

OPERATING HIGHLIGHTS

ACHIEVING URBAN REGENERATION TARGETS THROUGH SUSTAINABLE STRATEGIES

Raising awareness on preventive building maintenance

To combat urban decay by prompting owners to carry out proper and regular maintenance for their buildings at a young age, and to equip them with more useful tools and knowledge.

Maintaining financial prudence

To maintain financial prudence while delivering greater social impact through optimal allocation and full utilisation of resources.

Adopting holistic planning-led strategy

To maximise development potentials of strategically selected sites through restructuring and replanning, bringing along benefits of improved living conditions with open spaces, as well as enhanced district connectivity and pedestrian environment in addition to increased flat supply.

Deploying innovative technologies

To actively develop and adopt smart urban planning and project management systems based on geographic and building information for the creation of smart buildings and city infrastructural facilities, paving the way for building a smart city.

TOWARDS A SUSTAINABLE AND SMART CITY

Fuelling Urban Regeneration

As of 30 June 2020, a total of **70** projects have been undertaken since the establishment of URA in 2001.

Redevelopment

- Urban area improved: **208,000** m²
- Dilapidated building blocks redeveloped or to be redeveloped: **1,495**
- New flats built: **23,200**
- Residents benefitting from projects: **32,600**
- Government, Institutional and Community (GIC) facilities: **56,000** m²
- Open space: **28,100** m²

Rehabilitation

- Building blocks rehabilitated or in the process of rehabilitation under various assistance schemes: **4,300**; flat units benefitted: **143,000**
- Building rehabilitation loan and subsidies released: around **\$1,630** million
- "Smart Tender" applications received: **1,180**; flat units benefitted: **150,000**
- Traffic to Building Rehabilitation Platform (www.brplatform.org.hk) since launch: over **99,000** visitors

Preservation and Revitalisation

- No. of buildings/structures preserved or to be preserved: **86**
- Place-making
 - "H6 CONET" and "7 Mallory Street" community open space (in 2019/20): **8,600** visitors/day; no. of events held: **174**

Yau Mong District Study

- To formulate a visionary and financially sustainable Master Renewal Concept Plan for the Yau Mong area that maps out a holistic approach integrating the 5Rs urban regeneration strategies, and identifies 'nodes' that possess distinctive economic, historical and cultural features along with enhancement proposals for future implementation.
- To review existing policy frameworks and identify enhanced institutional and implementation tools that would allow more flexibility in planning and development, thereby maximising land use and social benefits.

Study on New Strategy on Building Rehabilitation

- To devise a comprehensive building rehabilitation strategy, including initiatives supporting preventive maintenance, to reduce the number of dilapidated buildings which may otherwise require redevelopment.
- Forward-thinking measures will be recommended to the Government and the industry, alongside other initiatives to enhance owners' awareness and knowledge on regular building maintenance.

Taking on Wider Social Responsibilities

- No. of "Starter Homes" flats provided: **450**
- Number of community housing flats provided: **125**
- Number of commercial and residential tenants benefitted from COVID-19 epidemic rental concession: **720**
- Spaces rented to NGOs and Social Enterprises in URA Properties at concessionary rates in 2019/20: **5,000** m²
- "Home Repair Services Community Programmes" beneficiaries: more than **600** residents
- No. of service hours attained by volunteers under Community Service Partnership Scheme ("CSPS"): **8,500**, benefitting over **2,400** people (up to 31 March 2020)
- No. of old district residents benefitted from Arts and Cultural Partnership Programme in Old Urban Districts: Pilot Scheme: **677,104** (up to 31 March 2020)

Driving towards Sustainable Future

Implementing the smart city concept through innovative technologies

- URIS system being developed to facilitate data-driven decision making process and to pave the way for interfacing with Common Spatial Data Infrastructure
- The use of BIM technology in facility management of '618 Shanghai Street' Project won multiple accolades:
 - US Autodesk AEC Excellence Award 2019**
 - Autodesk Hong Kong BIM Awards 2019**

Environment

- Projects attained BEAM Platinum/BEAM Plus Platinum Rating: **15**
- With '618 Shanghai Street' being the first preservation project to receive BEAM Plus Final Assessment Platinum Rating under BEAM Plus New Buildings Version 1.2 rating scheme