

# Effective Exchange Rate Index

The effective exchange rate index for the Hong Kong dollar on Friday, July 10, 2020 is 107.2 (up 0.3 against yesterday's index).

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## Approved Tong Yan San Tsuen Outline Zoning Plan amended

The Town Planning Board today (July 10) announced amendments to the approved Tong Yan San Tsuen Outline Zoning Plan (OZP).

The amendments are to take forward Stages 1 and 2 of the Yuen Long South (YLS) Development under the Revised Recommended Outline Development Plan of the "Planning and Engineering Study for Housing Sites in YLS – Investigation" (the YLS Study). The amendments mainly involve rezoning of (i) four sites to the west of Kung Um Road and to the east of Lam Tai East Road from "Undetermined" ("U") to "Government, Institution or Community(1)" ("G/IC(1)") and "G/IC(2)" and a site to the east of Tong Yan San Tsuen Interchange from "Open Storage" ("OS") to "G/IC(2)" to support the YLS Development; (ii) five sites to the south, southwest and west of Tin Liu Tsuen and east of Shan Ha from "U" to "Residential (Group A)3" primarily for public housing developments; and (iii) four sites to the north, west and south of Tin Liu Tsuen and east and south of Shan Ha from "U" to "Open Space" ("O"). To retain the existing residential clusters as proposed by the YLS Study, two sites in the vicinity of Tin Liu Tsuen are rezoned from "U" to "Residential (Group D)" ("R(D)"). To re-provision village houses affected by government projects, two sites in the vicinity of Shan Ha are rezoned from "U" and "R(D)" to "Village Type Development(1)".

To accommodate brownfield operations that could not be accommodated in conventional flattened factory buildings, three sites to the south of the Yuen Long Highway are proposed to be rezoned from "Industrial (Group D)" ("I(D)"), "Residential (Group B)1" ("R(B)1"), "G/IC" and "Green Belt" ("GB") to "Other Specified Uses" ("OU") annotated "Storage and Workshop Use" and an area to the south of the Tin Shui Wai West Interchange (TSWWI) is rezoned from "GB" to "OS". Strips of land to the south, west and north of Tong Yan San Tsuen Road, to the north and west of Park Villa and to the south of the TSWWI are rezoned from "R(B)1", "GB", "I(D)" and "G/IC" to "O".

A site to the southern end of Kung Um Road is rezoned from "U" to "OU" annotated "Sewage Treatment Works" mainly for a proposed sewage treatment/screening plant.

The draft Tong Yan San Tsuen OZP No. S/YL-TYST/13, incorporating the

amendments, is now available for public inspection during office hours at (i) the Secretariat of the Town Planning Board, (ii) the Planning Enquiry Counters of the Planning Department in North Point and Sha Tin, (iii) the Tuen Mun and Yuen Long West District Planning Office, (iv) the Yuen Long District Office, (v) the Ping Shan Rural Committee, and (vi) the Shap Pat Heung Rural Committee.

Any person may make written representations in respect of the amendments to the Secretary of the Town Planning Board on or before September 10. Any person who intends to make a representation is advised to read the revised Town Planning Board Guidelines No. 29B on "Submission and Publication of Representations, Comments on Representations and Further Representations under the Town Planning Ordinance" (TPB PG-No. 29B) which were promulgated in November 2018 and took effect in 2019.

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The Guidelines and the submission form are available at locations (i) and (ii) above and the Town Planning Board's website ([www.info.gov.hk/tpb](http://www.info.gov.hk/tpb)).

Copies of the draft Tong Yan San Tsuen OZP are available for sale at the Map Publications Centres in North Point and Yau Ma Tei. The electronic version of the OZP can be viewed at the Town Planning Board's website ([www.info.gov.hk/tpb/](http://www.info.gov.hk/tpb/)).

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YLS Development, rezoning of a site to the east of Kiu Hing Road from "OU(RU)" to "Residential (Group D)" for retaining an existing residential cluster as proposed by the YLS Study, and rezoning of a site to the east of Pak Sha Shan Road from "OU(RU)" to "Village Type Development(1)" for reprovioning of village houses affected by government projects.

The draft Tai Tong OZP No. S/YL-TT/17, incorporating the amendments, is now available for public inspection during office hours at (i) the Secretariat of the Town Planning Board, (ii) the Planning Enquiry Counters of the Planning Department in North Point and Sha Tin, (iii) the Tuen Mun and Yuen Long West District Planning Office, (iv) the Yuen Long District Office, (v) the Shap Pat Heung Rural Committee, and (vi) the Ping Shan Rural Committee.

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## [Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected cocaine \(with photo\)](#)

Hong Kong Customs seized about 1 kilogram of suspected cocaine with an estimated market value of about \$1.1 million at Lok Ma Chau Control Point on

July 8.

Customs officers inspected a parcel arriving in Hong Kong from Malaysia via the Mainland at Lok Ma Chau Control Point on that day and found the batch of suspected cocaine concealed inside 24 cake packages.

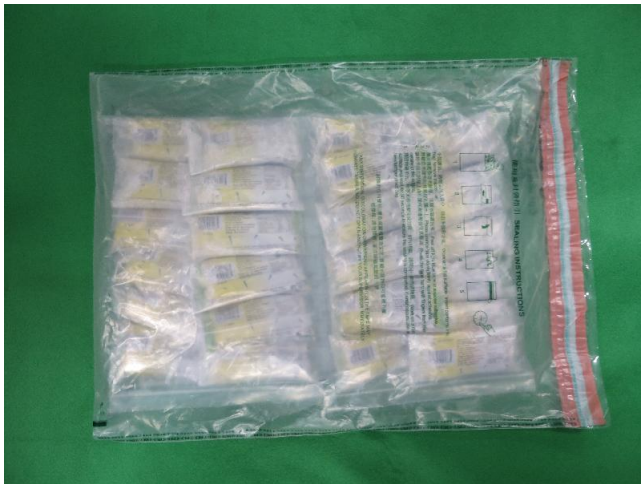
Upon follow-up investigation, Customs officers arrested a 38-year-old man yesterday (July 9) suspected to be in connection with the case in Lai Chi Kok.

Investigation is ongoing and the arrested man has been released on bail pending further investigation.

Customs will maintain close contact with Hongkong Post and the logistics industries to step up action against drug trafficking through postal parcel or express courier channels.

Under the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance, trafficking in a dangerous drug is a serious offence. The maximum penalty upon conviction is a fine of \$5 million and life imprisonment.

Members of the public may report any suspected drug trafficking activities to Customs' 24-hour hotline 2545 6182 or its dedicated crime-reporting email account ([crimereport@customs.gov.hk](mailto:crimereport@customs.gov.hk)).



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## **EMSD announces test results of LPG quality in June 2020**

â€‹The Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (EMSD) today (July 10) announced that the department collected nine liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) samples from auto-LPG filling stations and LPG terminals on a random basis in June 2020 for laboratory tests. The results show that the LPG quality of all these samples complied with auto-LPG specifications.

The detailed test results are available on the EMSD's website ([www.emsd.gov.hk/en/rl/lpg\\_sample\\_analysis\\_simple](http://www.emsd.gov.hk/en/rl/lpg_sample_analysis_simple)). Enquiries can also be made to the EMSD's hotline on 2333 3762.

In addition, the EMSD has been vetting independent third-party test reports submitted by LPG supply companies for each shipment to ensure that the quality of imported LPG complies with the specified requirements.