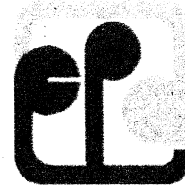


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Civil Engineering and Development Department

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

**Project Title: Site Formation and Associated Infrastructural Works for Development of
Columbarium, Crematorium and Related Facilities at Sandy Ridge Cemetery**
(Application No: EIA-236/2016)

I refer to your above application received on 28 January 2016 for approval of an EIA report under Section 6(2) of the EIA Ordinance, our letter of 21 March 2016 advising you to exhibit the EIA report for public inspection in accordance with Section 6(4) of the EIA Ordinance and our letter of 30 June 2016 providing you with a full set of public comments received during the public inspection period together with suggested conditions and recommendations from the Advisory Council on the Environment (ACE) given to us on 23 June 2016 in accordance with Section 8(1) of the EIA Ordinance.

Having considered the public comments, the comments from the ACE, and the further information submitted to us under Section 8(1) of the EIA Ordinance on 15 July 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 appropriate, as conditions in the Environmental Permit 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 –198/2016) 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/>).

If you have any query, please contact my colleague Mr. Steve LI on 2835 1142.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Johnson Wong', with a stylized flourish at the end.

(Johnson WONG)
Acting Principal Environmental Protection Officer
Director of Environmental Protection

c.c. w/o encl.

Secretary of ACE EIA Subcommittee

(Attn: Miss Becky LAM)

Fax No: 2872 0603

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

- (i) As far as practicable, the Project Proponent shall provide pedestrian footpath on only one side of Lin Ma Hang Road (the Road). Should the Project Proponent see the need to provide additional sections of footpath at the Road, he shall justify the need to the satisfaction of Transport Department (TD). Prior to commencement of construction, the Layout Plan for the proposed footpath at the Road shall be submitted to the Advisory Council on the Environment (ACE) for comment, before submitting to TD for approval.
- (ii) The Project Proponent shall adopt alternative methods of design and construction of the viaduct to span across the river course such that no structures, both temporary and permanent, would affect or impact on the water course in the works area.
- (iii) The Project Proponent shall submit a Monitoring and Survey Plan for Golden-headed Cisticola as part of the Environmental Monitoring and Audit (EM&A) Programme to the Director for approval. The Monitoring and Survey Plan shall include an Action Plan in response to any irregularities identified.
- (iv) The Project Proponent shall submit a detailed Compensatory Planting Plan (the Plan) to the Director for approval. The Plan shall identify and quantify the area of loss of woodland with moderate or high ecological value, and provide at least 1:1 compensatory woodland planting. Suitable experts shall be engaged to advise on aspects of plant species selection, planting scheme and schedule (including sourcing or nursery propagation of the required species), fire control, and post-planting monitoring and maintenance. Action targets shall be set using percentage canopy cover formation for each planting plot so as to ensure effective woodland compensation in the long term.

- **END** -

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

- i) The Project Proponent should explore and implement as far as practicable effective and innovative measures to promote the use of green transport ;
- ii) The Project Proponent should explore effective measures to promote walkability and to encourage visitors to reach the columbarium, crematorium and related facilities on foot;
- iii) The Project Proponent should, for the purpose of further reducing traffic noise and minimizing the use of visually instructive noise barriers, use low noise road surfacing materials wherever practicable;
- iv) The Project Proponent should re-use surplus inert construction and demolition materials generated from the project as far as practicable. Alternative construction sites in addition to the proposed sites at Tung Chung and the third runway of the Hong Kong International Airport should be explored for re-use of the excavated materials; and
- v) The Project Proponent should review the effectiveness and hence the need of the proposed Grassland Reinstatement Plan for enhancing the ecological compensation of the grassland. Should the Grassland Reinstatement Plan be needed, an independent evaluation of the effectiveness of the Plan should be included.

- **END** -

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