

**Central & Western District Council
Progress Report of the West Island Line (WIL) Project**

1. Introduction

This paper provides the latest updates on the West Island Line project and relevant re-provisioning works.

2. Background

The construction of WIL began in July 2009. The MTR Island Line service was extended to Western District on 28 December 2014, serving passengers at the HKU and Kennedy Town stations. Sai Ying Pun Station was then opened on 29 March 2015.

3. Project Progress

3.1 Ki Ling Lane Entrance at Sai Ying Pun Station

The architectural builder works and finishes, building services, electrical and mechanical works as well as escalator installation for the Ki Ling Lane entrance and the passenger adit connecting to the First Street and Second Street entrances are completed. The relevant statutory inspection process is underway. The Ki Ling Lane entrance is expected to open in March 2016.

As the lift shaft is required for site access for delivery of construction materials, the lift installation can only be carried out until most of the works at the adit have been completed. It is expected that the passenger lift at the Ki Ling Lane entrance will commence service in the second quarter of 2016.

3.2 Re-provisioning of Kennedy Town Swimming Pool (Phase II)

Re-provisioning of Kennedy Town Swimming Pool (Phase II) at Shing Sai Road commenced in September 2014. Construction works are

underway. The re-provisioning works are expected to complete in the fourth quarter of 2016 before the facilities are handed over to the relevant government department for management.

3.3 Re-provisioned Recreational Facilities Arrangement

To facilitate the construction of WIL, some recreational areas in Western District are temporarily occupied as work sites. As the three stations have been opened for passenger service, some of the recreational facilities, including Forbes Street Temporary Playground, Smithfield Sitting-out Area, Kennedy Town Playground, a portion of Clarence Terrace Children's Playground and Hill Road Garden, Mui Fong Street Children's Playground, Hill Road Rest Garden, and Sai Woo Lane Playground, have been handed over to the relevant government departments and opened for public use.

The Corporation is reinstating other recreational facilities including King George V Memorial Park and Centre Street Market Sitting-out Area which will be handed over to the relevant government departments upon completion. The re-provisioning works of the Ki Ling Lane Children's Playground and Centre Street Sitting-out Area will commence following the completion of the Ki Ling Lane entrance of Sai Ying Pun Station.

Please refer to Appendix I for details.

4. Conclusion

The Corporation would like to express its gratitude to the Central & Western District Council and the community for their strong support and invaluable opinions to the WIL project over the years.

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West Island Line Re-provisioned Recreational Facilities Arrangement

Re-provisioned recreational facilities (Handed over)	Hand-over date
Portion of Hill Road Garden	Opened in September 2010
Portion of Clarence Terrace Children's Playground	Handed over in January 2014
Kennedy Town Playground	Opened in March 2014
Smithfield Sitting-out Area (Former Kennedy Town Swimming Pool)	Opened in December 2014
Forbes Street Temporary Playground	
Mui Fong Street Children's Playground	Handed over in August 2015
Hill Road Rest Garden	Handed over in October 2015
Sai Woo Lane Playground	Handed over in November 2015
Re-provisioned recreational facilities	Tentative hand-over date to the relevant government departments
King George V Memorial Park, HK	Q1 2016
Centre Street Market Sitting-out Area	Q2 2016
Ki Ling Lane Children's Playground	
Centre Street Sitting-out Area	*Please refer to the note

**Note: The Ki Ling Lane entrance of Sai Ying Pun Station is targeted to open in the first quarter of 2016. Centre Street Sitting-out Area will be handed over to the relevant government departments accordingly.*