

*Shaping a More Attractive  
Aberdeen Harbour :  
Balance and Blend*



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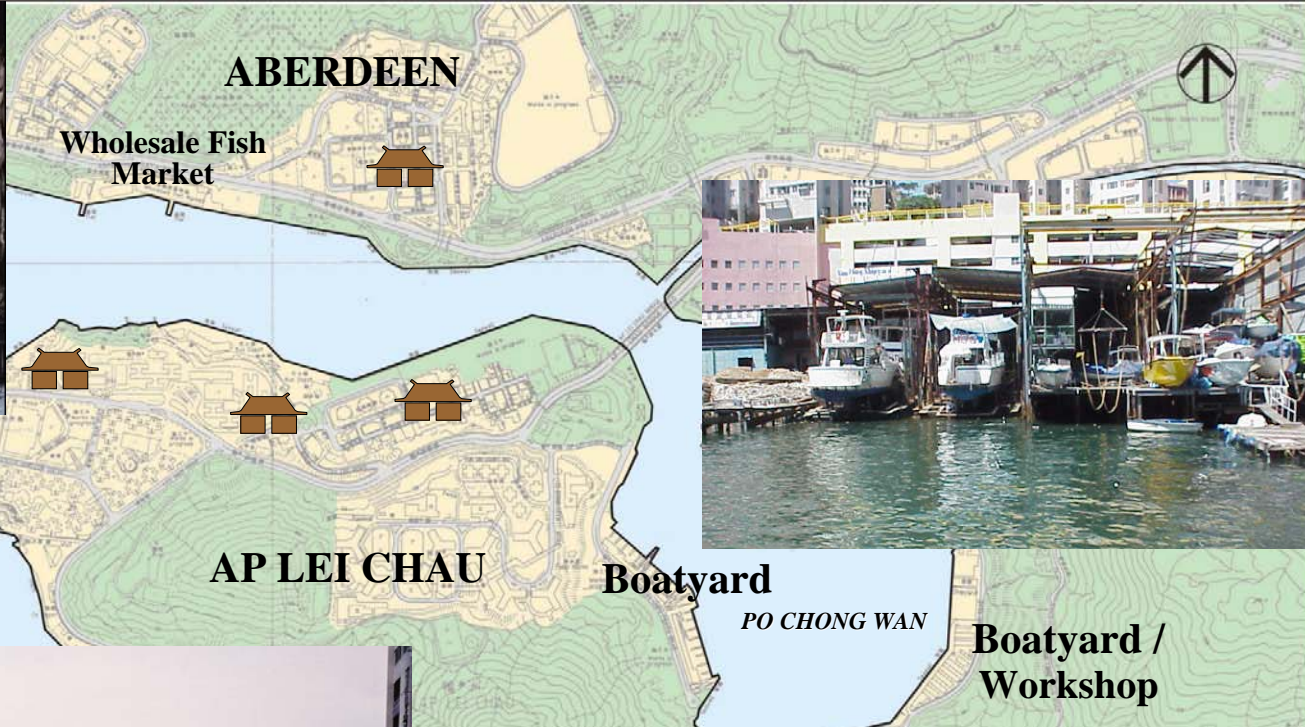
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# History

- Old fishing village
- Traditional boat dwellings (Tanka)
- Maritime heritage
- Rapid urbanisation since 60s'



# Aberdeen Harbour



# Tourism Development

- Unique character – attracts locals & tourists

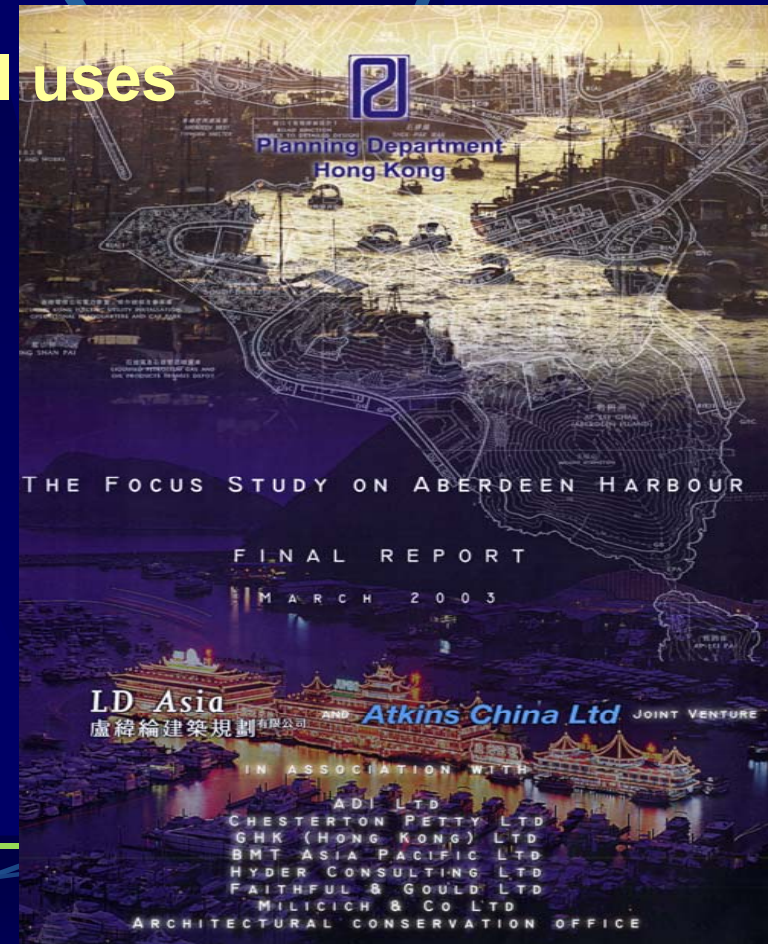


- Natural process with little government intervention
- Public expectation – to enhance the attractiveness & exploit development potential
- Call for more proactive planning

