<u>Application forms for Sale of Green</u> <u>Form Subsidised Home Ownership Scheme</u> <u>Flats 2019 available from December 20</u> <u>(with photos)</u>

The following is issued on behalf of the Hong Kong Housing Authority:

The Hong Kong Housing Authority (HA) announced today (December 19) that applicants who intend to purchase flats under the Sale of Green Form Subsidised Home Ownership Scheme (GSH) Flats 2019 (GSH 2019) may submit applications from December 27, 2019, to January 9, 2020. Application forms will be available from tomorrow (December 20).

Two new developments, Dip Tsui Court in Chai Wan and Ching Fu Court in Tsing Yi, providing a total of 3 696 flats, will be put up for sale under GSH 2019. Dip Tsui Court will provide 828 flats with saleable areas of about 17.4 square metres to about 29.7 sq m (about 187 square feet to about 320 sq ft). Ching Fu Court will provide 2 868 flats with saleable areas of about 17.4 sq m to 43.8 sq m (about 187 sq ft to about 471 sq ft).

By applying a discount of 51 per cent from the assessed market values, the selling prices of the two new GSH developments range from about \$820,000 to about \$2,730,000. The average selling prices for Dip Tsui Court and Ching Fu Court are \$65,660 per sq m (i.e. \$6,100 per sq ft) and \$58,800 per sq m (i.e. \$5,460 per sq ft) respectively on a saleable area basis.

Rescinded flats from Lai Tsui Court in Cheung Sha Wan under GSH 2018 will be included for resale in this sale exercise. Apart from the 12 rescinded flats as at November 15, 2019, any additional rescinded flats of Lai Tsui Court identified up to April 2020 will be included in this sale exercise. The selling prices of rescinded flats for resale are set at the same discount of this sale exercise (a discount of 51 per cent from the assessed market values).

An online application will continue to be provided in addition to paperbased submission for GSH 2019. Applicants may choose either to submit paperbased application forms by post or by hand or to submit online applications. Each person can only be listed in one application form for this sale exercise (whether for online or paper-based application); otherwise the applications will be regarded as duplicates. Any case of duplicate application will render all applications null and void, and the application fee paid is nonrefundable and non-transferrable under all circumstances. Details are set out in the application guides.

"For applicants who are living in the public rental housing estates of the HA or the rental estates of the Hong Kong Housing Society (HS) and submit online application, their respective estate offices will contact them and verify their household information after receiving their online applications. The estate offices concerned will prepare hard copies of the application forms and the applicants and all family members aged 18 or above will have to sign the application forms and return them to their respective estate offices for further processing," a spokesman for the HA said.

"Valid Green Form (GF) applicants of the Sale of Home Ownership Scheme Flats 2019 (HOS 2019) who opted to join the next HA Subsidised Sale Flats (SSF) sale exercise will be carried over to GSH 2019. The applicants do not need to submit separate applications nor pay the application fee," the spokesman said.

"However, if there are changes in family composition, the respective applicants should inform us as soon as possible. If the changes affect their application category as well as their priority for flat selection, they are required to inform us in writing during the application period of GSH 2019. Moreover, if applicants have successfully purchased a flat under HOS 2019, their application for GSH 2019 will be cancelled immediately, and vice versa," the spokesman said.

"We have notified the valid applicants in writing that their HOS 2019 applications have been carried over to GSH 2019 and send them their GSH 2019 application numbers before the application period. For online application, such notification has been sent by email. If an applicant submits another GSH 2019 application, it will be regarded as a duplicate application. Any duplicate application will render all applications null and void, and the application fee paid is non-refundable and non-transferrable under all circumstances. As for applications cancelled under HOS 2019, they will not be carried over to GSH 2019. The HA will notify the applicants in writing before the application period. If the applicants would like to apply for GSH 2019 and meet the eligibility criteria, they should submit a new application and pay the application fee," the spokesman said.

"The closing time for receiving applications, whether online or paperbased, is 7pm on January 9, 2020. Applications submitted before or after the application period will not be accepted. Applicants who are tenants of public rental housing estates of the HA or rental estates of the HS are required to return their paper-based applications to their respective estate offices. Other applicants may return their applications by mail or in person to the office of the GSH Sales Unit. The HOS Sales Unit at the HA Customer Service Centre (HACSC) at Lok Fu will not accept GSH applications," the spokesman said.

Doll houses of typical flats, building models, exhibition panels and other information on the two new GSH developments will be displayed for public inspection at the office of the GSH Sales Unit (address: 1/F, Pioneer Place, 33 Hoi Yuen Road, Kwun Tong) from 8am to 7pm every day between December 20, 2019, and January 9, 2020. Application forms and application guides together with sales booklets with essential information on the new developments and price ranges, as well as sales leaflets of the rescinded flats, will be available for public collection.

Apart from the office of the GSH Sales Unit, these documents can also be obtained during office hours from the HACSC at Lok Fu, the estate offices and District Tenancy Management Offices of the HA, rental estate offices of the HS, the Home Affairs Enquiry Centres of the Home Affairs Department and the Sham Shui Po Housing Information Centre. Soft copies of the above documents are available from the designated website of the HA (www.housingauthority.gov.hk/gsh/2019) for viewing and downloading.

Sales brochures with detailed information and price lists of the new developments and rescinded flats will be available for public collection at least seven days before commencement of the flat selection period. Soft copies of these documents are available from the designated website of the HA (www.housingauthority.gov.hk/gsh/2019) for viewing and downloading.

"Balloting is expected to be held in March 2020. Eligible applicants are anticipated to be invited for flat selection starting from May 2020 according to their priority order of the application category," the spokesman said.

For enquiries on matters concerning application for the purchase of GSH flats, please call the 24-hour HA Sales Hotline on 2712 8000.











