

Southern District Council

Update on the Queen Mary Hospital Redevelopment, Phase 1

Purpose

This paper aims to brief members on the latest progress of the Queen Mary Hospital (QMH) Redevelopment, phase 1.

Progress Update

A. Senior Staff Quarters (SSQ) Conversion Works

1. The SSQ conversion and associated works are generally on schedule. The widening works of Road D are substantially completed. The width of the carriageway has been increased by over 50% which allows two-way traffic of construction vehicles. This would facilitate the construction works in SSQ and QMH will continue to monitor the vehicular flow at Road D.

B. Preparatory Works for Construction of New Block

1. An application for environmental impact assessment (EIA) study brief to proceed with EIA report for “A Rooftop Helipad at the Proposed New Block of Queen Mary Hospital” has been submitted by the Food and Health Bureau to the Director of Environmental Protection (EPD). An advertisement on the application was published in a Chinese newspaper and an English newspaper on 18 February 2015 for public consultation on the project profile within 14 days upon the release of the advertisement. The EIA study brief would be issued by EPD in April 2015. EIA report is expected to be submitted by Q4 2015.
2. A segment of the existing footpath within the site leading from Pok Fu Lam Road to Kotewall Road would be cut off during the construction stage of the New Block. Temporary arrangement within the site boundary of QMH at the construction stage is considered not feasible as the project would require extensive excavation works and maximise site coverage to fulfill clinical uses. Nevertheless, in view of public concerns, QMH would liaise with the relevant government departments to explore the possibility of re-routing the path outside the hospital area.

3. To facilitate the redevelopment of QMH, The University of Hong Kong has agreed in principle to surrender back to the Government the Rural Building Lot No. 722, which is the existing School of Pathology Building, in exchange for a grant of the land at No. 3 Sassoon, where the store of QMH currently locates. To allay the concerns raised about pedestrian safety, the University has agreed to extend the existing footbridge connecting Pok Fu Lam Road to Sassoon Road.

C. Waiting and Queuing Area for GMB Route No. 63

1. Three feasible options namely rolling shutter, ceiling-mounted screen partition and brick wall were proposed while the installation of ceiling-mounted screen partition is recommended as it is a fixed installation which allows penetration of natural lighting and ventilation.

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