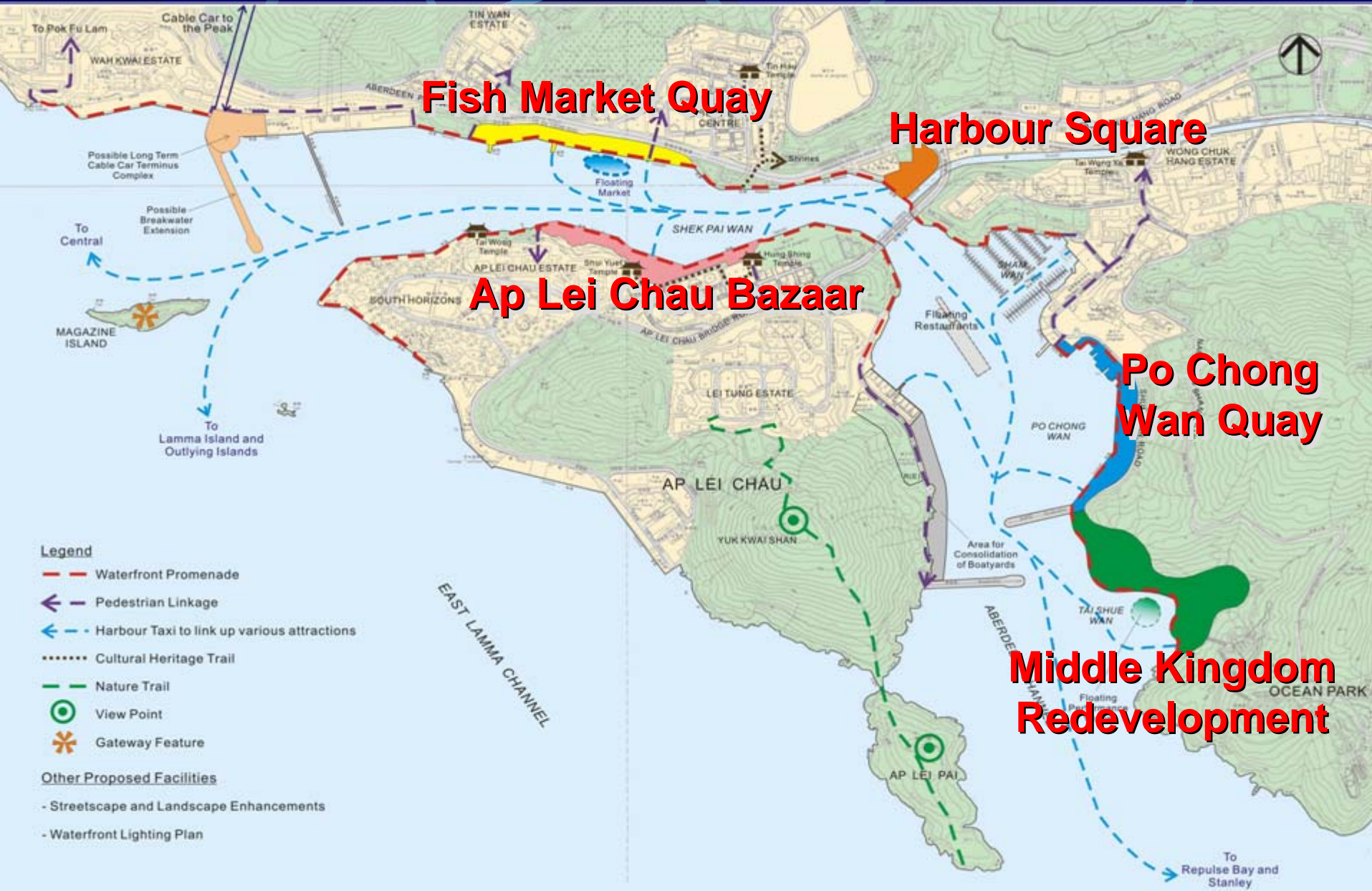


# Study on Aberdeen Harbour

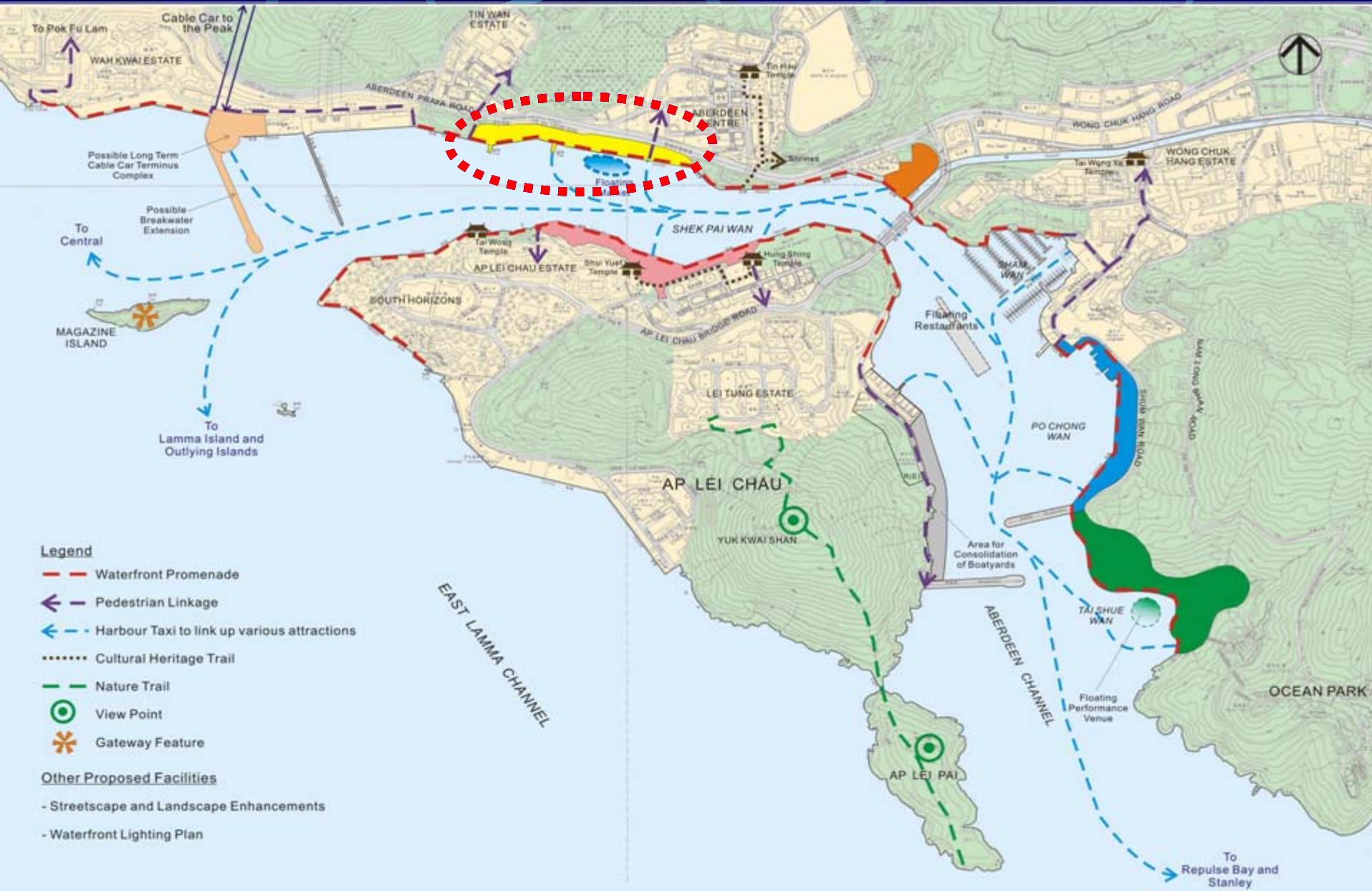
- March 2001 – March 2003
- Broad planning framework for Aberdeen Harbour
- Focus on tourism / recreational uses



