Agreement No. CE 1/2021 (HY)

Improvement to So Kwun Po Interchange

- Investigation, Design and Construction

Notes of Briefing Session with Kardoorie Farm & Botanic Garden (KFBG) and Hong Kong Bird Watching Society (HKBWS)

Date: 16 June 2023 (Friday)

Time: 2:00 pm

Venue: Video Conference

Present: Hong Kong Bird Watching Society ("HKBWS")

Ms. WONG Suet Mei Conservation Officer

Kardoorie Farm & Botanic Garden ("KFBG")

Mr. Tony NIP Senior Ecologist

North Development Office, CEDD ("CEDD")

Mr. HO Chun Wai, Kelvin E/40 (N)

WSP (Asia) Limited ("WSP")

Mr. LAI Hei Ming, Herman Project Team Leader
Mr. LUI Leung Yau, Freddy Project Coordinator

Mr. Vincent LAI

Mr. Ryan HO

Environmental Consultant (Ecosystem)

Mr. Klinsmann CHEUNG

Environmental Consultant (Ecosystem)

Mr. Oscar SO

Environmental Consultant (Ecosystem)

No. Items Action by

1. Introduction

1.1 This briefing session was held to report the latest findings on the interface Noted on the proposed construction works adjacent to the North District Park ("NDP") Egretry.

1.2 WSP introduced the current status and programme for the Project of Noted improvement to So Kwun Po Interchange (SKPI).

2. Key Findings of the Study in Ecology

2.1 WSP presented the locations and survey findings of egretry and day roost of North District Park. Four flight paths were identified in the survey

findings. Insignificant number of the fight-line would be fragmented, and the potential impact was considered minor.

2.2 WSP reported proposed mitigation measure by adoption of non-percussive piling method within 100m distance of the NDP Egretry during breeding season disturbance in construction phase and regular monitoring of the ardeid day roosting and breeding activities in construction and operational phase.

Noted

2.3 HKBWS advised their concerns that percussive piling method during non-breeding season would also cause certain degree of impacts to the wildlife in the NDP.

WSP

2.4 KFBG requested the adoption of non-percussive piling method during all year around during breeding and non-breeding periods to minimize the disturbance to the ardeid day roosting and breeding activities.

WSP

2.5 WSP reported that the extended period of non-percussive piling method might lengthen the construction programme.

WSP

[Post meeting notes: A WSP's email correspondence dated 20 June 2023 was sent to HKBWS and KFBG for adoption of non-percussive piling method within the 100m boundary measured from the NDP Egretry for all year around upon reviewal of the construction methodologies and programme.]

2.6 WSP reported that bird friendly design would be adopted and the potential bird collision considered to be low.

Noted

2.7 WSP reported that the potential impact for receiving potential surface runoff at Shek Sheung River located at the southern part of the site during construction phase were minor.

Noted

3. Any Other Business

3.1 The meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.

Noted

Enclosure:

Annex A - WSP's Presentation Slides

Annex B - WSP's email correspondence dated 20.06.2023

Annex B

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Garden (KFBG) and Hong Kong Bird Watching Society (HKBWS) for So Kwun Po

Interchange

Dear Ms. WONG (HKBWS) and Mr. NIP (KFBG),

Thanks for participating in the briefing session amongst CEDD, WSP, HKBWS and KFBG held on last Friday.

It was understood that the prime concerns on adoption of percussive piling method during non-breeding season would cause certain degree of impacts to the North District Park Egretry.

Upon our further review of the construction methodologies and programme, the restriction of percussive piling method within the 100m boundary measured from the North District Park Egretry for all year around, including breeding and non-breeding season, would be imposed. Only non-percussive piling methods for construction would be allowed within the concerned boundary. In addition to the above requirement, noise mitigation measures and regular monitorings of noise levels and ardeid day roosting and breeding activities, at least monthly, would be provided during the course of construction.

With the above conditions to be imposed onto the tender document for the contractor to comply accordingly, it is envisaged that the disturbance to the ardeids would be minimal for this project.

Thanks for the kind attention.

Regards, **Freddy Lui**Engineer | Transport and Infrastructure



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Dear all,

We are ok with the updated time.

Best regards,