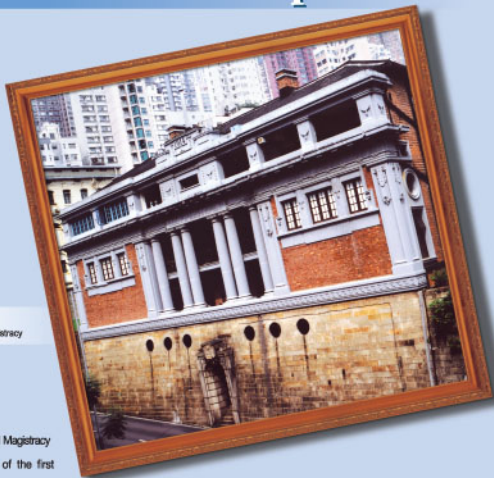


Introduction to the Central Police Station Compound



前中央裁判司署現貌
Recent view of Former Central Magistracy

The Former Central Magistracy was constructed on the site of the first magistracy in 1914. At that time it housed two courts, whose two magistrates served the entire Colony. The building is a fine example of Greek-revival architecture with its front and rear designed to impress the public of the majesty of the law. An important design consideration was for the secure movement of prisoners to and from the Magistracy which was achieved by means of separate corridors and a short underground tunnel. These led either back to the prison, the police station or to the open air, depending on the verdict at the prisoner's trial.

The historic buildings within the Central Police Station, Victoria Prison and Former Central Magistracy compound were declared as monuments under the Antiquities and Monuments Ordinance in 1995.

一九零一年中西警署、裁判司署和域多利監獄的地圖
Site Plan of Central Police Station, Magistracy and Victoria Prison in 1901



一八五二年域多利監獄和裁判司署建築群的地圖
Site Plan showing Victoria Prison and Magistracy buildings in 1852

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