

URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY ORDINANCE (Chapter 563)

NOTIFICATION OF COMMENCEMENT OF THE  
SHANTUNG STREET/THISTLE STREET  
DEVELOPMENT SCHEME  
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 YTM-012 Shantung Street/Thistle 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. 16 October 2020.

The Project will be implemented by way of a development scheme under section 25 of the URAO. A draft Development Scheme Plan ('DSP') of the Project will be submitted by the URA under section 25(5) of the URAO to the Town Planning Board ('TPB') for consideration.

The Project covers a gross site area of about 2 796m<sup>2</sup>, broadly bounded by Thistle Street to the east, Shantung Street to the south, part of Ferry Street to the west and part of Nelson Street to the north. The Project includes the buildings at 1–27 Shantung Street (odd nos.), 1–23 Thistle Street (odd nos.) and 2L–2M Nelson Street, part of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department's Thistle Street Rest Garden, a government lane as well as the surrounding public pavement.

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 16 October 2020.

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

- (i) the Urban Renewal Authority, 26th Floor, COSCO Tower, 183 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong (Monday to Friday 8.45 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.);
- (ii) the Yau Tsim Mong Home Affairs Enquiry Centre, Ground Floor, Mong Kok Government Offices, 30 Luen Wan Street, Mong Kok, Kowloon (Monday to Friday 9.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m.); and
- (iii) the Urban Renewal Resource Centre, 1st Floor, 6 Fuk Tsun Street, Tai Kok Tsui, Kowloon (Monday to Friday 10.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m.; Saturday 10.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.).

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

The URA intends to submit the draft DSP of the Project, including the Stage 1 Social Impact Assessment (SIA) Report, to the TPB on or before 19 October 2020. The draft DSP will be available for public inspection on 23 October 2020 until the draft DSP is considered by the TPB during normal office hours at the following locations:—

- (i) the Planning Enquiry Counter, 17th Floor, North Point Government Offices, 333 Java Road, North Point, Hong Kong (Monday to Thursday 9.00 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. and Friday 9.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.); and
- (ii) the Planning Enquiry Counter, 14th Floor, Sha Tin Government Offices, 1 Sheung Wo Che Road, Sha Tin, New Territories (Monday to Thursday 9.00 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. and Friday 9.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.).

Any person may make comment to the TPB in respect of the draft DSP of the Project. The comment should be made in writing to the Secretary, Town Planning Board (15th Floor, North Point Government Offices, 333 Java Road, North Point, Hong Kong) not later than 13 November 2020.

In accordance with the Urban Renewal Strategy, the URA will submit the Stage 2 SIA Report to the TPB. The URA intends to make the submission on or before 2 December 2020. The report

will be made available for public inspection during normal office hours at the aforementioned Planning Enquiry Counters from 11 December 2020. Any person may make comment on the report in writing to the TPB not later than 28 December 2020.

The draft DSP, including the Stage 1 SIA Report, will be made available for public inspection at the URA's Headquarters, Urban Renewal Resource Centre and URA's website at (<http://www.ura.org.hk>) from 23 October 2020 until the draft DSP is considered by the TPB. The Stage 2 SIA Report will also be made available for public inspection at the aforesaid locations from 11 December 2020 until the draft DSP is considered by the TPB.

If the submitted draft DSP is deemed to be suitable for publication under the Town Planning Ordinance (Chapter 131) after consideration by the TPB, it will be exhibited by the TPB for public inspection under section 5 of the Town Planning Ordinance for a period of two months. During this period, any person may make representation in writing to the TPB in respect of the draft DSP.

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.

*16 October 2020*

*Urban Renewal Authority*