

Progress of Archaeological Projects with Licences Issued
(as at 15 February 2023)

Ref.	Licensee	Project	Progress
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 heritage conservation and to recommend mitigation measures as appropriate.</p>	The fieldwork for the remaining AIA work was completed in November 2018 and further excavation was completed in December 2018. The final reports were agreed by AMO in February 2023.
AAB/40/2017-18	Prof. David Parham	The Marine Archaeological Investigation (MAI) for the metal object at the seabed of Wan Chai is initiated by the Civil Engineering and Development Department (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	Fieldwork was completed in February 2019. Comments on the draft report have been given to the licenced archaeologist. The draft report is being revised.

		investigate the identity and ownership of the metal object; and to establish its heritage value, if any.	
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 death of Mr Steven Ng Wai Hung in August 2020, the licensed archaeologist, Ms Julie Van Den Bergh has subsequently been granted a licence in November 2022 to complete the archaeological project (licence reference: AAB/26/2021-22).
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 was agreed by AMO in February 2023.

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.	The final report of the fieldwork is under preparation.
AAB/11/2021-22	Ms Julie Van Den Bergh	To conduct an archaeological field investigation for Environmental Impact Assessment (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 necessary.	Fieldwork was completed in September 2022. The final report is under preparation.
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	Fieldwork was completed in January 2022. No archaeological remain was identified. The MAI report is under preparation.

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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. 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.	Fieldwork was completed in April 2022. The final report is under preparation.
AAB/15/2021-22	Mr Ng Chun Lam (吳震霖先生)	To conduct an Archaeological Watching Brief (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 (ARE) and an AWB for Tung Chung New Town Extension – Site Formation and Infrastructure Works at Ma Wan Chung initiated by CEDD. 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 the proposed works. Appropriate mitigation measures will be recommended for agreement, if necessary.	Fieldwork commenced in March 2022 and is underway.
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.	Fieldwork commenced in May 2022 and is underway.

		Mitigation measures will be recommended for agreement by AMO if significant archaeological findings are discovered.	
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 commenced in July 2022 and is underway.

AAB/23/ 2021-22	Ms Wai Chan, Kathy (陳瑋女士)	The proposed pre-construction archaeological survey and an AWB for Outlying Islands Sewerage Stage 2 – Lamma Village Sewerage Phase 2, Package 2 (the Sewerage Project) are initiated by the Drainage Services Department. The objective of the pre-construction archaeological survey is to ascertain if there is any associated kiln furniture and associated archaeological materials in the area of Kiln K1 and Area B according to the recommendations of the Archaeological Baseline Review Report for the Sewerage Project. Appropriate protection measures for any identified archaeological remains would be recommended. Based on the results of review of the Preliminary Environmental Review for the Sewerage Project, the AWB will be conducted at the selected project areas in Long Tsai Tsuen and Hung Shing Ye so that appropriate actions would be undertaken when archaeological materials are identified in the course of construction works.	Fieldwork commenced in July 2022 and is underway.
AAB/23/ 2021-22	Mr Wang Wenjian (王文建先生)	To conduct an archaeological survey for Upgrading of Deep Bay Road – Investigation. This survey is initiated by the Highways Department. The Preliminary Environmental Review for Upgrading of Deep Bay Road identified archaeological potential areas and recommended archaeological field works, including survey and survey-cum-rescue excavation. The objective of the	Fieldwork was completed in September 2022. The final report is under preparation.

		archaeological survey is to initially identify the presence and extent of any archaeological remains on government land within the works boundaries along the current Deep Bay Road. Based on the results of the proposed archaeological survey, any adverse impact of the project to the archaeological potential within or in the vicinity of the project area will be assessed and, if necessary, further appropriate mitigation measures will be recommended.	
AAB/23/2021-22	Mr Ng Chun Lam (吳震霖先生)	To conduct an AWB for Kai Tak Development Stage 5B Infrastructure Works at the former North Apron Area initiated by CEDD. While the Roundabout Area of the Olympic Avenue was highly disturbed by previous construction works, the AWB will be conducted during the construction phase of the development at the locations which have not been disturbed in previous underground works.	Construction works for the AWB commenced in November 2022 and are in progress.

AAB/26/2021-22	Dr. Li Long Lam (李浪林博士)	To conduct an archaeological survey for Agreement No. CE 20/2021 (CE) First Phase Development of the New Territories North – San Tin / Lok Ma Chau Development Node – Investigation initiated by CEDD. The objective of the archaeological survey is to gather useful archaeological information at this stage in order to provide an AIA for the Environmental Impact Assessment. The archaeological survey will identify if there are any significant cultural layer or archaeological features within the Licence Area, in order to assess potential archaeological impacts that may arise from the development. Where significant archaeological remains are identified, appropriate mitigation measures will be proposed in the AIA.	Fieldwork was completed in December 2022. The final report is under preparation.
AAB/26/2021-22	Ms Julie Van Den Bergh	The 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. It is an ongoing programme but one of the works location is	Upon the expiry of previous licence, a new licence was obtained in November 2022 for the remaining archaeological work. Fieldwork schedule is to be confirmed.

		changed. It is prudent to undertake an AWB for the relocated work sites within Tung Wan Site of Archaeological Interest, Cheung Chau.	
AAB/26/2021-22	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 contract No. ND/2019/01 initiated by CEDD. The purpose of the archaeological survey is to evaluate the archaeological potential of the survey area for AIA. According to the result of the archaeological survey, mitigation measures will be proposed if necessary. Since the licence for the archaeological survey expired in August 2022, Mr Ng applied for the renewal of licence. The licence was renewed in November 2022 for continuing to carry out the survey.	Fieldwork was completed in November 2022. The archaeological report is under preparation.
AAB/26/2021-22	Ms Julie Van Den Bergh	To conduct an archaeological review of Further Archaeological Fieldwork and ARE for Proposed Comprehensive Residential And Recreational Development including Government, Institution or Community Facilities with Minor Relaxation of GFA and Building Height Restriction at Tai Po Town Lot 157, Various Lots in D.D.165, 207 and 218 and Adjoining Government Land, Sai Sha, Shap Sz Heung, New Territories.	Owing to the death of Mr Steven Ng Wai Hung in August 2020, the licensed archaeologist, Ms Julie Van Den Bergh has taken over the archaeological project and has been granted a licence in November 2022 to complete it.

AAB/30/2021-22	Dr. Li Long Lam (李浪林博士)	To conduct an ARE, archaeological survey-cum-excavation and AWB at Tung Chung Valley for Tung Chung New Town Extension – Site Formation and Infrastructure Works at Tung Chung Valley, Phase 1 initiated by CEDD. The objectives of the archaeological works is to survey and record the archaeological remains, if any, in the project area. Appropriate mitigation measures will be recommended and implemented if necessary.	Fieldwork commenced in January 2023 and is underway.
AAB/31/2021-22	Ms Julie Van Den Bergh	To conduct an archaeological field survey for Agreement No. CE 39/2021 (CE) Site Formation and Infrastructure Works for Public Housing Developments at San Hing Road and Hong Po Road, Tuen Mun initiated by CEDD. The objective of the archaeological field survey is to confirm whether the proposed development area has any Song and Ming dynasties as unearthed in 1998 and/or other archaeological relics. Should significant archaeological findings be discovered, appropriate mitigation measures will be recommended for agreement by AMO.	Fieldwork schedule is to be confirmed.