# Proposed Planning Framework – 5 Piers

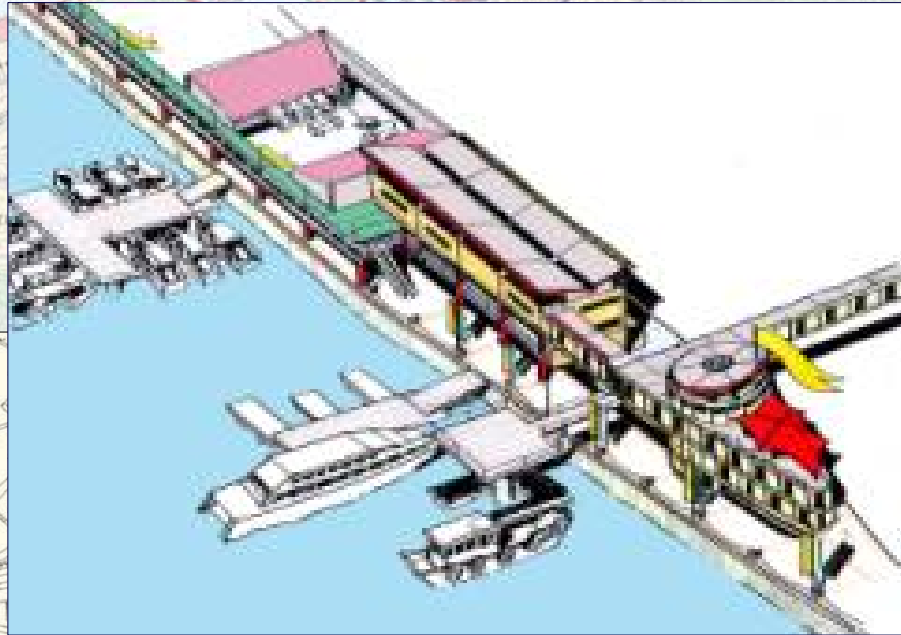


# Fish Market Quay



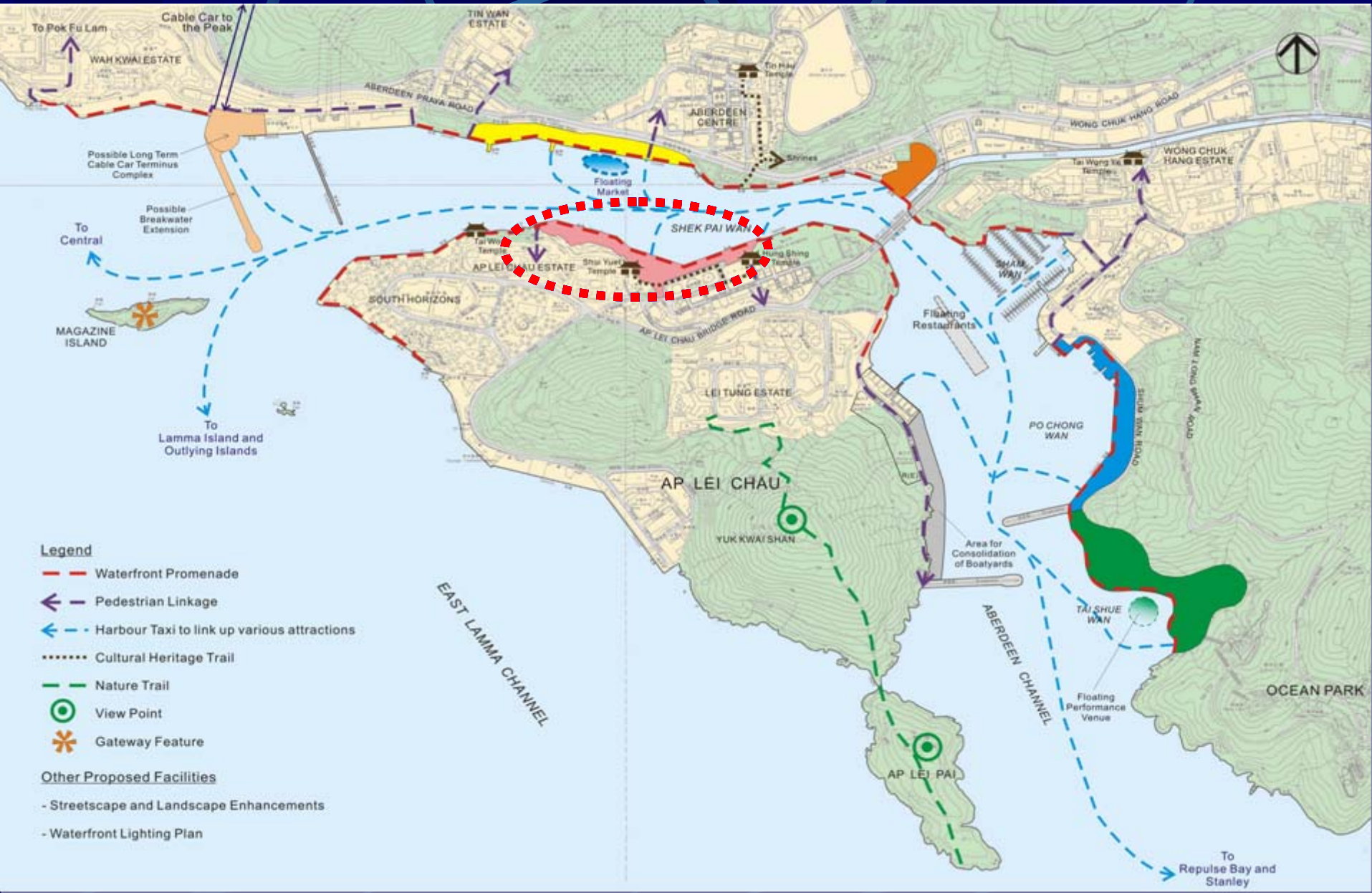
# Fish Market Quay

- **Fishermen's Wharf, Live Fish Market, Tourist Centre & Commercial elements**





# Ap Lei Chau Bazaar

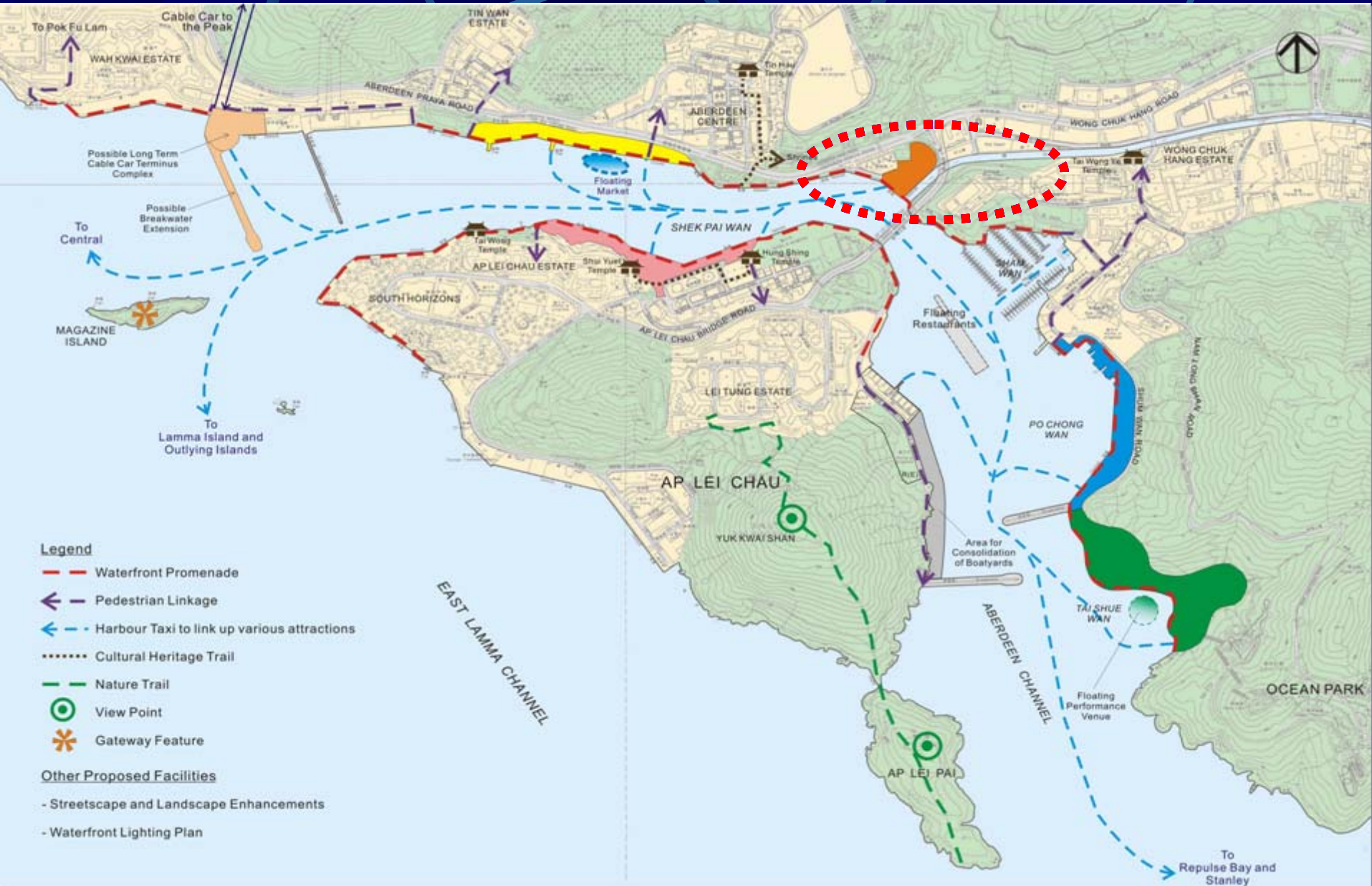


