

SCS visits Islands District

The Secretary for the Civil Service, Mr Joshua Law, today (August 8) visited Islands District, exchanging views with Islands District Council (IDC) members on various issues, and getting an update on the latest developments of the district's major infrastructure projects and the Tung Chung New Town Extension (TCNTE) project.

Accompanied by the Chairman of the IDC, Mr Chow Yuk-tong, and the District Officer (Islands), Mr Anthony Li, Mr Law met with IDC members and exchanged views on issues that concern them. He also proceeded to HKIA Tower, where he was briefed by the Airport Authority Hong Kong on the three-runway system and the SkyCity project.

During the district visit, Mr Law observed from height at Ying Tung Estate in Tung Chung the various infrastructure and development projects, including the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge, a cross-boundary transport infrastructure project connecting Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao, and the Tung Chung East reclamation works under the TCNTE project. He was also briefed on the projects' latest progress by colleagues of related departments.

Mr Law said he was pleased to learn that the TCNTE project, a large-scale land formation project, will allow the development of housing, the economy and the community to run in parallel. The project will provide about 50 000 residential flats and about 870 000 square metres of commercial floor space, accommodating an additional population of more than 140 000 and creating about 40 000 job opportunities.

Mr Law said, "Apart from a better grasp of public sentiments, district visits enable me to get updates on the latest developments in the community. In today's Islands District visit, I have conducted a journey on major infrastructure, which has enhanced my understanding of the efforts made by the civil service colleagues on these projects."