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Progress of Archaeological Licences Issued since 2013 (as at 15 August 2019)

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AAB/38/2013-14	Ms Sarah Heaver	The Marine Archaeological Investigation (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.	Fieldwork was completed in January 2015. No archaeological remain was identified. The MAI report is under preparation.
AAB/29/2015-16	Mr Wang Hong (王宏先生)	The archaeological rescue excavation and the Archeological Watching Brief (AWB) at Ha Wun Yiu Village for Tolo Harbour 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	The archaeological work at Ha Wun Yiu was completed. Archaeological features, including kiln remains and blue and white porcelain sherds of Wun Yiu, were unearthed. The final report is under preparation.

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		potential is also required in addition to the AWB.	
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 the Antiquities and Monuments Office (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 rescue excavation to retrieve archaeological data and cultural remains at the aforesaid lots prior to the commencement of any excavation work.	Fieldwork was completed in December 2017. 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 the Drainage Services Department (DSD). Based on the Preliminary Environmental Review report of the project issued in 2010, an AWB is recommended for some works	Fieldwork was completed in October 2017. No significant archaeological remain was identified. The final report is under preparation.

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		areas at Yung Shue Wan Back Street, Sha Po New Village and Yung Shue Long New Village during 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/12/2017-18	Dr Liu Wensuo (劉文鎖博士)	The AWB at the provisional area for the construction of Sung Wong Toi Station of Shatin-to-Central Link is initiated by MTR Corporation Limited (MTRCL) 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 work. 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 preservation of the unearthed archaeological features dated to the Song-Yuan dynasties.	Fieldwork was completed in July 2018. 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	Fieldwork was completed in June 2018. No archaeological remain was identified. The final report is under preparation.

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		the Kei Lun Wai and Fu Tei Ha Sites of Archaeological Interest, an AWB is required to oversee the excavation work within these areas.	
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 an archaeological investigation to ascertain the archaeological potential of the village before redevelopment. Ms Julie Van Den Bergh was commissioned by URA to complete the remaining fieldwork of the AIA. (ii) URA initiated and commissioned 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.	(i) The fieldwork for the remaining AIA work was completed in November 2018. The final report is under preparation. (ii) Fieldwork for the further excavation was completed in December 2018. The final report is under preparation.
AAB/26/2017-18	Mr Steven Ng Wai Hung (吳偉鴻先生)	To conduct an AIA for the proposed residential development at Tuen Mun Town Lot No. 417, Tai Lam Chung, Tuen Mun initiated by Sun Hung Kai Real Estate Agency Limited, in accordance with the advisory clauses in the approval letter given by the Town Planning Board, and to recommend	Fieldwork was completed in November 2018. No significant archaeological remain was identified. The final report is under preparation.

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		appropriate mitigation measures, if necessary.	
AAB/40/2017-18	Dr Liu Wensuo (劉文鎖博士)	The archaeological survey is initiated by MTRCL to assess the feasibility for providing a passenger connection from Sung Wong Toi Station to Pak Tai Street, which likely has impact on the archaeological potential area.	Fieldwork commenced in January 2019 and is underway.
AAB/40/2017-18	Prof David Parham	The MAI for the metal object at the seabed of Wan Chai is initiated by CEDD. The metal object was originally found near the ex-Wan Chai Ferry Pier and was relocated to its current location in 2015 under the monitoring of a qualified marine archaeologist. Subsequent to the relocation of the metal object, CEDD initiates a MAI to further investigate the identity and ownership of the metal object; and to establish its heritage value, if any.	Fieldwork was completed in February 2019. The final report is under preparation.
AAB/40/2017-18	Ms Kennis Yip Ho Sze (葉可詩女士)	To conduct an archaeological survey as further confirmatory exploration works for Site Formation and Infrastructure Works for Public Housing Developments at Tuen Mun Central – Investigation, Design and Construction initiated by CEDD. As advised in the Preliminary Built Heritage and Archaeological Impact Assessment under Preliminary Development Review for Housing Sites at Tuen Mun Central – Feasibility	Fieldwork was completed in February 2019. Mainly ceramic sherds and tile fragments of Song-Yuan period to the 20th century were unearthed. The final report was agreed by AMO in July 2019.

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		Study, the proposed archaeological survey aims to generate further data on potential archaeological deposits for evaluating archaeological impact arising from the proposed housing developments with recommendation of appropriate mitigation measures, if necessary.	
AAB/3/2019-20	Ms Sarah Heaver	To conduct a MAI at Yi O initiated by CEDD as part of the Study for Pier Improvement at Yung Shue Wan, Shek Tsai Wan, Yi O and Ma Wan Chung – Investigation. The purpose of the MAI at Yi O is to establish the identity of each anomaly located in a marine geophysical survey and assess its archaeological potential. The diver survey will also cover the project areas where the marine geophysical survey could not be successfully conducted due to the seabed constraints. Appropriate mitigation measures would be formulated to avoid or minimise the impacts on the archaeological resources according to the survey results.	Fieldwork was completed in April 2019. No archaeological remain was identified. The final report is under preparation.
AAB/3/2019-20	Ms Sarah Heaver	To conduct a MAI for the TKO Connect Cable System between Siu Sai Wan and Tseung Kwan O initiated by Hong Kong Broadband Network Limited. The purpose of the MAI is to assess the archaeological potential of three unidentified	Fieldwork was completed in March 2019. No archaeological remain was identified. The MAI report was agreed by AMO in May 2019.

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		sonar contacts and twelve magnetic anomalies identified by the marine geophysical survey; and to propose appropriate mitigation measures to minimise the impacts on the archaeological resources if any marine archaeological resources are found.	
AAB/3/2019-20	Mr Steven Ng Wai Hung (吳偉鴻先生)	To conduct a further AIA for the comprehensive residential and recreational development in the "Comprehensive Development Area" (CDA) zone in various lots in D.D.165, 207 and 218 and adjoining government land at Sai Sha, Shap Sz Heung in Tai Po. The objectives of the proposed archaeological fieldwork for the further AIA are to assess the potential archaeological impact that may arise from the CDA development. Appropriate mitigation measures would be proposed and implemented, in liaison with AMO, if significant archaeological remains are identified.	Fieldwork commenced in April 2019 and is underway.
AAB/3/2019-20	Ms Julie Van Den Bergh	To conduct a preliminary archaeological survey (PAS) for Lung Tsun Stone Bridge (LTSB) Preservation Corridor at Kai Tak Development, which consists of AWB and archaeological excavation for six survey trench locations at the sections of Solid Mass and Supporting Pillars,	Fieldwork commenced in April 2019 and is underway.

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		initiated by Architectural Services Department. The objectives of the PAS are to investigate the unexcavated areas of the LTSB alignment and assess the potential impact of the construction of the associated infrastructure, in particular, the feasibility of installing reinforced concrete footing and strap beams, to facilitate the project design and implementation of archaeological mitigation measures for the construction works.	
AAB/3/2019-20	Prof Zhou Meifu (周美夫教授)	To search for fossils in the areas of sedimentary rocks and soils within Hong Kong on behalf of the Department of Earth Sciences of The University of Hong Kong for teaching and research purpose.	Fieldwork schedule is to be confirmed.