Graded Historic Building/Proposed Graded Historic Building

Site Code: G301	Site Name:	Ta K	wu Ling Police Station
Full Address: At the road junction Road and Lin Ma Hang Road	of Ping Che		Figure No.: Figure 12.2.4
Orientation: Front Gate facing southeast	Category:	Built	Structure (Government Building)
Age of Structure: 1905	Grading stat	tus: (Grade 3 (Confirmed on 22 Jan 2010)

Surrounding Environment: The police station is located at the junction of Ping Che Road and Lin Ma Hang Road and is opposite to the Ta Kwu Ling Fire Station.

Historical Appraisal: The Police Station was first set up in 1905 to maintain law and order in the northern frontier of Hong Kong. The original police station was a fortified blockhouse was established in 1905 and policemen of Indian descent were dispatched there to prevent Chinese bandits from entering Hong Kong. The blockhouse was also connected with the police stations in Sha Tau Kok and Sheung Shui by telephone. The present police station building was constructed in 1937 as a two-storey building with an additional floor added in the 1950s. During the period of Japanese Occupation (1941-1945), most of the police stations in Hong Kong were abandoned or occupied by the Japanese. It is believed that Ta Kwu Ling Police Station was no exception. In the post-World War II period, the police station played a significant role in tackling the problem of illegal immigration across the border.

Associated historical/cultural events or individuals: Nil

Inscriptions: Nil

Architectural Appraisal: The police station is built to a T-shaped plan situated in a large compound opposite the Fire Station in Ta Kwu Ling Village. The architectural style of the buildings is International Modern which was a popular style in the 1930s when it was built. Characteristic features of this style are the long rectangular shape, white walls, regularly spaced windows, projecting horizontal typhoon canopies running the length of the facades, and the absence of any superfluous ornamentation or decoration. The colour scheme is white and dark blue which are the distinctive livery colours chosen for all police stations some years ago by local architect Tao Ho (河堤) who was commissioned to produce a colour scheme that would give a corporate identity. A distinctive feature on the roof is the round watch tower which is only found on police stations and is something of a trademark. The interior of the building is simple and functional as befits police operational requirements.

Interior: Not accessible

Existing Condition: Excellent

Past and Present Uses: Government use as a police station

Notes on any Modifications: Addition of floor and alterations had been carried out to the building in the 1950s.

Site Code: G301 Site Name: Ta Kwu Ling Police Station



General View of Front Gate



Side View of the Police Station

Built Structures

Site Code: BS12	Site Name: N	o. 14 Kan Tau Wai
Full Address: No. 14 Kan Tau Wa	i	Figure No.: Figure 12.2.4
Orientation: West	Category: Bui	lt Structure (Residential House)

Age of Structure: About 200 years and modified in middle 20th century

Surrounding Environment: The residential house was located at the entrance of the Kan Tau Wai village. There is a ruin (with its roof collapsed) immediately at south of the house.

Historical Appraisal:

Kan Tau Wai village was listed in the 1819 edition of the Xi'an Gazetteer and marked in the 1899 Map of Sun-On-District with a history of about 200 years. It is a mixed clans village with residents surnamed Law, Wong, Leung and chan.

Associated historical/cultural events or individuals: Nil

Inscriptions: Nil

Architectural Appraisal:

The building was constructed with rammed earth and grey bricks. An entrance door is located in the middle of the façade of each bay. Window openings are found on the side and rear walls. No decorative features were identified. A ruin is located next to the building.

Existing Condition: Poor

Past and Present Uses: Residential houses

Notes on any Modifications: Additions with modern material such as entrance gate.



Front View (From Left)

Site Code: BS12 Site Name: No. 14 Kan Tau Wai



Front View of the adjacent ruin (From Right)



Side View of the ruin and No. 14 Kan Tau Wai



Back View of No. 14 Kan Tau Wai

Site Code: BS13	Site Name: Nos. 1 and 2 Kan Tau Wai
Full Address: Nos. 1 and 2 Kan Ta	u Wai Figure No.: Figure 12.2.4
Orientation: Southwest	Category: Built Structure (Residential House)

Age of Structure: About 200 years

Surrounding Environment: The residential houses are located at the entrance of the Kan Tau Wai village and are surrounded by other residential houses of the village.

Historical Appraisal:

Kan Tau Wai village was listed in the 1819 edition of the Xi'an Gazetteer and marked in the 1899 Map of Sun-On-District with a history of about 200 years. It is a mixed clans village with residents surnamed Law, Wong, Leung and chan. These built structures are the few remaining historic residential houses in the village.

