# **Appendix C**

Minutes of Briefing Session to Tung Chung Rural Committee

## Planning and Engineering Study on the Tung Chung New Town Extension Stage 1 Public Engagement Consultation with the Tung Chung Rural Committee

Date:	12 <sup>th</sup> June 2012
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**Time:** 3:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Meeting point: Tung Chung Rural Committee, 1 Sheung Ling Pei Village, Tung Chung, Lantau Island

#### Attendees:

- 1. Mr. Chueng Kwok Kwong Chairman, Tung Chung Rural Committee (TCRC)
- 2. Mr. Law Wai Hung Village Representative of Tung Chung
- 3. Mr. Albert Cheng Planning Consultant of Tung Chung Rural Committee
- 4. Mr. CK Lam Senior Engineer, CEDD
- 5. Mr. Kenneth Wong Engineer, CEDD
- 6. Ms. Isabella To Senior Manager, CEDD
- 7. Mrs. Margaret WF Lam Senior Town Planner, PlanD
- 8. Ms. Teresa Yeung –Director, Arup
- 9. Mr. Henry Shiu Associate, Arup
- 10. Ms. Vicky So Public Relations Consultant, Executive Counsel Limited
- 11. Ms. Kenix Lee Public Relations Consultant, Executive Counsel Limited

The Stage 1 Public Engagement (PE1) of the study was officially launched on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2012. To keep Tung Chung residents informed about this study, the consultant, Arup presented the study progress and details of PE1 to the TCRC. The representatives from the TCRC also expressed their views and submitted their proposal regarding the Study. Representatives from CEDD and PlanD acknowledged the receipt of TCRC's proposal.

The views from the TCRC are summarised as below:

#### **Key Issues Discussed:**

# 1. Direction of Future Development of Tung Chung

- The TCRC agreed that there is a need and potential for development in Tung Chung and expressed villagers' support on developing infrastructure in the new town.
- Improvement of villagers' life was their top concern and consideration in development.
- They agreed that the development in Tung Chung should be comprehensive to benefit both villagers and residents in Tung Chung and Hong Kong as a whole.
- Coordination of different parts of development in Tung Chung is needed.
- The segregation between Tung Chung West and Tung Chung centre (East) is one of the issues that need to be resolved.

#### 2. Improvement of Transportation and Connectivity in the Villages

- The connection between the villages and other parts of Tung Chung and Lantau, was very limited, bringing great inconveniences to villagers.
- The TCRC hoped that the connectivity and transport facilities (width of road etc.) could be improved to allow the access of ambulances and fire engines and highlighted Shek Lau Po Village as priority in development.
- They also hoped that nearby areas in Lantau could be developed so that the transportation and connectivity could be improved as well.

## 3. Tung Chung River

- The TCRC agreed the importance of preserving Tung Chung River in development as it is one of the recreational sources for the villagers and Tung Chung residents.
- They agreed to try keeping the river at its natural stage. However, there was a need of dredging and channelising the river since the area is prone to floods, especially in rainy seasons. This would threaten the health and property of villagers, and they suggested cleaning the river regularly.

## 4. Land Development in the Villages

- The TCRC expressed their wish of keeping the village boundaries, but agreed to develop the abandoned land in the villages and revise its land use, and that the feasibility of using the land as temple or multi-purpose non-residential land use could be explored.
- They expressed the difficulties of relocating villages in case of land acquisition. It would difficult to find a suitable site for relocation and a considerable amount of population would be affected.

# 5. Housing supply

• The TCRC suggested more housing types in Tung Chung, and suggested developing medium- to low-density housing near the rural villages.

#### 6. Economic and tourism development

- TCRC suggested that the development of Tung Chung should make good use of the opportunities of the entire Lantau Island.
- They proposed to develop organic farms and other tourist attractions such as temples, fisherman's wharf and ecotourism trails.
- They also suggested creating a landmark in Tung Chung.
- They were concerned about the economic development within the community, and opined that more opportunities should be given to small businesses.