MEMORANDUM FOR THE ANTIQUITIES ADVISORY BOARD

ASSESSMENT OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

PURPOSE

This paper invites Members to consider confirming the grading of the six items set out in paragraphs 4 and 5, and endorsing the proposed grading of the four items set out in paragraphs 6 to 8 below.

BACKGROUND

2. Members are invited to note the position in assessing historic buildings as at the last meeting held on 7 September 2023:

- (a) 201 items with Grade 1 status;
- (b) 408 items with Grade 2 status;
- (c) 618 items with Grade 3 status;
- (d) 347 items with no grading;
- (e) 46 items with no further processing due to their declaration as monuments; and
- (f) 27 items with no further processing due to their demolition or substantial alteration.

3. The grading system is administrative in nature and does not affect the ownership, usage, management and development rights of the buildings concerned.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

Proposed Grading Endorsed at the Last Meeting

4. At the meeting on 7 September 2023, Members endorsed the proposed grading of the following six items as listed at <u>Annex A</u>:

- (a) Po Leung Kuk, Main Building, No. 66 Leighton Road, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong (item 297);
- (b) Stone Steps of Shing Wong Street, Sheung Wan, Hong Kong (item N34);
- (c) No. 30 Kam Shan, Tai Po, New Territories (item N429);
- (d) To Kwa Wan Substation, No. 82 To Kwa Wan Road, Kowloon (item N80);
- (e) Dam of the Former Jordan Valley Reservoir, Kwun Tong, Kowloon (item N82); and
- (f) Hung Hom Clinic, No. 22 Station Lane, Hung Hom, Kowloon (item N75).

5. Following the established practice, a one-month public consultation on the proposed grading of the aforesaid six items was carried out. No submissions were received. Members are invited to confirm the grading of the six items set out in paragraph 4 above.

Review of Proposed Grading and Assessment of New Item

6. The proposed grading of the following item has been reviewed by the Assessment Panel:

(a) Hung Hom (Three Districts) Kaifong Association, No. 66 Gillies Avenue South, Hung Hom, Kowloon (item N74).

7. In addition, the Assessment Panel has assessed the heritage value and completed the grading assessment of the following three items:

- (a) "Birds Bridge", Queen's Road West, Hong Kong (item N1);
- (b) Village house, No. 19 Muk Wu, Ta Kwu Ling, New Territories (item N91); and

(c) "The Nest", No. 21 Ling Shan Road, Fanling, New Territories (item N204).

8. The recommendations of the Assessment Panel for items in paragraphs 6 and 7 above are at <u>Annex B</u>. Subject to Members' endorsement, AMO will upload the proposed grading of the items and their heritage appraisals to the website of the Board for a one-month public consultation in accordance with the established practice. Members will be informed if any views are received for further consideration before finalising their grading.

ADVICE SOUGHT

- 9. Members are invited to:
 - (a) consider confirming the grading of the six items set out in paragraphs4 and 5 above; and
 - (b) consider endorsing the proposed grading of the four items set out in paragraphs 6 to 8 above.

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