Agreement No. CE 61/2007 North East New Territories New Development Areas Planning and Engineering Study - Investigation

<u>Gist of Meeting with Members of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors</u> on 25 September 2012

Date : 25 September 2012 (Thurs)

Time : 6:30pm

Venue : Room 2203 Hopewell Centre, Wan Chai

Recommended Outline Development Plans

- The proposed residential PRs of 2 to 5 were on the low side and cost-ineffective, and should be raised to increase the housing supply. The large amount of low-density housing might only attract overseas and mainland buyers. Given the huge amount of public money for resumption and compensation, the Government could consider increasing the PR but reduce the extent of land resumption so as to maintain the same amount of flat supply.
- The proposed PR/GFA for commercial uses might not be sufficient to form a critical mass to attract higher-order types of retail activities and decentralization of offices to the NDAs.
- Why a large area in PC/TKL was reserved for Special Industries? What types of industries would go there?

Non-indigenous Villages

• The current policies were unfair to the non-indigenous villagers, who unlike indigenous villagers, would not receive favourable treatments such as resiting their affected village settlements.

Farming

• Positive measures to encourage farming should be provided.

Mode of Implementation

• What was the latest Government thinking on the mode of implementation for the NDAs?

[<u>Note</u>: The above gist of views collated by the Consultants is for reference only and has not been confirmed by the participants.]