Associated historical/cultural events or individuals: Nil

Inscriptions: Nil

Architectural Appraisal:

It is one-storey residential houses constructed with shared party walls, two bays, pitched tile roof and are rectangular in layout.

Existing Condition: Fair

Past and Present Uses: Residential

Notes on any Modifications: New window openings and additions of utilities and alteration with modern materials.



General Front and Side View of Nos. 1 and 2 Kan Tau Wai

Site Code: BS14	Site Name:	No. 4A Kan Tau Wai
Full Address: No. 4A Kan Tau Wai		Figure No.: Figure 12.2.4
Orientation: Southwest	Category:	Built Structure (Residential House)

Age of Structure: About 200 years

Surrounding Environment: The residential house is located inside the Kan Tau Wai village between Nos. 3 and 4 Kan Tau Wai.

Historical Appraisal:

Kan Tau Wai village was listed in the 1819 edition of the Xi'an Gazetteer and marked in the 1899 Map of Sun-On-District with a history of about 200 years. It is a mixed clans village with residents surnamed Law, Wong, Leung and chan. It is one of the few remaining historic residential houses in the village.

Associated historical/cultural events or individuals: Nil

Inscriptions: Nil

Architectural Appraisal:

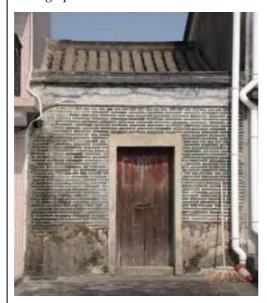
The one-storey rectangular village house has a pitched tile roof and wooden front doors. It was constructed of grey bricks.

Existing Condition: Good

Past and Present Uses: Residential House

Notes on any Modifications: Nil

Photographic Records:





Front View Back View

Site Code: BS15	Site Name: Fuk Tak Temple
Full Address: Nos. 30 and 30C Kan Tau Wai Figure No.: Figure 12.2.4	
Orientation: Southwest	Category: Built Structure (Temple)

Age of Structure: About 200 years and renovation in the late 20th century.

Surrounding Environment: The temple is located at the north of the Kan Tau Wai village and other village houses are located nearby the temple.

Historical Appraisal:

Kan Tau Wai village was listed in the 1819 edition of the Xi'an Gazetteer and marked in the 1899 Map of Sun-On-District with a history of about 200 years. It is a mixed clans village with residents surnamed Law, Wong, Leung and chan. This temple was probably constructed when the village established.

Associated historical/cultural events or individuals: Nil

Inscriptions: Nil

Architectural Appraisal:

It is a two halls building with open courtyard in between and pitched roof constructed with stone and grey bricks. A one hall building is built to next to the temple probably used as storage house. The Fuk Tak statue is placed in the rear hall.

Existing Condition: Good

Past and Present Uses: temple

Notes on any Modifications: Surfaced with cement and painted walls.



General Front View



Side View

Site Code: BS15 Site Name: Fuk Tak Temple



Back View



Altar



Open courtyard between the halls.

Site Code: BS16	Site Name: Nos. 27	A, 30A and 30B Kan Tau Wai
Full Address: Nos. 27A, 30A and 30B Kan Tau Wai Figure		Figure No.: Figure 12.2.4
Orientation: Southwest Category: Built Structure (Residential House)		ucture (Residential House)

Age of Structure: About 200 years.

Surrounding Environment: The three residential houses are located at the north of the Kan Tau Wai village.

Historical Appraisal:

Kan Tau Wai village was listed in the 1819 edition of the Xi'an Gazetteer and marked in the 1899 Map of Sun-On-District with a history of about 200 years. It is a mixed clans village with residents surnamed Law, Wong, Leung and chan. These structures are the few remaining historic residential houses in the village.

Associated historical/cultural events or individuals: Nil

Inscriptions: Nil

Architectural Appraisal:

This built structure comprises three village houses constructed with shared party wall and pitched tile roof. It was built with stone, grey bricks and rammed earth or mud bricks.

Existing Condition: Fair

es: Residential

Past and Present Uses:

Notes on any Modifications: Additions of utilities



General Front View



Front and Side View of No. 27A Kan Tau Wai



General Back View

Site Code: BS17	Site Name: Nos. 2	23B and 23C Kan Tau Wai
Full Address: Nos. 23B and 23C Kan Tau Wai		Figure No.: Figure 12.2.4
Orientation: Southwest Category: Built Str		tructure (Residential House)

Age of Structure: About 200 years and likely modified in the early to middle 20th century

Surrounding Environment: The two residential houses are located in the middle of the Kan Tau Wai village and are surrounded by other more modern residential houses of the village.

