# MEMORANDUM FOR THE ANTIQUITIES ADVISORY BOARD

## ASSESSMENT OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS

## PURPOSE

This paper invites Members to:

- (a) consider confirming the grading of the three items set out in paragraphs 4 and 5;
- (b) consider endorsing the proposed grading of the four items set out in paragraph 6; and
- (c) note the updated position of the grading assessment set out in paragraphs 8 and 9 below.

#### BACKGROUND

2. Members are invited to note the position in assessing historic buildings as at the last meeting held on 12 December 2024:

- (a) 204 items with Grade 1 status;
- (b) 409 items with Grade 2 status;
- (c) 632 items with Grade 3 status;
- (d) 351 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 12 December 2024, Members endorsed the proposed grading of the following three items as follows:

- (a) Tin Shui Lau Fong (天水流芳), Chek Keng Sheung Wai (赤徑上圍),
  Sai Kung North, Tai Po, New Territories (item N430) proposed
  Grade 2;
- (b) Nos. 93 and 94 Ng Fai Tin (五塊田), Clear Water Bay, Sai Kung, New Territories (item N431) proposed Grade 2; and
- (c) No. 6 Arran Street, Mong Kok, Kowloon (item N432) proposed Grade 3.

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

#### Assessment of New Items

6. The Historic Buildings Assessment Panel has assessed the heritage value and completed the grading assessment of the following four items, and thus recommended their proposed grading as follows:

- (a) Nos. 25-26 Tsz Tong Tsuen (河塘村), Kam Tin, Yuen Long, New Territories (item N433) proposed Grade 2;
- (b) Former Garage of Repulse Bay Hotel, No. 60 Repulse Bay Road, Repulse Bay, Hong Kong (item N434) – proposed Grade 3;
- (c) Former Staff Quarters of Repulse Bay Hotel, Repulse Bay, Hong Kong (item N435) – proposed Grade 3; and

(d) No. 153 Queen's Road West, Hong Kong (item N436) – proposed Grade 3.

7. Subject to Members' endorsement, the Antiquities and Monuments Office ("AMO") will upload the proposed grading of the items and their heritage appraisals to the website of the Antiquities Advisory Board ("Board") for a onemonth public consultation in accordance with the established practice. Members will be informed of any views received for further consideration before finalising their grading.

# UPDATED LIST OF 1 444 HISTORIC BUILDINGS AND THE LIST OF NEW ITEMS

8. The latest position in grading the 1 444 historic buildings is at <u>Annex A</u>.

9. Through suggestions from the public and daily work of AMO, a list of new items has been maintained by AMO. Among the 395 items on the list of new items, the grading of 277 items has been confirmed by the Board. The list of new items with updated grading assessment is at <u>Annex B</u>.

# **ADVICE SOUGHT**

- 10. Members are invited to:
  - (a) consider confirming the grading of the three items set out in paragraphs 4 and 5 above;
  - (b) consider endorsing the proposed grading of the four items set out in paragraph 6 above; and
  - (c) note the updated position of the graded buildings and grading assessment set out in paragraphs 8 and 9 above.

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