Proposed installation of optical fibre submarine cable from Lantau Island to Cheung Chau gazetted

The Government has proposed to allow Hong Kong Telecommunications (HKT) Limited to install an optical fibre submarine cable of approximately 4.4 kilometres in length and 60 millimetres in diameter from Tai Long Wan of Lantau Island to Pak Tso Wan of Cheung Chau. The extent of the area of foreshore and seabed affected is described in a notice gazetted today (August 5).

The proposed submarine cable will extend fibre-based networks to the target villages on Cheung Chau in order to support the high-speed broadband connection in the region. The proposed works are tentatively scheduled to commence in the fourth quarter of 2022 for completion by the first quarter of 2023.

The notice and its related plan are posted near the site. The plan is also available for inspection at:

- * Survey and Mapping Office of the Lands Department (23/F, North Point Government Offices, 333 Java Road, North Point, Hong Kong) (where copies can be purchased on order);
- * Islands Home Affairs Enquiry Centre (Cheung Chau) of the Islands District Office (G/F, 22 San Hing Street, Cheung Chau);
- * Islands Home Affairs Enquiry Centre (Mui Wo) of the Islands District Office (G/F, Mui Wo Government Offices, 2 Ngan Kwong Wan Road, Mui Wo, Lantau Island);
- * Islands Home Affairs Enquiry Centre (Tung Chung) of the Islands District Office (1/F, Tung Chung Post Office Building, 6 Mei Tung Street, Tung Chung, Lantau Island); and
- * Lands Department's website (www.landsd.gov.hk) under Government Notices.

Any person who considers that he or she has an interest, right or easement in or over the foreshore and seabed involved may submit a written objection to the Director of Lands, 20/F, North Point Government Offices, 333 Java Road, North Point, Hong Kong, within two months from the gazette date, i.e. on or before October 5. The notice of such an objection shall describe the interest, right or easement of the objector and the manner in which he or she will be allegedly affected.