Historical Appraisal:

Kan Tau Wai village was listed in the 1819 edition of the Xi'an Gazetteer and marked in the 1899 Map of Sun-On-District with a history of about 200 years. It is a mixed clans village with residents surnamed Law, Wong, Leung and chan. These residential houses are the few remaining historic village houses in the village.

Associated historical/cultural events or individuals: Nil

Inscriptions: Nil

Architectural Appraisal:

These are two buildings with one-storey, pitched tile roof and a rectangular layout

Existing Condition: Fair

Past and Present Uses: Residential

Notes on any Modifications: Window openings with modern material and No. 23B has been heavily modified to a great extent.



General Front View of Nos. 23B and 23C Kan Tau Wai

Site Code: BS17 Site Name: Nos. 23B and 23C Kan Tau Wai



Front View of No. 23B Kan Tau Wai



Front View of No. 23C Kan Tau Wai

Site Code: BS18	Site Name: Nos. 15-17 Kan Tau Wai
Full Address: Nos. 15-17 Kan Tau	Wai Figure No.: Figure 12.2.4
Orientation: Southwest	Category: Built Structure (Residential House)

Age of Structure: About 200 years

Surrounding Environment: The three residential houses are located in the middle of the Kan Tau Wai village and are surrounded by other residential houses of the village.

Historical Appraisal:

Kan Tau Wai village was listed in the 1819 edition of the Xi'an Gazetteer and marked in the 1899 Map of Sun-On-District with a history of about 200 years. It is a mixed clans village with residents surnamed Law, Wong, Leung and chan. These buildings are the few remaining historic village houses in the village.

Associated historical/cultural events or individuals: Nil

Inscriptions: Nil

Architectural Appraisal:

The three buildings were constructed with grey and mud bricks and lime plastered constructed with shared party walls. An entrance door is located in the middle of each of the bays. Window openings are found above the entrance door and on the north western side wall and rear wall. No decorative features were identified.

Existing Condition: Fair

Past and Present Uses: Residential House

Notes on any Modifications: Various additions and alterations of modern utilities



General Front View of Nos. 15, 16 and 17 (From Left to Right)

Site Name: Nos. 15-17 Kan Tau Wai



Site Code: BS18



Side View



Interior View

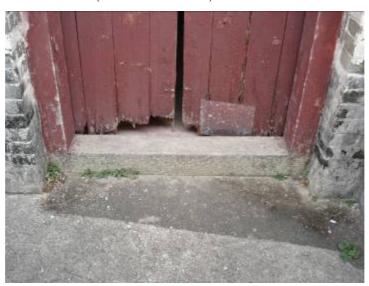


Window opening.

Site Code: BS18 Site Name: Nos. 15-17 Kan Tau Wai



Front View (Doors and Windows) of No. 16 Kan Tau Wai



Door step of No. 16 Kan Tau Wai

Site Code: BS19	Site Name: Nos. 6A, 6,	7, 8 and 8A Kan Tau Wai
Full Address: Nos. 6A, 6, 7, 8 and 8A Kan Tau Wai Figure No.: Figure 12.2.4		
Orientation: Southwest Category: Built Structure (Residential House)		

Age of Structure: About 200 years

Surrounding Environment: The row of village houses are located inside the Kan Tau Wai village and are surrounded by other residential houses of the village.

Historical Appraisal:

Kan Tau Wai village was listed in the 1819 edition of the Xi'an Gazetteer and marked in the 1899 Map of Sun-On-District with a history of about 200 years. It is a mixed clans village with residents surnamed Law, Wong, Leung and chan. This row of village houses are the few remaining historic buildings of the Kan Tau Wai village.

Associated historical/cultural events or individuals: Nil

Inscriptions: Nil

Architectural Appraisal:

These five buildings are constructed with shared gable walls. They were constructed with grey bricks and rammed earth. An entrance door is located in the middle of each façade. Some of these buildings were renovated to add new window openings next to the entrance doors. Some of the wall friezes are decorated with plaster features.

