in "Village Type Development" Zone on Government Land in D.D. 275, Ham Tin, Tai Long Wan, Sai Kung is commissioned by the consultancy firm representing the building applicants to evaluate the archaeological impact on the proposed construction within the Ham Tin Site of Archaeological Interest and formulate mitigation measures, according to the conditions of planning approval issued by the Town Planning Board.	Fieldwork was completed in April 2018. No significant archaeological remain was identified. The final report is under preparation.
AAB/23/2017-18	Ms Julie Van Den Bergh	(i) The conservation study report on Nga Tsin Wai commissioned by Urban Renewal Authority (URA) in 2009 recommended	(i) The fieldwork schedule for the remaining AIA work to be confirmed.

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		an archaeological investigation to ascertain the archaeological potentials of the village before redevelopment. Ms Julie Van Den Bergh was commissioned by URA to complete the remaining fieldwork of the AIA.	(ii) Fieldwork for the further excavation commenced in March 2018 and is still underway.
		(ii) Recently, URA initiated a further excavation in the village site to further assess the impact of the redevelopment project on heritage conservation and to recommend mitigation measures as appropriate.	
AAB/23/2017-18	Ms Sarah Heaver	The MAI for the Cycle Track between Tsuen Wan and Tuen Mun (Tuen Mun to So Kwun Wat Section) project is initiated by CEDD. The purpose of the MAI is to conduct a diver survey to locate, identify and assess the significance of any underwater archaeological resources that may be affected by the proposed development and propose appropriate mitigation measures to minimise the impacts on the underwater cultural heritage.	Fieldwork was completed in March 2018. No marine archaeological remain was identified. The final report is under preparation.
AAB/23/2017-18	Prof Zhou Meifu (周美夫教授)	To conduct an excavation and search for fossils in the areas of sedimentary rocks and soils in Hong Kong on behalf of the Department of Earth	Fieldwork schedule to be confirmed.

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