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Planning & Development Division
Sr Francis Lam PDD Council Chairman

PDD Council Meetings

The PDD Council meeting was held on 15 April to discuss business. The Council agreed to hold a series of PDD PQSL events this summer. Details will be released later.



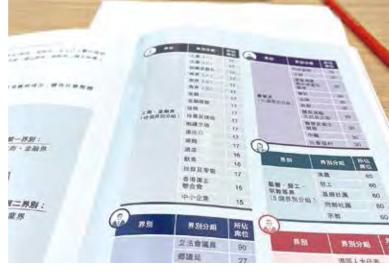
Sr Francis Lam (right) and Sr Junior Ho (left) join the Council Meeting at HKIS headquarters with other Council members via Zoom.

Briefing Session on the Proposed Changes to the Electoral System

Together with HKIS President Sr Edwin Tang and fellows, Sr Francis Lam represented the PDD Council at a briefing session held by the Secretaries for Development and Transport and Housing on 7 April regarding the proposed changes to the electoral system.







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PDD New Members Corner

For its New Members Corner, the PDD invites new Corporate Members who recently passed the Final Assessment to introduce themselves. This month, the latest member to do so is Sr Martin Wu. He said:

It is with humble gratitude that I join the HKIS as a Corporate Member in its Planning and Development Division. This journey began when I spent four years in the Bachelor of Arts in Urban Studies (BAUS) programme followed by two years in the Master of Science in Urban Planning (MUP) programme at the University of Hong Kong. Then I began my professional training at Albert So Surveyors Ltd. During this journey, had I not received the support of my family, mentors, professors, tutors, and friends, I am certain that none of this would have been possible. I take this opportunity to thank all who have helped me along the way, especially to Dr Albert So for his continuous support and tutelage.

As the first member of the inaugural BAUS cohort to qualify, I certainly hope that many more of my peers will join me. Students studying in this field have a bright future to look forward to as long as they keep an open mind, happily accept challenges as they come, never cease to become competent professionals, and, above all else, demonstrate integrity in their conduct.

I begin my post-qualification journey with a determination to build on these tenets and hope to do my part to support the Division, the Institute, and the surveying profession. Finally, as is the common well wish these days, please stay healthy and I look forward to meeting all of you in the future.





Community Outreach: Modular Sham Shui Po Co-creation Workshop for Vacant Land on Yen Chau Street

On 18 April, Francis and Junior joined the Modular Sham Shui Po Co-creation Workshop for Vacant Land on Yen Chau Street as facilitators to explore the possible recreational uses of the vacant land outside the Transitional Housing area on Yen Chau Street. Together with members of the local community, who knew the neighbourhood, they co-created an ideal recreational playground on the vacant plot of land, which can be considered an initial design model for future implementation.

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