## <u>Sixteen building plans approved in</u> June

The Buildings Department approved 16 building plans in June, with four on Hong Kong Island and 12 in the New Territories.

Of the approved plans, nine were for apartment and apartment/commercial developments, three were for commercial developments, two were for factory and industrial developments, and two were for community services developments.

In the same month, consent was given for works to start on 12 building projects which, when completed, will provide 128 598 square metres of gross floor area for domestic use involving 1 818 units, and 63 585 sq m of gross floor area for non-domestic use. The department has received notification of commencement of works for nine building projects.

The department also issued 23 occupation permits, with four on Hong Kong Island, five in Kowloon and 14 in the New Territories.

Of the buildings certified for occupation, the gross floor area for domestic use was 77 737 sq m involving 1 056 units, and 71 357 sq m was for non-domestic use.

The declared cost of new buildings completed in June totalled about \$5.7 billion.

In addition, six demolition consents involving six building structures were issued.

The department received 2 968 reports about unauthorised building works (UBWs) in June and issued 856 removal orders on UBWs.

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