Civil Engineering and Development Department

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Ordinance, Cap.499
Application for Approval of EIA Report

Project Title: Police Facilities in Kong Nga Po
(Application No. EIA-239/2016)

I refer to your above application received on 30 May 2016 for approval of an EIA report under Section 6(2) of the EIA Ordinance and our previous letter of 28 July 2016 advising you to exhibit the EIA report for public inspection in accordance with Section 6(4) of the EIA Ordinance.

Having considered the public comments received during the public inspection period and the comments from the Advisory Council on the Environment (ACE) given to us on 5 October 2016, I now advise you under Section 8(3) of the EIA Ordinance that the above EIA report as exhibited under Section 7(1) of the EIA Ordinance is approved subject to the conditions at Annex 1 which shall be imposed, together with other relevant requirements, as conditions in the Environmental Permit, if granted, for carrying out the Project. In addition, recommendations from the ACE are contained in Annex 2 for your onward action.

It should be noted that the approval of the EIA report shall not relieve you of the responsibility to comply with other legislation or Government requirements for implementing the Project.

Under Section 15 of the EIA Ordinance, the approved EIA report (Register No.: AEIAR - 201/2016) will be placed on the EIA Ordinance Register. The approved EIA report and the conditions of approval will also be placed on the EIA Ordinance website (http://www.epd.gov.hk/eia/).
Should you have any queries concerning the above, please contact my colleague Mr. Steve Li at 2835 1142.

Yours sincerely,

(C.F. WONG)
Principal Environmental Protection Officer for Director of Environmental Protection

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Annex 1

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Conditions of Approval under Section 8(3) of the EIA Ordinance

(1) The project proponent shall minimize ecological disturbances in the road improvement works along Kong Nga Po Road, with a view to preserving individuals of *Keteleeria fortunei* (油杉) and other species of conservation interest. To this end, use of passing bays or traffic control measures at suitable locations in lieu of road widening shall be explored and adopted where appropriate. The revised layout plan of Kong Nga Po Road shall be submitted to the Director of Environmental Protection (DEP) for approval before commencement of the construction works.

(2) The project proponent shall minimize impact on butterfly species of conservation interest. The re-establishment of the new grassland areas in the Project site shall be enhanced, through planting of appropriate plant species which are the larval food plants of butterfly species of conservation interest such as Small Three-Ring, in order to benefit these species.

(3) The project proponent shall use permeable pavings to minimize surface runoff and to retain stormwater for landscaping and irrigation in the Project site as far as practicable. A layout plan showing the area and details of permeable pavings shall be submitted to the DEP for approval before commencement of the construction works.

(4) The project proponent shall conduct a baseline survey for Golden-headed Cisticola covering the remote grasslands in the ecological assessment area, i.e. within a distance of 500 metres from the boundary of the Project site. At least one month before start of site clearance, a report on the survey results, and appropriate measures to reduce the impacts to be adopted if necessary, shall be submitted to the DEP for approval.

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Recommendations from the Advisory Council on the Environment for Carrying Out the Project

(1) The project proponent should review the design of the retaining walls so as to reduce the extent of excavation and amount of inert construction and demolition materials generated and exported from the site formation.

(2) The project proponent should enhance the ecological connectivity between the Northern and Southern areas of the Project site by adopting a softer and greener design for the proposed boundary wall.

(3) The project proponent should enhance the noise reduction effect by considering using noise absorbent lining on the surrounding walls.

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