

Town Planning Board Guidelines revised/cancelled

The Town Planning Board (TPB) today (December 8) promulgated three sets of revised Guidelines (TPB PG-No. 5A, TPB PG-No. 18B and TPB PG-No. 36C) and cancelled one set of Guidelines (TPB PG-No. 2B) with immediate effect.

The revised TPB PG-No. 36C for Class A and Class B Amendments to Approved Development Proposals set out the Class A and Class B amendments, the procedures for application for amendments to the approved development proposals under section 16A of the Town Planning Ordinance and the assessment criteria. Taking into account the past experience in administering TPB PG-No. 36B, feedback from stakeholders and the government-wide policy initiative to streamline the development process, the TPB PG-No. 36B including the Schedule of Class A and Class B amendments has been reviewed to allow greater flexibility and streamlined procedures for amendments to approved development proposals at the detailed design stage.

In relation to the above, a corresponding amendment has been incorporated to the revised TPB PG-No. 18B for Submission of Master Layout Plan under Section 4A(2) of the Town Planning Ordinance to update the reference to the revised TPB PG-No. 36C therein.

The revised TPB PG-No. 5A for Application for Office Development in Residential (Group A) Zone under Section 16 of the Town Planning Ordinance is mainly to reflect the latest planning circumstances and fine tune the planning criteria.

The TPB PG-No. 2B for Interim Planning Control on Service Apartment is cancelled as the term 'Service Apartment' has been deleted from the Notes of all Outline Zoning Plans.

The revised Guidelines (No. TPB PG-No. 5A, TPB PG-No. 18B and TPB PG-No. 36C) are now available at the Secretariat of the TPB at 15/F, North Point Government Offices, 333 Java Road, North Point, Hong Kong (Tel: 2231 4810 or 2231 4835) and the TPB's website (www.tpb.gov.hk). Any enquiries on the Guidelines may be addressed to the Secretariat of the TPB at the above address or by email (tpbpd@pland.gov.hk).