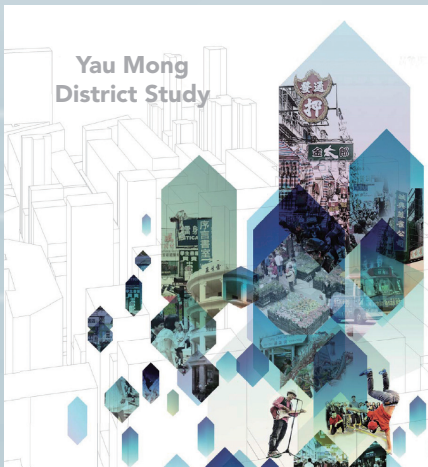


HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR

04
APR 2017

- Sale of the Subsidised Sale Flat Scheme in Kai Tak Development is completed as the remaining 16 unsold flats are sold in open market at prevailing market prices.

05
MAY 2017



- ◀ **Commences the two-year Yau Mong District Study which is a holistic district-based strategy study aimed at formulating new directions and models for future urban renewal efforts.**
- The 12th Demand-led redevelopment project at Man On Street/Tai Kok Tsui Road is aborted as the 80% acceptance threshold cannot be met, necessitating a comprehensive review of the Demand-led Scheme within the Yau Mong District Study framework.

06
JUN 2017

- Policies for ex-gratia payment and rehousing to affected tenants of redevelopment project are enhanced, helping domestic tenants to improve their living conditions, especially those living in subdivided units and cubicles, and also those being evicted by their landlords prior to acquisition of the properties by the URA.
- The initiative to refine rehabilitation schemes through relaxation of rateable value limits of domestic units for owners eligible for the schemes as well as the introduction of the concessionary fees for 'Smart Tender' joiners is geared to encourage more property owners to carry out building rehabilitation works.
- Commences the Sustainability Study with an aim to establish a systematic evaluation framework which will enable the URA to create sustainable and positive impacts from its 5R work to the community.

07
JUL 2017

- Invites expression of interest for the development of Peel Street/Graham Street project (Site C) in Central with initiatives to preserve historic buildings and strengthen local characteristics. The project includes the preservation of the Grade 1 historic building of former Wing Woo Grocery at No. 120 Wellington Street and the building façade of No. 26 A – C Graham Streets.

08
AUG 2017



- ▶ **Building Rehab Info Net is revamped with new features including service providers reference list and BRbot offering more user-friendly accesses and illustrations to the one-stop online resource centre of building maintenance to help building owners organise building maintenance.**

09
SEP 2017

- The Reclamation Street/Shantung Street development project in Mong Kok is among the first batch of the URA projects that incorporate smart features and building management system into the development with an aim to create a sustainable living environment. Invitation of expression of interest is issued in September.

10
OCT 2017

- The former Central Market is handed over to the URA for revitalisation which is targeted for completion by 2021 for early enjoyment by the public.
- ▶ **An “Info Truck” is driven to 30 locations throughout Hong Kong with a roving exhibition to raise public awareness about building rehabilitation while encouraging property owners to join the Smart Tender at a concessionary rate. The roving exhibition has attracted over 30,000 visitors during the month.**
- In support of the Chief Executive’s Policy Address, the URA takes up the implementation of the Operation Building Bright 2.0 and Fire Safety Improvement Works Subsidy Scheme, to assist building owners to improve their living condition.



- ▶ **H6 CONET opens with a 2,600-square-metre new community space on the ground floor of The Center where local communities and NGOs are encouraged to use the spaces for creating art, holding exhibitions and performances for public enjoyment. The Urban Renewal Exploration Centre of the URA is also relocated to H6 CONET with a facelift to inspire visitors to understand urban renewal issues via various interactive games and presentations.**



- Incorporating public aspirations on the detailed design of the project and maintaining the essence of the original proposal, the latest design of Development Areas 4 and 5 of the Kwun Tong Town Centre project is accepted by Members of the Kwun Tong District Council.



- Leveraging the redevelopment opportunities in Kowloon City, the URA issues acquisition offers to property owners of three Kowloon City redevelopment projects, namely Chun Tin Street/Sung Chi Street development scheme (KC-008(A)), Hung Fook Street/Ngan Hon Street development scheme (KC-010) and Kai Ming Street/Wing Kwong Street development project (KC-013) with an aim to bring in more social benefits with a larger planning scale under the district-based approach. The regenerated district, upon completion, will be furnished with better road network, underground parking facilities and enhanced walkability.



- ▶ Teams up with Hong Kong Design Institute to launch a three-week promotion campaign to enhance the vibrancy of Tung Yan Street Interim Hawker Bazaar promotion ahead of Lunar New Year.



- ▶ A funfair is organised under the Community Service Partnership Scheme (CSPS) among URA staff, tertiary students and NGOs to mark the completion of its 2017-18 programme, in which about 1,450 hours of voluntary service have been undertaken serving elderlies, ethnic minority children and underprivileged families in Sham Shui Po, Yau Tsim Mong, Kowloon City, and Central and Western District.





- The commercial portion of the Tung Chau Street/Kweilin Street Demand-led development project will be designated for the Sham Shui Po Design and Fashion Project to support the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau's initiative to nurture design and fashion talents and turn the district into a design and fashion landmark. Invitation of expression of interest is issued in March.

03

MAR 2018

▲ **Two redevelopment projects targeting to improve the built environment and accessibility through re-planning and rationalising land use of the sites commence with Queen's Road West/In Ku Lane development scheme in the Central and Western District and Oak Street/Ivy Street development project in Tai Kok Tsui.**

- Holds 10 mass briefing sessions to introduce the Operation Building Bright 2.0 and the Fire Safety Improvement Works Subsidy Scheme to property owners and encourage them to make necessary preparation ahead of the launch of the two schemes in mid-2018.

04

APR 2018

- New arrangement for publishing information on joint venture development tender results is approved to increase transparency in response to similar Government's initiative.

05

MAY 2018



- ◀ **Joins hands with Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education of the Vocational Training Council to co-organise the debut "URA/IVE Innovative Design Competition 2018", which attracts nearly 50 submissions from tertiary students. With the theme of "innovative ideas for old districts", the competition encourages young people to utilise their knowledge and creativity to put together a design concept or tool to enhance the living quality of elderly in old districts.**

06

JUN 2018

- To complete the cluster under the district-based approach, the Wing Kwong Street/Sung On Street development project (KC-014) in Kowloon City is commenced to broaden the planning and social benefits through further enhancing the local road network and pedestrian environment with the adjoining 5 projects.
- The Chief Executive invites URA to assign the Ma Tau Wai Road/Chun Tin Street redevelopment project as a "Starter Homes" Pilot Project as part of the Government's new housing initiatives.
- Announces the preliminary findings of the Archaeological Impact Assessment of the Nga Tsin Wai Village Project as further archaeological investigation and excavation continue on site by independent archaeological experts to assess the overall heritage value of the site.