

URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY ORDINANCE (Chapter 563)

NOTIFICATION OF COMMENCEMENT OF THE
QUEEN'S ROAD WEST/KWAI HEUNG STREET
DEVELOPMENT PROJECT BY THE
URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY

Pursuant to section 23(1) of the Urban Renewal Authority Ordinance ('URAO'), it is hereby notified that the Urban Renewal Authority ('URA') will commence the implementation of its project C&W-007 Queen's Road West/Kwai Heung Street ('the Project'). In accordance with section 23(2) of the URAO, the commencement date of the implementation of the Project shall be the date on which notice of the Project is first published in the *Gazette*, i.e. 2 December 2022.

The Project will be implemented by way of a development project under section 26 of the URAO.

The Project covers a gross site area of about 1 295 m², broadly bounded by Sung Hing Lane Children's Playground to the north, Kwai Heung Street to the east, Queen's Road West to the south and Centre Street to the west.

In accordance with section 23(3) of the URAO, public inspection of:—

- (a) a description of the general nature and effects of the Project; and
- (b) a plan delineating the boundaries of the Project,

can be made for a period of two months from the date of the first publication of this notice, that is to say 2 December 2022.

Unless otherwise specified in the URA website (<http://www.ura.org.hk>), the above information will be available for public inspection during the following office hours at the following locations:—

- (i) the Urban Renewal Authority's Headquarters, 26th Floor, COSCO Tower, 183 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong (Monday to Friday 8.45 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.); and
- (ii) the Central and Western Home Affairs Enquiry Centre, Ground Floor, Harbour Building, 38 Pier Road, Central, Hong Kong (Monday to Friday 9.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m.).

Such information is also available on the URA website at (<http://www.ura.org.hk>).

Under section 24(1) of the URAO, any person who considers that he will be affected by the Project and who wishes to object to the implementation of the Project may, within the publication period, send to the URA a written statement of his objection(s) to the Project. Such written statement of objection(s) ('the objection') shall set out:—

- (a) the nature and reasons for the objection; and
- (b) where the objection would be removed by an amendment of the development project any amendment proposed.

The objection should be made in writing and sent to the URA, 26th Floor, COSCO Tower, 183 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, not later than 2 February 2023.

Any person who intends to submit his objection to the Project is advised to read the 'Urban Renewal Authority Guidelines on the Submission of Objections to Projects to be implemented by way of Development Project' ('the Guidelines') for details. The Guidelines are available for collection at the above locations and can be downloaded from the URA website at (<http://www.ura.org.hk>).

Under section 24(3) of the URAO, the URA shall consider all objections received and shall, not later than 2 May 2023, submit:—

- (a) the development project;
- (b) the URA's deliberations on the objections;
- (c) any objections which are not withdrawn; and
- (d) an assessment by the URA as to the likely effect of the implementation of the development project including, in relation to the residential accommodation of persons who will be displaced by the implementation of the development project, an assessment as

to whether or not, insofar as suitable residential accommodation for such persons does not already exist, arrangements can be made for the provision of such residential accommodation in advance of any such displacement which will result as the development project is implemented,

to the Secretary for Development for consideration.

In accordance with the Urban Renewal Strategy, the URA will submit an assessment as referred to section 24(3) of the URAO by way of two social impact assessments, Stage 1 and Stage 2. Unless otherwise specified in the URA website (<http://www.ura.org.hk>), the Stage 1 social impact assessment report will be made available for public information at the above locations and URA website from 2 December 2022 to 2 February 2023. The URA intends to make Stage 2 social impact assessment report available for public information at the above locations and URA website from 19 January 2023 to 2 February 2023. The public can make comments on both social impact assessment reports to the URA. Any person who intends to make comments is also advised to read the Guidelines and send his comments to the URA not later than 2 February 2023.

Under section 24(4) of the URAO, the Secretary for Development shall then consider the development project and any objections which are not withdrawn and determine whether to authorize, amend or decline to authorize the development project.

This notice is a notice of the commencement date of the Project only. It shall not constitute any representation or warranty that the URA is under a duty or obligation to implement the Project. The URA has the right to discontinue the Project in circumstances it deems appropriate to do so.

2 December 2022

Urban Renewal Authority