

Draft URA Queen's Road West/In Ku Lane Development Scheme Plan approved

The Chief Executive in Council has approved the draft Urban Renewal Authority (URA) Queen's Road West/In Ku Lane Development Scheme Plan (DSP).

"The approved DSP provides a statutory land use planning framework to guide the implementation of the URA Queen's Road West/In Ku Lane Development Scheme," a spokesman for the Town Planning Board said today (July 19).

The Development Scheme Area covers a total area of 2 046 square metres. The Area comprises a row of tenement buildings, the In Ku Lane refuse collection point and public toilet, a five-a-side soccer pitch (being part of the Li Sing Street Playground), government lanes and a pavement area. The Area is broadly bounded by the Ko Shing Building and In Ku Lane to the north, Kam Yu Mansion and Largos Residences to the east, Queen's Road West to the south and No. 153 Queen's Road West and the Li Sing Street Playground to the west.

The area is zoned "Residential (Group A)23", which was primarily intended for high-density residential development with a government refuse collection point and public toilet, a neighbourhood elderly centre sub-base and a public open space. Commercial uses are always permitted on the lowest three floors of a building or in the purpose-designed non-residential portion of an existing building. The maximum building height of the area is restricted to 130 metres above Principal Datum or the height of the existing building, whichever is the greater.

The approved DSP No. S/H3/URA3/2 is now available for public inspection during office hours at the Secretariat of the Town Planning Board, the Planning Enquiry Counters, the Hong Kong District Planning Office and the Central and Western Home Affairs Enquiry Centre.

Copies of the approved plan are available for sale at the Map Publications Centres in North Point and Yau Ma Tei. The electronic version of the plan can be viewed at the Town Planning Board's website (www.info.gov.hk/tpb).