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By post

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Dear Mr WONG,

## Subcommittee on West Kowloon Cultural District Development

## Invitation of views on the way forward for the West Kowloon Cultural District development

As you may be aware, the Administration announced on 21 February 2006 that the additional parameters and conditions under the modified approach for the West Kowloon Cultural District (WKCD) development could not secure a positive response from the market. Due to a significant gap between public demands and market reality, the Administration decided not to pursue the WKCD under the Invitation for Proposals process.

To take forward the WKCD project, the Administration has set up a Consultative Committee, supported by three Advisory Groups, to re-examine with a view to confirming the need for the core arts and cultural facilities in WKCD. The relevant details were announced on 6 April 2006. On the same day, the Subcommittee discussed with the Administration the new direction and approaches for taking forward the WKCD development project.

In view of the latest developments, the Subcommittee has decided that it would continue to study and follow up issues relating to the development of WKCD. At this juncture, the Subcommittee considers it opportune to seek written views from stakeholders and interested parties as to how the WKCD development project should be taken forward.

In this connection, I attach for your reference the following documents that are relevant to the latest developments of the WKCD development project –

- (a) the Administration's press release on the speech of the Chief Secretary for Administration on 21 February 2006 announcing the decision not to pursue the Invitation for Proposals process (**Appendix I**);
- (b) the Government's press release on 6 April 2006 on the appointments to the Consultative Committee and its three Advisory Groups on the Core Arts and Cultural Facilities of the WKCD (Appendix II);
- (c) paper entitled "The Administration's Response to Members' Requests Relating to the West Kowloon Cultural District Development" discussed at the meeting of the Subcommittee on 6 April 2006 (Appendix III); and
- (d) a summary of the points raised for discussion and clarification at the Subcommittee's meeting on 6 April 2006 (Appendix IV).

More detailed information on the WKCD development project can be retrieved from the following websites –

Government's website on WKCD

http://www.hplb.gov.hk/wkcd/eng/main.htm

Legislative Council's webpage on this Subcommittee

http://www.legco.gov.hk/yr04-05/english/hc/sub\_com/hs02/general/hs02.htm

To facilitate compilation of views, we have provided in **Appendix V** a list of issues which you may address in your written response. We would appreciate if your views could reach us by **25 May 2006**. Please provide a softcopy of your written response to the following email address –

## cshiu@legco.gov.hk

Your response will be made available to the media and the public and uploaded onto the website of the Legislative Council unless advised otherwise. Please also note that your submissions are not covered by the protection and immunity provided under the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382).

Should you require further information, please feel free to contact the undersigned or Mr Anthony CHU at 2869 9212.

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Yours sincerely,

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Clerk to Subcommittee

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cc Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC (Chairman) (w/o encl.)