



Planning & Development Division
Sr Francis Lam PDD Council Chairman

New Accredited Degree Courses for Admission to the PDD's Assessment for Professional Competence Scheme

The Board of Education recommended the accreditation of the City University of Hong Kong's Master of Urban Design and Regional Planning and the Technological and Higher Education Institute of Hong Kong's Bachelor of Science (Hons) in Surveying cognate degree programmes. This qualifies both programmes for admission to the PDD's Assessment for Professional Competence Scheme.

The PDD is pleased to announce that the General Council endorsed the Board of Education's recommendations on 27 May. The Council will continue to recruit more student members to join the PDD.

New PDD Multiple Membership

The PDD is happy to welcome four new Corporate Members via the multiple membership route, which the Board of Membership and General Council endorsed on 27 May. They are:

- Sr Ko Yu Hong
- Sr Lam Sau Wai
- Sr Law Suet Lun
- Sr Tsang Kin Wing

PDD CPD Event: Social Ventures Hong Kong

On 4 May, the PDD invited Mr Francis Ngai, Founder and Chief Executive Officer of Social Ventures Hong Kong, and Ms Tiffany Fung, Impact Producer, to share with its members the challenges of promoting social innovation projects in Hong Kong. Apart from regaling members on Social Ventures' upcoming projects, Francis shared news on LightBe, Hong Kong's first social housing enterprise that aims to pioneer sustainable social housing and help tenants escape short-term poverty and give their lives fresh starts.



Mr Francis Ngai (middle right) and Ms Tiffany Fung (right) are presented with certificates of appreciation by Sr Francis Lam (middle left) and Sr Junior Ho (left).



Francis and Tiffany discuss social innovation projects in Hong Kong.

PDD CPD Event: Single Composite Building Development (T Plus, Tuen Mun)

Sr Annie Chong, PDD Council Member, delivered a talk on his project, T Plus in Tuen Mun, on 13 May. He mentioned the challenges of combining all types of government accommodation into a single development of nano units, as well as how he tackled every challenge throughout the development process.



Sr Annie Chong (middle) receives a crystal souvenir from Sr Francis Lam (left).



Annie (right) shares his experience in designing T Plus.

PDD CPE Event: Decisive Moment – Can Hong Kong Save Itself from the Housing Supply Crisis?

On 25 May, the PDD invited Mr Ryan Ip, Head of Land and Housing Research of the Our Hong Kong Foundation, to discuss his organisation's latest ten-year forecast on public and private housing supply with a detailed analysis of upcoming private housing completions. Ryan also shared Our Hong Kong's latest recommendations for meeting the ten-year supply target.



Mr Ryan Ip (right) receives a certificate of appreciation from Sr Francis Lam (left).



Ryan shares Our Hong Kong's recent recommendations.

Hong Kong Housing Authority Industry Forum on Innovative Construction Methods for Public Housing Developments 2021

On 14 May, Sr Francis Lam attended the Hong Kong Housing Authority Industry Forum on Innovative Construction Methods for Public Housing Developments 2021.



Stephen Leung (right), Deputy Director (Development & Construction) of the Housing Department, and Sr Francis Lam (left) during the Forum

Sing Tao Daily Column

An article written by Sr Francis Lam was published in Sing Tao Daily on 13 May.

**新田/落馬洲發展樞紐住宅用地
建議提高面積及地積比率**

高深可測 近日發展局正式向立法會發展事務委員會提交文件，簡介有關新田/落馬洲發展樞紐的初步研究和詳細設計，並申請撥款7.938億，筆者對發展計劃的《初步土地用途規劃》，有以下的評論。

新田/落馬洲發展樞紐涵蓋總土地面積約320公頃，按《初步土地用途規劃》所示，純住宅用地為33公頃（僅為總面積約10%），地積比率為3.6至3.7倍，另有混合用途（商/住）土地10公頃鄰近未來的港鐵新田站，地積比率為7倍，還有6公頃土地給鄉村式發展。上述三類土地面積合共49公頃，佔總面積約15%而已。發展局文件估計新田/落馬洲發展樞紐可提供的31000個住宅單位，容納約84000名居民。

眾所周知，香港未來十年的房屋供應是非常倚靠目前已有初步規劃的新發展區土地開發，新田/落馬洲、古洞、新界北、洪水橋、元朗南等新發展區土地正是主力供應者。

然而，住宅土地僅佔新田/落馬洲總開發面積的百分之十，地積比率只是3.6至3.7倍，就算加上未來地鐵新田站混合開發項目，總住宅供應才達到31000個單位，這個數字未免有點低。另一方面，筆者觀察到規劃中有56公頃土地用作休憩用地（open space）及34公頃土地是綠化地帶（green belt），共佔總土地面積約29%。

須知政府開發一個新市鎮需要經歷至少十年時間，由規劃、收地賠償、基礎建設、土地平整、道路水電建設以至房屋興建，因此，筆者在此建議政府考慮適當地增加新田/落馬洲發展樞紐內的住宅土地比例，並且提高其地積比率至5至6倍（未來的港鐵新田站可以承擔出行需求），務求大幅增加住宅單位供應數量，以滿足市民的住房需求。

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Initial Land Use Plan Extract from LegCo Paper No.CB(1)855/20-21(03)

SIP Webinar Series: Post-Covid Impact on Urbanisation

The PDD maintains a close relationship with the Singapore Institute of Planners on the sharing of good practices and ideas to address urban planning challenges.

The SIP organises a series of webinars titled, "Post-Covid Impact on Urbanisation". For further details and registration, please refer to the flyer below.

SIP Webinar Series: "Post-Covid Impact on Urbanization"



Format: Zoom
Language Medium: English
SIP CPD Points: 3 for each session
Bonus CPD Point: 9+1 = 10 for attending 3 sessions
Fees: \$10(SIP) / \$20(Non-SIP) for each session
Reduced Fees: \$20(SIP) / \$50(Non-SIP) for 3 sessions



Date: May to July 2021
Time: Evening (Varies)



Day 2: Panel Speakers Immediate Planning Responses to the 2020's Pandemic

Moderator:
T.B.D.



Ms. Motoko KANEKO,
ALMEC Corporation,
Tokyo, Japan
On "Asian Cities Under
Covid-19 and Its Future Urban
Perspective"



Mr. Peter HYLAND,
Regional Director, CISTRI,
Singapore
On "Twenty Minute City"



Mr. Rahul MITTAL,
Director, CISTRI,
Singapore
On "Howard Smith Wharves
Development in Brisbane
Australia"

Date: 10th June 2021 (Thu)
Time: 5:00-7:00 pm



Day 3: Panel Speakers New Approaches to Post-Covid Planning

Moderator:
T.B.D.



Mr. Tom HOOK,
Global Director, Planning and
Landscape, B+H Architects,
Toronto, Canada



Dr. Stephane LASSERE,
Principal, Design Director,
B+H Architects Asia
Singapore



Mr. Harish RAJAGOPALAN,
Senior Associate Director,
CBRE South Asia Pvt. Ltd.,
On "Commercial Office
Segment in the Post-Covid
Era in India"

Date: 22nd July 2021 (Thu)
Time: (pending)