Existing Condition: Fair to poor

Past and Present Uses: Residential Houses

Notes on any Modifications: Nil

Photographic Records:



General Front View of Nos. 6A, 6, 7, 8 and 8A Kan Tau Wai (from left to right)

Site Name: Nos. 6A, 6, 7, 8 and 8A Kan Tau Wai



Front View of No. 6A Kan Tau Wai



Front View of No. 6 Kan Tau Wai



Front View of No. 7 Kan Tau Wai



Front View of No. 8 Kan Tau Wai



Front View of No. 8A Kan Tau Wai

Site Code: BS20	Site Name: No	s. 10 and 10A Kan Tau Wai
Full Address: Nos. 10 and 10A Kan Tau Wai		Figure No.: Figure 12.2.4
Orientation: Southwest Category: Built S		t Structure (Residential House)

Age of Structure: About 200 years and renovated in early to middle 20th century

Surrounding Environment: The two residential houses are located inside the Kan Tau Wai village and are surrounded by other residential houses of the village.

Historical Appraisal:

Kan Tau Wai village was listed in the 1819 edition of the Xi'an Gazetteer and marked in the 1899 Map of Sun-On-District with a history of about 200 years. It is a mixed clans village with residents surnamed Law, Wong, Leung and chan. These houses are the few remaining historic buildings of the Kan Tau Wai village.

Associated historical/cultural events or individuals: Nil

Inscriptions: Nil

Architectural Appraisal:

These two buildings were constructed with shared gable walls. They were constructed with grey bricks and rammed earth. An entrance door is located in the middle of each façade. They have been renovated to add new window openings next to the entrance doors.

Existing Condition: Fair

Past and Present Uses: Residential

Notes on any Modifications: Heavily modified with modern materials



General Front View of Nos. 10A (left) and 10 (right)

Site Code: BS21	Site Name:	No. 18 Kan Tau Wai
Full Address: No. 18 Kan Tau Wai		Figure No.: Figure 12.2.4
Orientation: Southwest	Category:	Built Structure (Residential House)

Age of Structure: Early 20th century

Surrounding Environment: The residential house is located inside Kan Tau Wai village and is surrounded by other residential houses of the village.

Historical Appraisal:

Kan Tau Wai village was listed in the 1819 edition of the Xi'an Gazetteer and marked in the 1899 Map of Sun-On-District with a history of about 200 years. It is a mixed clans village with residents surnamed Law, Wong, Leung and chan. This building is one of the few remaining historic residential houses in the Kan Tau Wai village.

Associated historical/cultural events or individuals: Nil

Inscriptions: Nil

Architectural Appraisal:

It was a one hall pitched roof building with two bays constructed with grey bricks and rammed earth. An entrance door is located in the middle of the southeast bay. Window openings are found above the entrance door, on the façade of the northwest bay and on the northwest wall.

Existing Condition: Fair to good

Past and Present Uses: Residential

Notes on any Modifications: Additions and alterations of modern utilities and window openings





General Front Views

Site Code: BS21 Site Name: No. 18 Kan Tau Wai



Another angle of front view



Front door and tile roof above



Window

Grave

Site Code: GR03 Site Name: Ng Grave

Full Address: Beside Lin Ma Hang Road near the Figure No.: Figure 12.2.5

entrance of Kaw Liu Village

Orientation: North Category: Grave

Age of Structure: Renovated in the fifth year of the Republic of China (1916)

Surrounding Environment: This grave is located adjacent to Lin Ma Hang Road and close to Kaw Liu Village. The grave is connected with Lin Ma Hang Road by a small footpath at north of the grave.

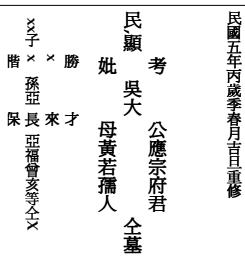
Historical Appraisal:

According to headstone inscription, the deceased are a couple of the Ng clan and the grave was renovated in in the fifth year of the Republic of China (1916).

Associated historical/cultural events or individuals: Nil

Inscriptions:





Architectural Appraisal: Arm-chair shaped grave surfaced with cement. The size of the grave is approximately 2.5m (L) $\times 2m$ (W) $\times 2m$ (H).

Existing Condition: Good

Past and Present Uses: Grave

Notes on any Modifications: Nil

Site Code: GR03 Site Name: Ng Grave



General Setting of the Grave



Front View

Site Code: GR04	Site Name:	Cheung Grave
Full Address: At the foothill in Ta Kwu Ling		Figure No.: Figure 12.2.6
Orientation: South	Category:	Grave

Age of Structure: Renovated in the seventh year of Guangxu (1881)

Surrounding Environment: The Cheung grave is located at the foothill in Ta Kwu Ling. Ping Yuen River is nearby the grave.