# Ap Lei Chau Bazaar

- Promenade
- Retail / Dining

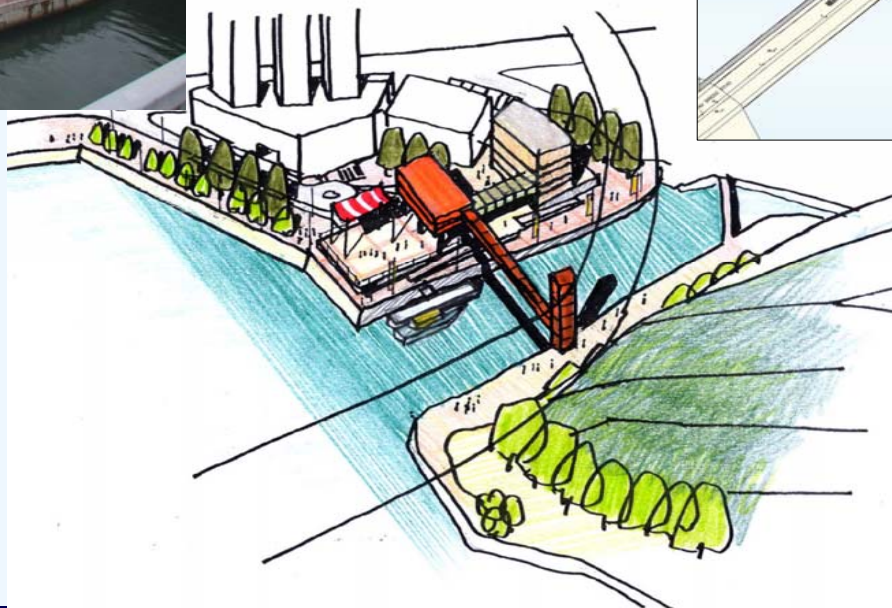


# Harbour Square



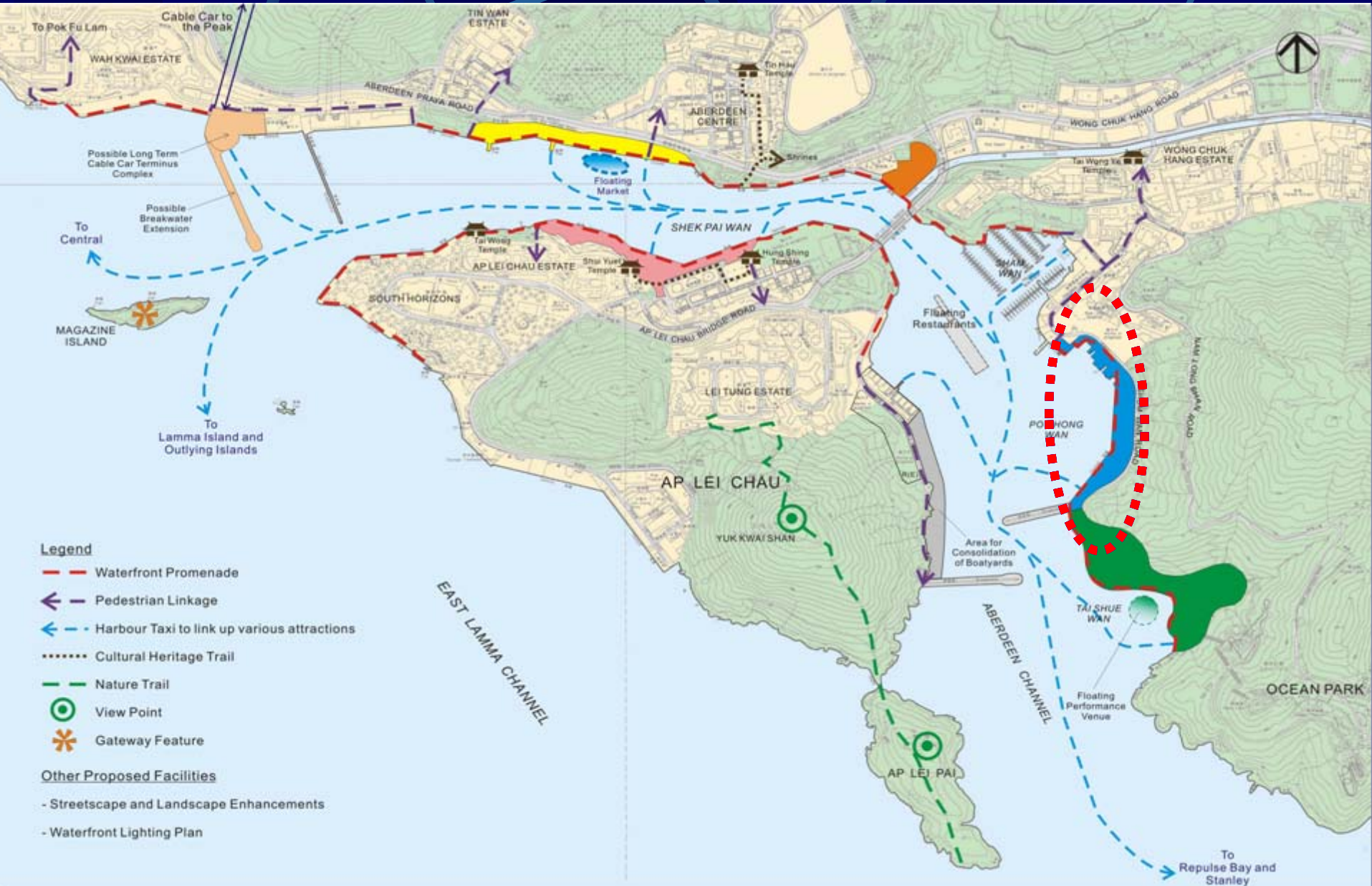
# Harbour Square

## • Civic Centre, Entertainment, Public Square



- Legend**
- Waterfront Promenade
  - ← Pedestrian Linkage
  - ← Harbour Taxi to link up various attractions
  - ..... Cultural Heritage Trail
  - Nature Trail
  - ⊙ View Point
  - ✱ Gateway Feature
- Other Proposed Facilities**
- Streetscape and Landscape Enhancements
  - Waterfront Lighting Plan

# Po Chong Wan Quay



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- **Boardwalk**
- **Retail / Dining**
- **Clearance of Boatyards**

