

**Southern District Council**

**Redevelopment of Queen Mary Hospital, Phase 1 – Main Works**

**Purpose**

This paper aims to brief members on the background and progress of Redevelopment of Queen Mary Hospital (QMH), phase 1 and to seek members' views and support on the proposed main works of Redevelopment of QMH, phase 1.

**Background**

2. Established in 1937, QMH is a major acute hospital in the Hong Kong West Cluster of Hospital Authority with around 1 700 beds, serving a population of over 531 000 in the Central and Western District and the Southern District as well as treating many patients of other districts in Hong Kong. Due to insufficient clinical space, unsatisfactory services zoning, outdated design and facilities as well as limited accessibility, the existing capacity of QMH cannot meet the increasing demand and requirements for healthcare services. Redevelopment of QMH is therefore imperative.

3. The in-situ redevelopment of QMH, phase 1 is to be carried out in stages. Preparatory works of the project was approved by Finance Committee (FC) of the Legislative Council in July 2014 which mainly included conversion of Senior Staff Quarters (Block T) and the associated relocation works for decanting of the existing facilities and services at Clinical Pathology Building, Pathology Building of the University of Hong Kong (HKU) and Housemen Quarters.

## **Project Scope**

4. There are two stages of Redevelopment of QMH, phase 1, namely preparatory works and main works.

5. Preparatory works of the project commenced in July 2014. The works for the conversion of Senior Staff Quarters was substantially completed in March 2017. Relocation of the existing facilities and services at Clinical Pathology Building, Pathology Building of HKU and Housemen Quarters into Block T (ex-Senior Staff Quarters) commenced thereafter and is expected to be completed by mid-2018.

6. Main works of the project mainly cover the demolition of Clinical Pathology Building, Pathology Building of HKU and Housemen Quarters, provision of a new vehicular access point from Pokfulam Road and construction of a new hospital block to accommodate the followings:

- (i) Accident and Emergency Department
- (ii) Emergency Medicine Wards
- (iii) Diagnostic Radiology Department
- (iv) Operating Theatres
- (v) Cardiac Catheterization Laboratories
- (vi) Intensive Care Unit/ Paediatric Intensive Care Unit
- (vii) In-patient Wards
- (viii) a roof helipad

7. We plan to seek funding approval from the FC of the Legislative Council in 2Q 2018 to commence the main works of the redevelopment project for completion in 2024 subject to funding approval from FC.

### **Major Improvement/ Benefit**

8. The redevelopment plan will provide additional space and maximised floor areas to meet operational needs. It will be adaptable to service development as well as conducive to integrated research and education. The new QMH will adopt a patient-oriented design equipped with state-of-art medical equipment, with well-coordinated services and improved feasibility for more cost-effective and efficient operations to meet the long-term needs of the community.

9. A rooftop helipad will be provided in the New Block for enhancement of transportation arrangement for life saving service. It will enable a point-to-point speedy transfer of patients for appropriate treatment and receipt of donated organs.

### **Hospital Operation during Works Period**

10. QMH will remain functional at all times during the works and disruption of services, if unavoidable, will be kept to a minimum. Progress of the project will be reported to the District Council and communication with the community will be maintained.

### **Conclusion and Advice Sought**

11. Members are invited to learn the information set out in the paper and to give views and support the Main Works of Redevelopment of QMH, phase 1.

Hospital Authority

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