

Progress of Archaeological Projects with Licences Issued
(as at 15 May 2022)

Ref.	Licensee	Project	Progress
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 forms part of the EIA report.	Fieldwork was completed. No archaeological remain was identified. The MAI report is under preparation.
AAB/23/2017-18	Ms Julie Van Den Bergh	<p>(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 Archaeological Impact Assessment (AIA).</p> <p>(ii) URA initiated and commissioned a further excavation in the village site to further assess the impact of the redevelopment project on</p>	The fieldwork for the remaining AIA work was completed in November 2018 and further excavation was completed in December 2018. Comments on the draft reports have been given to the licenced archaeologist and the Antiquities and Monument Office (AMO) has met the project proponent to discuss the draft reports and comments. The reports are being finalised.

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		heritage conservation and to recommend mitigation measures as appropriate.	
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. Comments on the draft report have been given to the licenced archaeologist. The draft report is being revised.
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 objective of the proposed archaeological fieldwork for the further AIA is 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 was completed in March 2020. Owing to the decease of the licensed archaeologist, the project proponent and the archaeological consultancy are exploring the way forward to finalise the archaeological project.

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AAB/18/2019-20	Ms Julie Van Den Bergh	The Archaeological Watching Brief (AWB) at Tung Wan on Cheung Chau is for the construction of Pressure Management and District Metering Installations of the Water Supplies Department. The AWB was recommended by the Heritage Impact Assessment report of the same project. The purpose of the AWB is to monitor construction excavation works at identified locations and record evidence of archaeological materials, features or deposits if found; and to recommend mitigation measures, in agreement with AMO, in case of the discovery of significant archaeological findings.	Fieldwork commenced in July 2020. Since the licence has expired in June 2021, the licensed archaeologist is applying for a new licence for the remaining archaeological work.
AAB/27/2019-20	Ms Julie Van Den Bergh	To conduct proposed further investigation of enclosure wall in Nga Tsin Wai Village for URA Project K1 Nga Tsin Wai Village Redevelopment. The proposed further investigation is the Stage One of the archaeological work to conduct further archaeological investigation on the north and south enclosure walls within the proposed ground floor footprint of the development for recording the archaeological evidence on construction, maintenance and destruction of the walls and assessing their current condition and the impact of the proposed development and to propose the preservation approach for agreement with AMO.	Fieldwork was completed in March 2021. The final report is under preparation.

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AAB/8/2021-22	Dr Lee Man Hoi (李文愷博士)	To conduct excavation and 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 purposes.	Field work commenced in November 2021 and is underway.
AAB/8/2021-22	Mr Ng Chun Lam (吳震霖先生)	To conduct an archaeological survey at Portion 1a and 8b of the Kwu Tung North New Development Area for the project of Kwu Tung North New Development Area Phase 1: Site Formation and Infrastructure Works under Civil Engineering Development Department's contract No. ND/2019/01. The purpose of the archaeological survey is to evaluate the archaeological potential of the survey area for archaeological impact assessment. According to the result of the archaeological survey, mitigation measures will be proposed if necessary.	Field work commenced in September 2021 and is underway.
AAB/11/2021-22	Ms Julie Van Den Bergh	To conduct an archaeological field investigation for EIA Study for Tung Chung Line Extension initiated by MTR Corporation Limited (MTRCL). The purpose of the archaeological field investigation is to investigate the archaeological potential of the area of archaeological interest within the project area of Tung Chung West Station through additional testing and assess the potential archaeological impacts. Mitigation measures will be recommended if	Fieldwork schedule is to be confirmed.

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AAB/12/2021-22	Ms Sarah Heaver	To conduct MAI for EIA Study for Aberdeen Boat Club Middle Island Development Phases III, IV and V. The purpose of the MAI is to assess the significance of any underwater cultural heritage resources that may be impacted by the proposed marine works at Middle Island. The diver survey will provide detailed information about the archaeological value of the 141 Unknown Objects identified by the marine geophysical survey on the seabed within the study area. Appropriate mitigation measures will be recommended if necessary.	Fieldwork was completed in January 2022. No archaeological remain was identified. The MAI report is under preparation.
AAB/15/2021-22	Mr Ng Chun Lam (吳震霖先生)	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. The archaeological survey, conducted by Dr Liu Wensuo, commenced in January 2019. Since the licence for the archaeological survey expired in December 2019, MTRCL commissioned Mr Ng Chun Lam to continue the archaeological survey. Dr Liu was appointed by MTRCL as professional advisor for the archaeological project. Mr Ng was granted a licence on 9 January 2020 to conduct the survey.	Fieldwork commenced in January 2022 and is underway.

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		The licence was renewed in January 2021 for continuing to carry out the survey when his first licence expired. As his second licence expired in January 2022, the licence was renewed in January 2022 for continuing to carry out the survey.	
AAB/15/2021-22	Mr Ng Chun Lam (吳震霖先生)	To conduct an AWB for the Elderly Home Development by Pok Oi Hospital in Lam Tei, Tuen Mun. The purpose of the AWB is to monitor and record cultural remains if discovered within the project area in the course of excavation works; and recommend appropriate mitigations measures if necessary in agreement with AMO.	Fieldwork schedule is to be confirmed.
AAB/16/2021-22	Mr Wang Wenjian (王文建先生)	To conduct further archaeological survey, archaeological rescue excavation and archaeological watching brief for Tung Chung New Town Extension – Site Formation and Infrastructure Works at Ma Wan Chung initiated by the Civil Engineering and Development Department. The purpose of the archaeological works is to assess the portions of the known archaeological sites to be directly affected by the proposed works, to assess the archaeological potential of the areas near the known archaeological sites, and to identify any unknown archaeological sites to be affected by	Fieldwork commenced in March 2022 and is underway.

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		the proposed works. Appropriate mitigation measures will be recommended for agreement, if necessary.	
AAB/16/2021-22	Ms Julie Van Den Bergh	To conduct an AWB at Che Ha, Shap Long, Hung Shing Ye and Tai Tung for the Construction of Pressure Management and District Metering Installations under Water Intelligent Network (WIN) undertaken by the Water Supplies Department. The AWB is the recommendation for archaeological actions in the Heritage Impact Assessment for the Implementation of WIN, Remaining District Metering Areas and Pressure Management Areas in Kowloon East, Sha Tin and Island Major Supply Zones – Investigation, Design and Construction. The AWB aims at monitoring the chamber construction excavation works at the identified locations and recording evidence of archaeological materials, features or deposits. Mitigation measures will be recommended for agreement by AMO if significant archaeological findings are discovered.	Fieldwork schedule is to be confirmed.

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AAB/20/2021-22	Mr Ng Chun Lam (吳震霖先生)	To conduct an AWB and an archaeological excavation (AE) for the Lung Tsun Stone Bridge (LTSB) Preservation Corridor Project initiated by the Architectural Services Department. The objective of the AWB and AE is to implement the archaeological mitigation measures recommended in the Heritage Impact Assessment for LTSB Preservation Corridor Project at Kai Tak. The AWB aims at monitoring the removal of the backfill deposits which cover the remnants of LTSB, 1924 seawall, 1933 causeway and the former Kowloon City Pier within the future display area as well as the removal of the concrete remains of the former Hong Kong International Airport Passenger Terminal Building, while the AE will be conducted to re-investigate the above-mentioned remnants after the removal of the backfill deposits and to record their condition / state of preservation. The AWB and AE will be conducted to facilitate the construction of the LTSB Preservation Corridor.	Fieldwork schedule is to be confirmed.