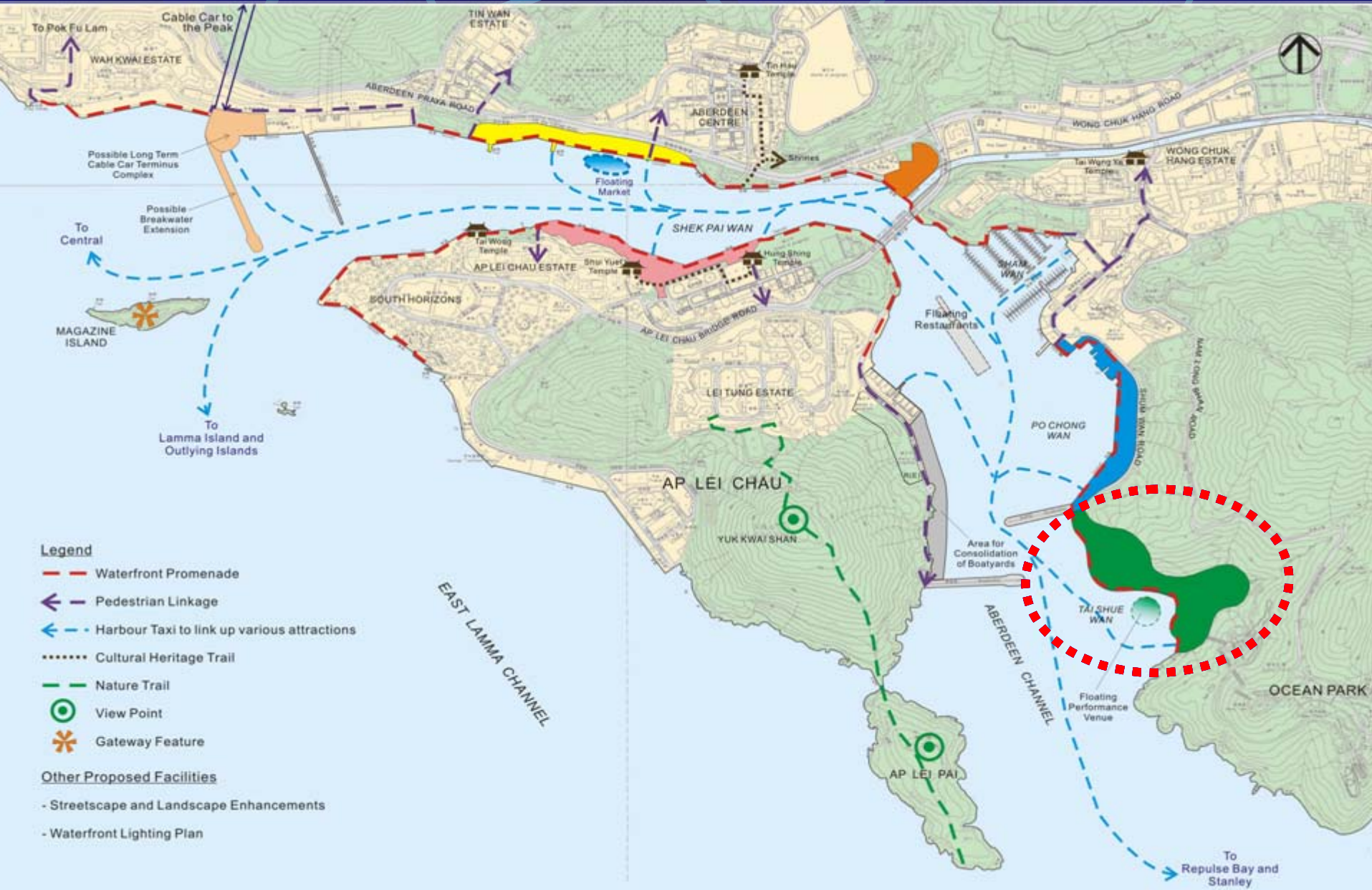


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# Middle Kingdom Redevelopment



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- Theme Park
- Hotel





# Planning Concept



- Transform Aberdeen- Tourist Hub
- New Developments & Redevelopments
- 90000 m<sup>2</sup> new floorspace – mainly commercial

# Linkage Proposals

- Cable Car to Peak (Long-term)



- Water Taxi



# Major Public Comments

## *Public consultation -*

- **Support** - new tourism development
- **Concern** - impacts on existing activities  
interface with Ocean Park redevelopment
- **Request** - preserve local character



# Review of Planning Framework

- Ocean Park's redevelopment ???
- Review when a firm redevelopment plan available
- Redevelopment announced in March 2005



