

Implementation of Signature Projects Scheme by the Central & Western District Council

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Background

1. The Chief Executive announced on 16 January 2013 in the Policy Address to enhance district administration by introducing the Signature Projects Scheme (“SPS”). Under the scheme, a one-off allocation of \$100 million will be earmarked for each district to support District Councils (“DCs”) in implementing signature projects.

2. The objective of the SPS is mainly to provide a larger amount of resources to DCs for implementing large-scale and sustainable projects that address district needs. Signature projects may involve works or non-works elements, or a mixture of both, and should bring a visible and lasting impact on the districts. The projects should be commenced, or even accomplished, within the current DC term as far as practicable.

Proposed Projects

3. At its meeting on 8 February 2013, the Working Group on Central & Western District Council Affairs under the Central & Western District Council (“C&W DC”) discussed the implementation of SPS by the DC. After discussion, the Working Group identified the following two potentially viable projects and would like to invite views from residents and organisations of the C&W district to facilitate further discussion by the DC:

	Project	Proposal
1	Beautification and Revitalisation of Western District Harbourfront	As the blueprint of the Central section of the C&W promenade is more or less finalised, some Councillors suggested that part of the waterfront sites adjoining the Western Wholesale Food Market and its four idling piers near Sun Yat Sen Memorial Park should be enhanced and revitalised into open space for public to enjoy, thereby connecting the waterfront area to the Central and Sheung Wan sections of the C&W promenade for the progressive development of a continuous and accessible waterfront promenade. Please refer to the Annex for location.
2	Conversion of Vacant Buildings into Youth Hostels	Some Councillors suggested that youth hostels should be built in the district to promote youth development and to relieve the housing needs of the younger generation to some extent. One of the potential site is the school premises of the Hong Kong Academy at Ka Wai Man Road, Kennedy Town which will soon be vacated.

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4. **We look forward to your opinions on the above proposals. You may share your views with us by completing the enclosed Reply Slip and returning it to the Central & Western District Council Secretariat by mail, fax or e-mail on or before 11 March 2013:**

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REPLY SLIP

(Please reply on or before 11 March 2013)

To: Central & Western District Council Secretariat

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My views on the initial proposals put forward by the Central & Western District Council are as follows (*please use supplementary sheets if necessary*):

	Project	Proposal	My Views (please put a ✓ in the appropriate box)
1	Beautification and Revitalisation of Western District Harbourfront	Part of the waterfront sites adjoining the Western Wholesale Food Market and its four idling piers should be enhanced and revitalized into open space for public enjoyment, thereby connecting the area to the Central and Sheung Wan sections of the C&W promenade.	* Support Not support Other views:
2	Conversion of Vacant Buildings into Youth Hostels	Youth hostels should be built in the district to promote youth development and to relieve the housing needs of the younger generation to some extent. One of the potential site is the school premises of the Hong Kong Academy at Ka Wai Man Road, Kennedy Town which will soon be vacated.	* Support Not support Other views:
3	My other views:		

Personal particulars (Optional)

Name:

Telephone No:

Correspondence address / Fax / E-mail:

Resident of the Central & Western District?

Yes

No

Organisation (if applicable):

Date:

Signature:

Note: *Please note that your personal data provided in this reply slip will be used exclusively for this public consultation. You have a right of access and correction with respect to personal data as provided for under the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance (Cap 486). Your right of access includes the right to obtain a copy of your personal data provided in this form. Enquiries concerning the personal data collected by means of this form, including the making of access and corrections, should be addressed to the Secretariat.*

Proposed Beautification of the Waterfront Sites and Four Idling Piers
of the Western Wholesale Food Market for Public Enjoyment

Four idling piers to be enhanced
and open to the public

Pier No. 5



Part of the road adjoining the
site to be enhanced and open
to the public