

**For discussion  
on 13 June 2019**

**BOARD PAPER  
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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 nine items set out in paragraphs 3 to 5, and endorsing the proposed grading of the three items set out in paragraph 6 below.

**BACKGROUND**

2. Members are invited to note the position in assessing historic buildings as at the last meeting held on 14 March 2019:

- (a) 180 items with Grade 1 status;
- (b) 376 items with Grade 2 status;
- (c) 551 items with Grade 3 status;
- (d) 328 items with no grading;
- (e) 46 items with no further processing due to their declaration as monuments; and
- (f) 26 items with no further processing due to their demolition or substantial alteration.

**ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**Proposed Grading Endorsed at the Last Meeting**

3. At the meeting on 14 March 2019, Members endorsed the proposed grading of the Masonry Bridge in Pok Fu Lam Reservoir, the Tunnel Portal of

Water Mains from No. 5 Dam in Choi Sai Woo Park, North Point, the Tin Hau Temple in San Tsuen, Tai O, and Nos. 301 & 303 Castle Peak Road, Sham Shui Po as listed at **Annex A**. Following the established practice, a one-month public consultation on the proposed grading of the four items was carried out. No written submission was received on the proposed grading of the Masonry Bridge in Pok Fu Lam Reservoir, the Tunnel Portal of Water Mains from No. 5 Dam in Choi Sai Woo Park and the Tin Hau Temple in San Tsuen. One written submission objecting the proposed Grade 2 status of Nos. 301 & 303 Castle Peak Road was received during the public consultation period, which has been passed to Members for consideration before the meeting.

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

4. As at 14 March 2019, under the list of 1 444 historic buildings, the proposed grading for 58 of them has been endorsed by the Board but yet to be confirmed due to objection(s) received during public consultation earlier. The grading system is administrative in nature and 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) Clubhouse, Shek O Country Club, No. 5 Shek O Road, Shek O (Item 1 at **Annex B**)

(b) No. 3 Shek O Road, Shek O (Item 2 at **Annex B**)

(c) Nos. 109 – 112 Lin Fa Tei, Pat Heung, Yuen Long (Item 3 at **Annex B**)

(d) No. 45 Tai Kei Leng, Main Building, Shap Pat Heung, Yuen Long (Item 4 at **Annex B**)

(e) No. 45 Tai Kei Leng, Entrance Gates and Enclosing Wall, Shap Pat Heung, Yuen Long (Item 5 at **Annex B**)

5. The Board endorsed the proposed Grade 2 status for Nos. 109 – 112 Lin Fa Tei, and the proposed Grade 3 status for the Clubhouse of Shek O Country Club, No. 3 Shek O Road, and the Main Building, Entrance Gates and Enclosing Wall of No. 45 Tai Kei Leng in March 2009. Objections from the respective owners of the five items were received during public consultation

earlier. The relevant objection letters and replies have been provided to Members for consideration before the meeting.

### **New Items for Grading Assessment**

6. The independent Historic Buildings Assessment Panel has completed the grading assessment of the University Lodge of The University of Hong Kong, the ex-Portuguese Community School at No. 7 Cox's Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, and Nos. 26A – C Graham Street, Central. The recommended proposed grading for the items are at **Annex C**. Subject to Members' views, AMO will upload the proposed grading of the items and their respective heritage appraisals to the website of the Board for a one-month public consultation in accordance with the established practice. We will report to Members the views received for further consideration before finalising their grading.

### **ADVICE SOUGHT**

7. Members are invited to:
- (a) consider confirming the proposed grading of the items set out in paragraphs 3 to 5 above; and
  - (b) consider endorsing the proposed grading of the items set out in paragraph 6 above.

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