the new ocean park



executive summary  
february 2005

... it's time

# Key Considerations



**Unique Local Character**



**Vibrancy & Attractiveness**



**Ocean Park's Redevelopment**

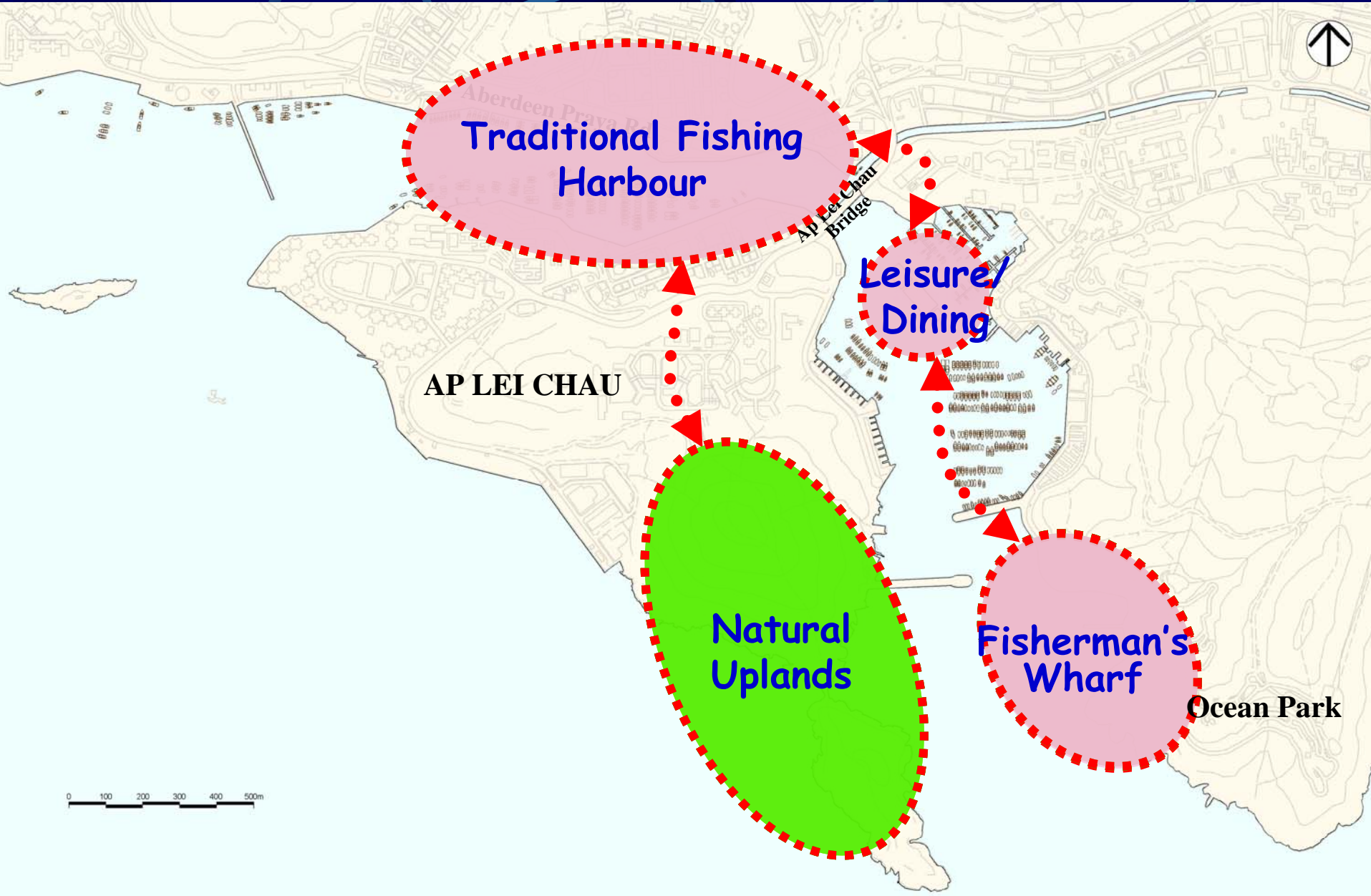


**Traffic Consideration**

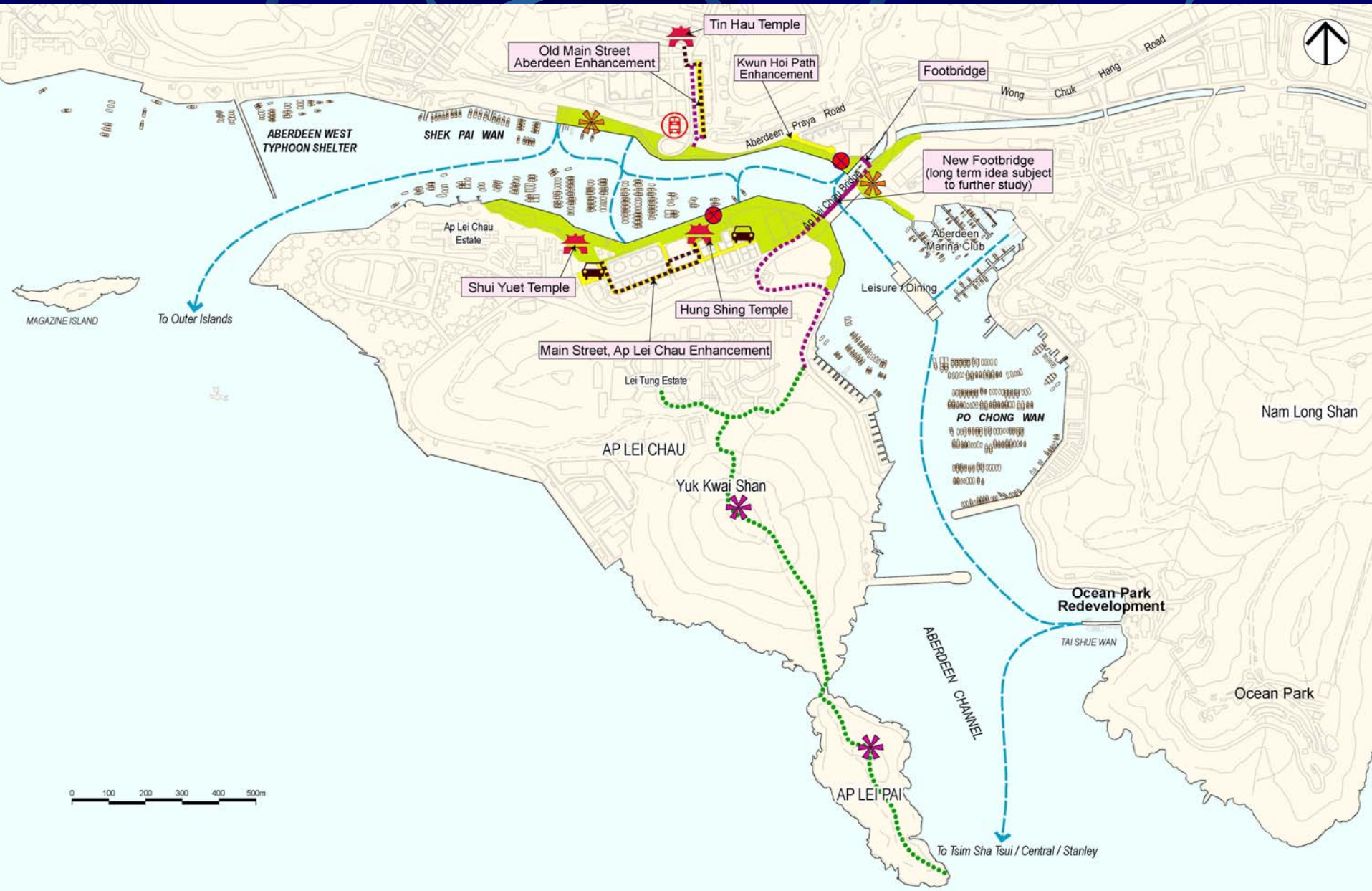
- **Minimize impacts on existing users**
- **Promote Sustainable Development**
- **Meet Aspirations of Different Stakeholders**



