

## Twenty-one building plans approved in July

The Buildings Department approved 21 building plans in July, with six on Hong Kong Island, nine in Kowloon and six in the New Territories.

Of the approved plans, 12 were for apartment and apartment/commercial developments, six were for commercial developments, two were for factory and industrial developments, and one was for community services developments.

In the same month, consent was given for works to start on eight building projects which, when completed, will provide 107 100 square metres of gross floor area for domestic use involving 1 620 units, and 25 706 sq m of gross floor area for non-domestic use. The department has received notification of commencement of works for seven building projects.

The department also issued 23 occupation permits, with seven on Hong Kong Island, five in Kowloon and 11 in the New Territories.

Of the buildings certified for occupation, the gross floor area for domestic use was 189 052 sq m involving 2 932 units, and 192 769 sq m was for non-domestic use.

The declared cost of new buildings completed in July totalled about \$11.1 billion.

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

The department received 2 848 reports about unauthorised building works (UBWs) in July and issued 1 255 removal orders on UBWs.

The full version of the Monthly Digest for July can be viewed by the public on the Buildings Department's homepage ([www.bd.gov.hk](http://www.bd.gov.hk)).