

Government posts land resumption notices for first phase of Yuen Long South Development

The Lands Department (LandsD) today (May 19) posted land resumption notices in accordance with section 4 of the Lands Resumption Ordinance (Chapter 124) and section 14 of the Roads (Works, Use and Compensation) Ordinance (Chapter 370) for the implementation of the first phase of the Yuen Long South (YLS) Development.

The development comprises site formation and engineering infrastructure works for forming sites for the development of public housing, multi-storey buildings for accommodating brownfield operations, village resite areas, public open spaces, and sections of Environmentally Friendly Transport Services reserve.

A total of 379 private lots with an area of about 19 hectares will be resumed by the Government. The land will revert to the Government upon the expiry of a period of three months from the date of affixing the notices of land resumption (i.e. August 20, 2022). After affixing the notices, the Government will offer ex-gratia land compensation to the relevant land owners in accordance with the relevant procedures.

For the affected households and business undertakings within the works area, the above-mentioned land reversion date is not their departure deadline. Affected households and business undertakings should note the departure deadlines (ranging from the fourth quarter of this year to the first quarter of 2023) as indicated in the letters issued by the LandsD on February 16 this year. In accordance with the applicable procedures, the LandsD will post notices again in relevant areas three months before the departure deadlines of the relevant affected households and business undertakings.

The LandsD and relevant government departments are handling the compensation and rehousing matters of the relevant land owners, affected households and business undertakings at full steam, and will endeavour to complete the follow-up work of the relevant cases before clearance commences.

The YLS Development is positioned as an extension of Yuen Long New Town. According to the current proposed development scale, it will provide about 32 900 housing units for a new population of about 98 700, and will provide about 13 700 employment opportunities. The enabling works under the first phase development are critical to the smooth implementation of the whole YLS Development.