Historical Appraisal:

According to the headstone inscription, the deceased is a couple from the 14th generation of the Cheung clan and the grave was renovated in the seventh year of Guangxu (1881). The Mr Cheung had obtained the *gong sheng* (貢生) rank from the Qing dynasty imperial examination.

Associated historical/cultural events or individuals: Nil

Inscriptions:



定 仁堂公之長子也原配歐氏繼室鄧氏今公 ※ 鄧氏全葬土名于東凹坐艮向神無且未之 × 神四世顯 一四世顯 此淑德孺人鄧氏 星 富 奉祀 海孫炳 桂等立 金 求 金 求

Architectural Appraisal:

This Cheung grave is armchair-shaped in semi-circular layout. Its size is approximately 3m (L) x2m (W) x2m (H) and surfaced with cement.

Existing Condition: Good

Past and Present Uses: Grave

Notes on any Modifications: Renovated in 1881.

Site Code: GR04 Site Name: Cheung Grave



General Setting of the Grave



Front View

Site Code: GR05	Site Name:	Fu Grave
Full Address: Beside a track near Lin Ma Hang Road		Figure No.: Figure 12.2.3

Orientation: South Category: Grave

Age of Structure: Constructed in 1927 and renovated in 1964

Surrounding Environment: It is situated beside a track near Lin Ma Hang Road.

Historical Appraisal:

According to the inscriptions on the headstone, this grave with the surname of Fu was constructed in 1927 and renovated in 1964. the deceased are a couple from the 6^{th} generation of the clan.

Associated historical/cultural events or individuals: Nil

Inscriptions:



漢族六世顯振發博太母二位之墓 公XX 林公之 X 子 XXXX人XX 公

Architectural Appraisal:

This grave is armchair-shaped with semi-circular layout

Existing Condition: Good

Past and Present Uses: Grave

Notes on any Modifications: Fenced off with metal gate

Site Code: GR05 Site Name: Fu Grave



General Setting of the Grave



Front View

Site Code: GR06	Site Name:	Yiu Grave
Full Address: Near Chuk Yuen Village		Figure No.: Figure 12.2.3
Orientation: Northeast	Category:	Grave

Age of Structure: Construction year unknown; Renovate in 1972.

Surrounding Environment: This grave is situated near Lin Ma Hang Road and beside a track.. It is surrounded by vegetation and agricultural lands.

Historical Appraisal:

According to the inscriptions on the headstone, this grave with the surname of Yu was renovated in 1972. The name of the deceased is Yiu Kam Wang (姚錦宏).

Associated historical/cultural events or individuals: Nil

Inscriptions:



民顯考姚太公諱錦安 土名X子望X台地師XXXX

皇有丙子 X 孫 XX XX 祀男 XX XX 灶X

Architectural Appraisal:

This is an armchair-shaped grave constructed with stone and marble.

Existing Condition: Fair

Site Code: GR06 Site Name: Yiu Grave

Past and Present Uses: Grave



Front View



Back View

Cultural/Historical Landscape Features

Site Code: LF02	Site Name: Shrine			
Full Address: North of Kan Tau Wai village		Figure No.: Figure 12.2.4		
Orientation: Southwest	Category: Cultural/Historical Landscape Features (Shrine)			
Age of Structure: Built in 1906 or 1966 (丙午年)				

Surrounding Environment: This earth shrine is located at the north of Kan Tau Wai village

Historical Appraisal:

The village was listed in the 1819 and 1899 Records and has some 200 years of history. It is a mixed clans village with residents surnamed Law, Wong, Leung and Chan. Some of their ancestors were of Hakka origin having emigrated from the Sho Law Pun (鎖羅盤) area in Guangdong province. In the 1819 Record, Kan Tau Wai in Chinese was written as "澗頭圍" meaning a walled village by the source of a stream. However, it is not known why the name was changed to "簡頭圍" in Chinese in later records.

According to the inscription, the shrine was either constructed in 1906 or 1966. The Hung Shing God and Earth God are being served.

Associated historical/cultural events or individuals: Nil

Inscriptions:



Site Code: LF02 Site Name: Shrine

Architectural Appraisal:

This earth shrine is square in layout with arm-chair shape and was constructed of grey bricks.

Existing Condition: Good

Past and Present Uses: Shrine

Notes on any Modifications: Nil



General Setting of the Shrine



Front View

Site Code: LF02 Site Name: Shrine



Front and Side View



Back and Side Views