

Water Supplies Department to organise guided tours to Ex-Sham Shui Po Service Reservoir

The Water Supplies Department (WSD) today (November 25) announced that guided tours to Ex-Sham Shui Po Service Reservoir would be held for six months tentatively from December 15, 2021, to June 14, 2022. Members of the public are welcome to make appointments through the ["Ex-Sham Shui Po Service Reservoir" dedicated webpage](#) of the Department from December 1.

The Antiquities Advisory Board accorded Grade 1 status to the service reservoir in a meeting in June 2021. The WSD launched a [360-degree virtual tour](#) of the service reservoir in March. With a view to further enabling the public to personally tour the service reservoir and appreciate its internal structures, the WSD has organised this guided tour activity.

The WSD has completed temporary strengthening and tidying of the service reservoir, including the installation of a skylight for the protection of the service reservoir from weather effects, as well as improvement works, such as provision of internal lighting, ventilation facilities, fire service installations, raised floor pathway, access facilities and ground level greening works, for the guided tours. The WSD has sought technical advice from the Antiquities and Monuments Office from the perspective of heritage conservation.

A spokesman for the WSD said that each guided tour would last about 90 minutes, covering aspects of internal and external design and architectural structures of the service reservoir, as well as the historical development of the fresh water supply system in Kowloon, etc, so as to enable members of the public to understand and appreciate the historic structure in person. The Government will carry out studies and consult the public, including making reference to the public's views collected upon their participation in the guided tours, and look into the options of conserving and revitalising the Ex-Sham Shui Po Service Reservoir in the long run, with a view to enabling the public to enjoy this place.