

Harbour Business Forum Newsletter | No. 4 | December 2005

Dear members,

HBF will be 6 months old when the New Year arrives, and our activities are picking up pace by the month. Our research is entering a second phase with the commencement of our public opinion survey on the harbour. We are planning to more events in 2006 including a monthly roundtables series on harbour issues and a 'My Harbour' public design competition.



Past Events

Members' Briefing

HBF provided our membership an overview of our recent activities and outlined our future plans and directions. We also gave or members a preview of our completed and ongoing research which included our harbour audit and a review of the Central Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) in relation to the Harbour Planning Principles.

• International speakers Luncheon Series

A luncheon on the Role of Public Consultation in Urban Regeneration was held on 24 November. The event was well attended. Two prominent UK speakers Mr. Steve McAdam and Mr. David Barrie provided examples of using public participation in planning and regeneration projects.

Harbour-front Enhancement Review – Wan Chai

HEC held a consolidation forum to share comments and proposals received during the public engagement activities with the public. <u>HBF submission</u> detailing our views on the outcomes of the forum can be seen on our website. Consolidation Forum summary <u>HEC Chinese</u> | <u>HBF English edit</u>

• Kai Tak Planning Review

The Stage 2 Public Participation of Kai Tak Planning Review has started with the release of Government's Outline Concept Plans. There have been a series of public forums and community's views are sought. Deadline for views at this stage are 6th January 2006. We encourage our members to submit their views and share them with us. Link | Public consultation digest download

• Legco

Legco Panel on <u>Planning Lands and Works</u> held a special meeting to discuss Tamar and land-use planning for Central Reclamation on 17 December. We were encouraged to see a number of our members have presented their views in addition to our <u>submission</u> last month. The panel passed a non-binding motion urging the government to review its proposals for Tamar and the Central harbour-front and to conduct a review with public consultation before taking further steps.

Links to submissions on Central to Legco: English | Chinese

News link: The Standard | 大公報



Upcoming Events

Legco

Legco Panel on Planning Lands and Works is discussing the recently released Outline Concept plans on Kai Tak Planning Review on the 20-December.

British Chamber of Commerce

HBF Chairman Mr. Andrew Long will be addressing the British Chamber of Commerce on HBF progress at a breakfast meeting on 11 January 2006.

HKGCC Harbour Roundtable Discussion 1

HBF and HKGCC will be holding a series of Roundtables on our Harbour starting 2006. The first roundtable will be held on 24th January 2006 on the status of Wan Chai Development Phase II. Invites will be issued in due course.

Date: 24 January 2006 12:30 - 14:30 Time:

Venue: HK General Chambers of Commerce, 22/F United Centre, 95 Queensway, Hong Kong

Presenter: Mr. Leung Kong Yui Observer/Commentator: Dr. Hung Wing Tat

Harbour Business Forum's 'My Harbour' Public Design Competition!

HBF is organising a public design competition from March - April 2006 to enhance people's awareness and interest in Victoria Harbour and its waterfront areas. Students and families will be encouraged to use their imagination and creativity to share their vision of a Victoria Harbour waterfront as drawing, painting or 3D models. We have appointed the Hong Kong Arts Centre to assist with the educational outreach to schools and institutions.

In order to make this a great success, we invite our members to lend their support in the following areas: Prizes [categories: Primary, Secondary and Open (adults and families)]. Promotion of competition (donations of media space, displaying of competition posters, distribution of leaflets, etc.)

Please contact us if you can help in any way!



Outreach

- Response from Michael Suen to our letters regarding Government's plans for Central received on 14 November. Download | (HBF original letters 1, 2)
- Submission to Legco Panel Planning Lands and Works regarding their discussion on the future of Tamar on 22nd November. Download

More correspondences in **Outreach** section of our website



Around the harbour...



This will be the last newsletter of 2005 from HBF. We wish all our members happy holidays and a happy new year!

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