

**Development Proposals/Cases Related to Preservation of Historic Buildings**

**Hong Kong Island**

	<b>Development Project/Case</b>	<b>Built Heritage to be affected</b>	<b>Background &amp; Current Progress</b>
1.	Adaptive Re-use of the Former Central Police Station Compound (CPS Compound)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The CPS Compound comprises the Central Police Station, Former Central Magistracy and Victoria Prison and has been declared as a monument since 1995. There are a number of Victoria-style buildings within the site.</li> <li>● The CPS Compound is now under the management of the Lands Department.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Further to the condition survey on the historic buildings in early 2007, the Arch SD has carried out essential repairs to the historic buildings within the site. The works have been completed recently.</li> <li>● The Hong Kong Jockey Club has put forward a proposal to revitalize the Compound. Details of the proposal were presented at the meeting on 20 November 2007.</li> <li>● The Hong Kong Institute of Architects is recently using the compound for holding the “2007 Hong Kong Shenzhen Bi-city Biennale of Urbanism/Architecture” Exhibition from 10 January to 15 March 2008.</li> </ul>
2.	Former Police Married Quarters Site at Hollywood Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The former Central School moved from Gough Street to the site at Hollywood Road in 1889. In 1950 the School moved to Causeway Bay. The school building at Hollywood Road was demolished and a police married quarters was constructed at the site in the early 1950s.</li> <li>● The original retaining walls of the school building along Shing Wong Street and Hollywood Road, together with the trees on them and other remaining features of the Central School including the foundations and granite steps are still preserved there.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● AAB was consulted on 27 March 2006 on the preservation of historic relics at the site. Preservation requirements were recommended by AAB and were then forwarded to Planning Department for preparing the Planning Brief (PB)..</li> <li>● At the AAB meeting on 6 March 2007, AMO agreed to carry out an archaeological investigation for a review of the heritage value of the site.</li> <li>● AMO had conducted a site investigation to ascertain the archaeological value of the site. A full report on the findings was presented at the meeting on 20 November 2007.</li> </ul>

<p>3.</p>	<p>Urban Renewal Project at Johnston Road (H16)</p>	<p>Shophouse at 18 Ship Street</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The building was constructed in 1926 and accorded a Grade II status in 2000.</li> </ul> <p>Shophouses at 60 to 66 Johnston Road</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Probably built in the 1930s, the shophouses are four-storey structures characterized by the verandah on each floor of the building over the pavement supported by columns.</li> <li>● Shophouse at 66 Johnston Road, which previously housed the Wo Cheung Pawnshop (和昌大押), is of particular interest.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The Urban Renewal Authority (URA) is redeveloping the site of Johnston Road and Ship Street for residential/ commercial use.</li> <li>● A wholly owned subsidiary of K. Wah International Holdings Ltd., Union Profits Ltd. has been awarded the joint development contract for the Johnston Road project.</li> <li>● The restoration works for the shophouses is about to be completed. They will be re-used for commercial purpose.</li> </ul>
<p>4.</p>	<p>Urban Renewal Project at Lee Tung Street/McGregor Street (H15)</p>	<p>Shophouses at Nos. 186, 188 and 190 Queen's Road East</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Probably built in the mid-1930s, the shophouses are four-storey structures characterized by the verandah on each floor of the building over the pavement supported by columns.</li> <li>● The buildings were accorded a Grade II status in 2000.</li> </ul> <p>Shophouse at No. 6 Amoy Street</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Built in 1948, the shophouse was recorded of historic interest.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● URA will redevelop the site of Lee Tung Street and McGregor Street for commercial and residential use with GIC facilities and public open space.</li> <li>● Shophouses at 186-190 Queen's Road East will be conserved for adaptive re-use.</li> <li>● URA presented the implementation progress of "Wan Chai Master Thinking" and the preparation of the Lee Tung Street Project Master Layout Plan at the AAB meeting on 12 December 2006.</li> <li>● TPB at its meeting of 22 May 2007 approved the MLP submitted by URA with conditions including "the submission of a conservation plan for the buildings to be preserved within the site to the satisfaction of the Director of Leisure and Cultural Services or of the TPB".</li> <li>● As requested by the Wan Chai District Council, AMO has conducted a research and survey of the steps at Amoy Street which are claimed to be of heritage value. The report is attached at <u>Appendix</u> for</li> </ul>

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5.	Heritage Tourism Project at the Former Marine Police Headquarters (FMPHQ) Compound	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The former Marine Police Headquarters, constructed in 1884, comprises a main building, a stable block and signal tower (commonly known as Round House).</li> <li>● The compound was occupied by the Marine Police until 1997, except during the Japanese Occupation (1941-1945) when it was used as a base by the Japanese navy.</li> <li>● The compound together with the buildings was declared a monument in 1994.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The site is being developed into a heritage hotel with food and beverage outlets, and retail facilities under the existing platform of the site. The project is anticipated to be completed in 2008.</li> <li>● Since the award of tender to the Developer in 2003, more than 10 permits under the A&amp;M Ordinance have been issued for undertaking site and building works including piling, site formation, tree work, ground investigation work, installation of hoarding and structural monitoring instruments, demolition of non-historic later additions.</li> <li>● AMO is now processing about 16 permit applications for restoration and structural strengthening works to the historic buildings Compound and monitoring repair and maintenance works to the Headquarters Block.</li> </ul>
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