

Minutes of the 48th POC Meeting

(Joint meeting with the Provisional Local Vessel Advisory Committee)

Date: 2 December 2005 (Friday)

Time: 0930 hours

Venue: Conference Room 1405, 14/F, Harbour Building, 38 Pier Road, Central

Present	Mr. S. Y. TSUI	Co-Chairman
	Mr. Roger TUPPER	Co-Chairman
	Mr. Albert WONG	Member
	Mr. K.T. KWOK	Member
	Mr. Peter NG	(On behalf of Mr. Neil RUSSELL)
	Mr. Peter CHEUNG	(On behalf of Mr. Terence SIT)
	Mr. David BLOOMFIELD	(On behalf of Mr. W.L. LAU)
	Mr. Frankie LAM	Secretary

Presenter of POC Paper no. 8/05 :

Mr. Derek SUN	(Study Manager)
Mr. Raymond LEE	(Planning Department)
Mr. Kelvin CHAN	(Planning Department)
Mr. David LEUNG	(Civil Engineering and Development Department)
Mr. Igor HO	(Engineering Consultant)
Ms. Canetti YU	(Planning Consultant)
Mr. M K CHAN	(Marine Department)

Apologies	Mr. C.M. KU	Member
	Mr. P.Y. LI	Member
	Capt. S.H. PAU	Member
	Mr. Harry LAM	Member
	Mr. Sunny HO	Member
	Mr. Terence TSE	Member
	Mr. Y.S. YOUNG	Member
	Ms. Janice TSE	Member
	Mr. K.M. LEE	Member

1. Open of Meeting

- 1.1 **Mr. Roger TUPPER** (Co-chairman) welcomed the members of the two committees namely the Provisional Local Vessel Advisory Committee (PLVAC) and the Port Operations Committee (POC) to the meeting. He also said two papers would be discussed by the two committees together before moving forward to other agenda for the PLVAC.

2. Papers for Discussion

2.1 POC Paper No. 8/05

Kai Tak Planning Review – Stage 2 Public Participation :

Outline Concept Plans

- 2.1.1 **Mr. M.K. CHAN** (Marine Department) briefed members that the Stage 1 Public Participation of the Kai Tak Planning Review was undertaken in 2004. The Stage 2 Public Participation would last until early next year.

2.1.2 **Mr. Raymond LEE** (Planning Department) said that the PLVAC had been introduced about the Stage 1 Public Participation and now the three Concept Plans of the Stage 2 Public Participation would be introduced.

2.1.3 **Mr. Derek SUN** (Study Manager) made a presentation on the Stage 2 Public Participation. He explained to members on the planning principles, the development components and the major urban design and landscape considerations. He said that the study had adopted 'no reclamation' as the starting point in preparing the development concepts. Concept Plans 1, 2 and 3 were presented as follow: -

2.1.4 Concept Plan 1 – City in the Park

The theme was to develop a quality living district in a park-like environment.

2.1.5 Concept Plan 2 – Kai Tak Glamour

The theme was to celebrate the glamour of Kai Tak as a historical anchor, a visiting hub and an economic powerhouse.

2.1.6 Concept Plan 3 – Sports by the Harbour

The theme was to promote Kai Tak as a sports and recreation hub.

Mr. Sun also reminded members that various forums were to be held between November 2005 and February 2006 and urged members to participate and discuss on the public views collected.

2.1.7 **Mr. Roger TUPPER** (Co-chairman) invited comments from members.

2.1.8 **Mr. K. T. KWOK** (Member) said that the existing Kwun Tong and To Kwa Wan Typhoon Shelters were not enough for use during the passage of typhoons, he expected that the area of these typhoon shelters would not decrease due to the Kai Tak Development. Yet the Planning Department had not stated the exact area and purposes of the captioned typhoon shelters in the concept plans.

2.1.9 **Mr. Raymond LEE** (Planning Department) said that the typhoon shelter for yachts was proposed for public consideration.

2.1.10 **Mr. Peter NG** (Member) said that currently lots of mid-stream cargoes were coming from the West and being handled at South East Kowloon, consideration on this aspect should be taken in the concept plans.

2.1.11 **Mr. NG** also said that in case high-rise buildings were in place, the air quality of the old districts to the north would be adversely affected.

- 2.1.12 **Mr. Derek SUN** (Study Manager) responded that study on the air quality in the area would be conducted.
- 2.1.13 **Mr. Peter CHEUNG** (Member) said that the local cruise vessels with their base at Kowloon Bay did contribute to the development of economy of Hong Kong. Their operations would rather be not to be affected.
- 2.1.14 **Mr. Kelvin CHAN** (Planning Department) said that the T2 road would pass underneath the sea-bed which would not affect the operations of the Kwun Tong Typhoon Shelter.
- 2.1.15 **Mr. M.K. CHAN** (Marine Department) reminded members about the dates of various forums for the Kai Tak Review to be held in the coming weeks.
- 2.1.16 **Mr. Raymond LEE** (Planning Department) said that to contact and collect views from local district would be important.
- 2.1.17 **Mr. Roger TUPPER** (Co-chairman) recapitulated on the comments given by members that the usage of the harbour should be retained, it would be incompatible for cargo vessels and pleasure craft to use the same typhoon shelter and typhoon shelters were important and vital for the safety of life and vessel especially during the passage of typhoons.

2.2 POC Paper No. 7/05

Proposed Amendments to the Freight Container (Safety) Ordinance, Cap. 506 and its Sub-legislation

2.2.1 The paper was tabled for member's discussion.

2.2.2 **Mr. Ivan TUNG** (Marine Department) presented to members on the paper's purpose, background, proposed legislative amendments and advice was sought from Members.

2.2.3 **Mr. Peter NG** (Member) said these amendments had come into force internationally, it would be appropriate to update the local legislation too. **Mr. Roger TUPPER (Co-chairman)** thanked **Mr. NG** for his support.

2.2.4 The paper was thus endorsed.

3. Date of Next Meeting

3.1 The date of the next meeting will be advised in due course.

4. Close of Meeting

4.1 The meeting closed at 1040 hours.

Confirmed this day of 2006

Chairman

Secretary