<u>Approved URA Staunton Street/Wing Lee Street Development Scheme Plan</u> referred back for amendment

The Town Planning Board announced today (June 14) that the Chief Executive in Council (CE in C) has referred the approved Urban Renewal Authority (URA) Staunton Street/Wing Lee Street Development Scheme Plan (DSP) to the Board for amendment to reflect the latest land use proposals.

The respective amendments will be exhibited for public inspection under the provisions of the Town Planning Ordinance.

The URA Staunton Street/Wing Lee Street DSP was last approved by the CE in C in May 2012.

<u>Ping Shan Tin Shui Wai Swimming Pool</u> <u>temporarily closed</u>

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible and repeat it at regular intervals:

Here is an item of interest to swimmers.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (June 14) that Ping Shan Tin Shui Wai Swimming Pool in Yuen Long District has been temporarily closed for cleaning and superchlorination following the discovery of a small amount of vomit in the pool.

It will be reopened at 7.30pm today.

The department appeals to swimmers to be considerate and to keep swimming pools clean. They are advised not to swim after a full meal and should use the toilet facilities if necessary before swimming.

Limited registration approved for nonlocally trained doctors

The following is issued on behalf of the Hospital Authority:

The Hospital Authority (HA) spokesperson today (June 14) announced that confirmation was received from the Medical Council of Hong Kong on the approval of seven applications of non-locally trained doctors for practice with limited registration in public hospitals to help relieve the frontline workload. Among the seven applications, five are new applications while the other two are for renewal. The seven doctors will be serving in emergency medicine, family medicine, neurosurgery, paediatrics and radiology departments.

The overseas recruitment of non-locally trained doctors will continue. Up to May 2019, there are 14 non-locally trained doctors who have been assessed to be eligible for the recruitment exercise considered suitable for appointment after interviews by user departments. All the applicants have fulfilled related qualification requirements recognised by the constituent colleges of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine, and they all have license to practise in their respective countries. The HA will submit limited registration applications for non-locally trained doctors by batches according to their intended date of reporting for duty. The recruitment of non-locally trained doctor has been progressing well, with ongoing applications for positions in the HA received. Selection interviews will be arranged for the eligible applicants.

Currently, there are 12 non-locally trained doctors working in public hospitals under limited registration to relieve manpower shortage and workload pressure of frontline doctors in the specialties of anaesthesia, cardiothoracic surgery, emergency medicine, family medicine, internal medicine and radiology.

Since April this year, the HA has expanded the scope of the limited registration recruitment scheme to all specialties at the rank of Service Resident, and to recruit non-locally trained specialists at the rank of Associate Consultant in eight specialties (anaesthesia, anatomical pathology, cardiothoracic surgery, otorhinolaryngology, obstetrics and gynaecology, ophthalmology, radiology and nuclear medicine) which face a significant shortage of specialists.

Effective Exchange Rate Index

The effective exchange rate index for the Hong Kong dollar on Friday,

Tenders invited for Fanling North New Development Area, Phase 1: Fanling Bypass Eastern Section (Shung Him Tong to Kau Lung Hang)

The Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) today (June 14) invited tenders for the contract for Fanling North New Development Area, Phase 1: Fanling Bypass Eastern Section (Shung Him Tong to Kau Lung Hang) (Contract No. ND/2019/05).

The works are scheduled to commence in December 2019 and will take about 54 months to complete. The works mainly comprise:

- construction of the approximately 2-kilometre-long dual two-lane Fanling Bypass Eastern Section between Shung Him Tong and Kau Lung Hang mainly on viaducts with two long-span overbridges across the existing East Rail Line;
- realignment of part of the existing Tai Wo Service Road East, Tai Wo Service Road West and the Fanling Highway;
- construction of approximately 2.4km-long noise barriers, and relocation of approximately 400-metre-long existing noise barriers along the Fanling Highway;
- alteration and addition works to the existing Ho Ka Yuen footbridge;
- reprovisioning of a bus-bus interchange at the Fanling Highway with a proposed public toilet and covered walkway; and
- associated slope works, ground investigation, geotechnical instrumentation and monitoring, retaining wall works, drainage works, waterworks, sewerage works, traffic control and surveillance system installation, electrical and mechanical works and landscaping works.

The CEDD has appointed AECOM Asia Company Limited as the consultant to design and supervise the works. Interested contractors can obtain the tender forms and other particulars from the company at 8/F, Grand Central Plaza, Tower 2, 138 Sha Tin Rural Committee Road, Sha Tin.

The invitation to tender was gazetted today. The closing time for the tender is noon on September 13, 2019.

Details of the tender notice are available at the CEDD's website (www.cedd.gov.hk/eng/tender/contract/tender/index.html). For enquiries, please call AECOM Asia Company Limited at 3922 9000 during office hours.