# Revised Planning Concept

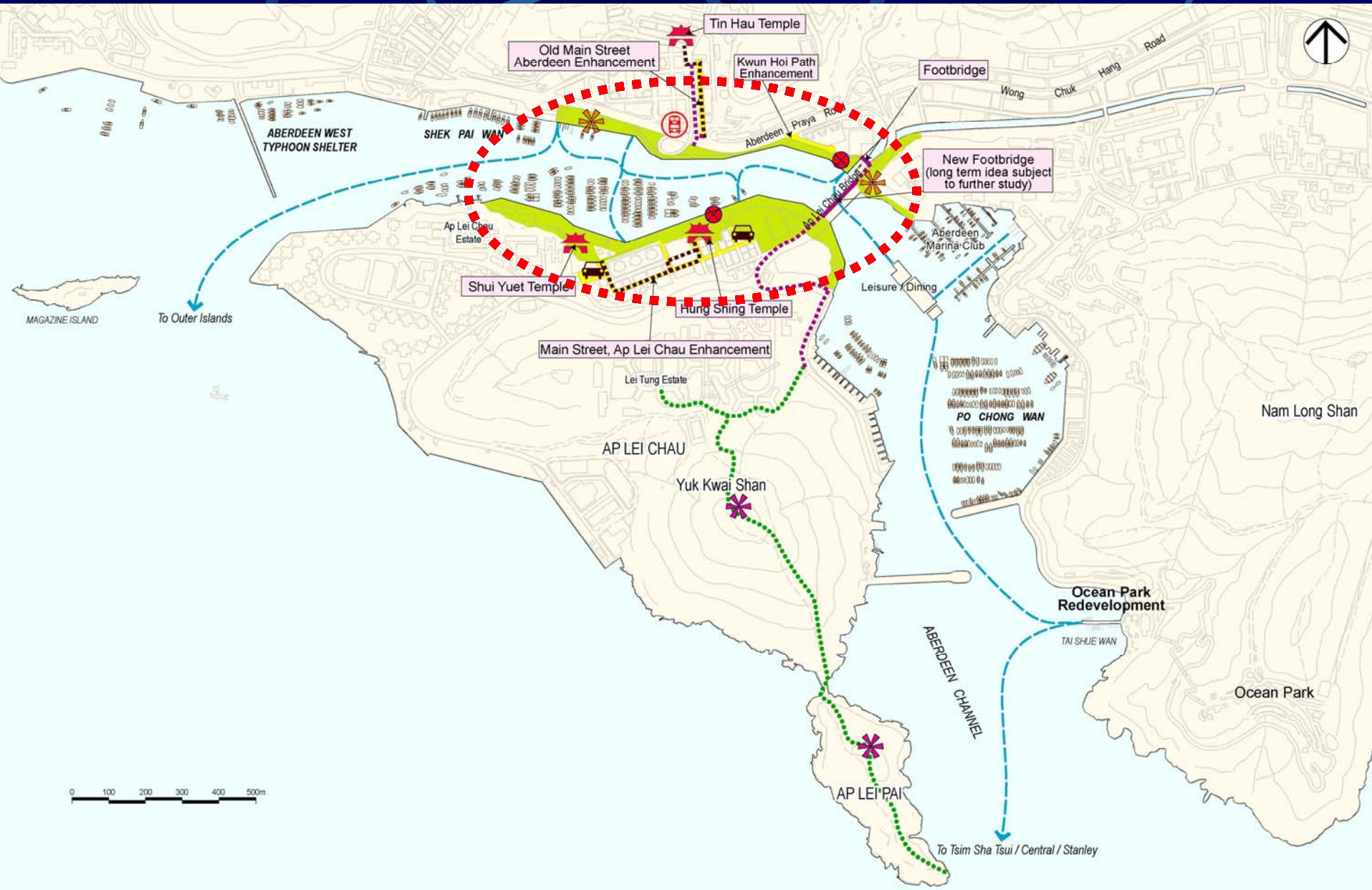


# Revised Planning Framework





# Traditional Fishing Harbour



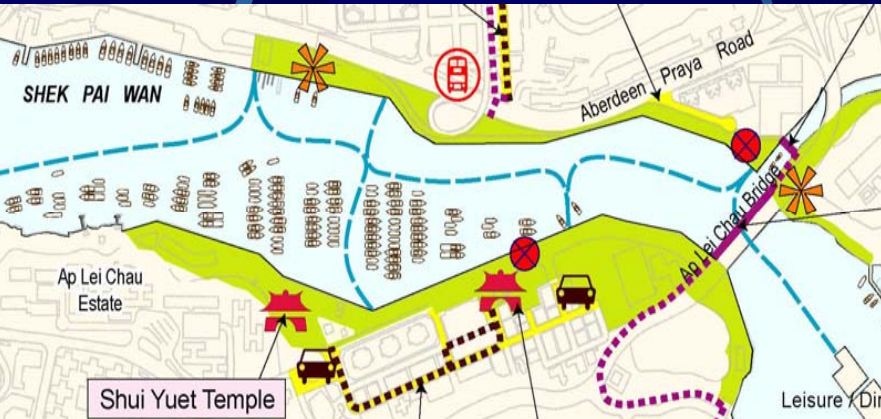
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- Preserve & enhance local character
- New building developments ✗



# Traditional Fishing Harbour

- Redevelopment of Fish Market
- Civic & entertainment
- Promenade Enhancement



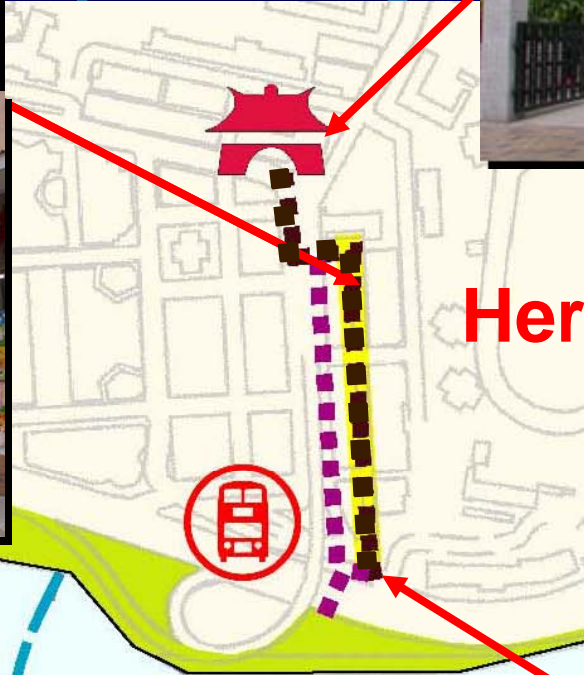
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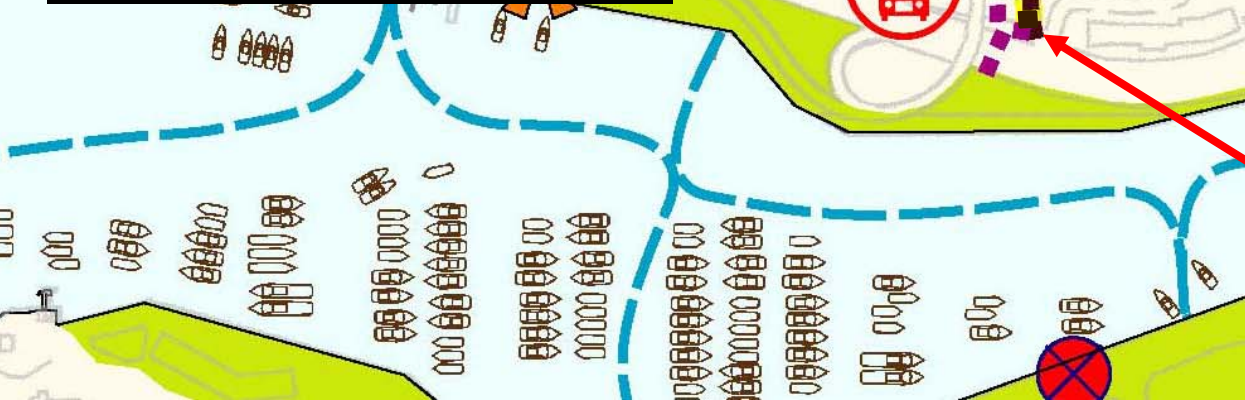
Tin Hau Temple



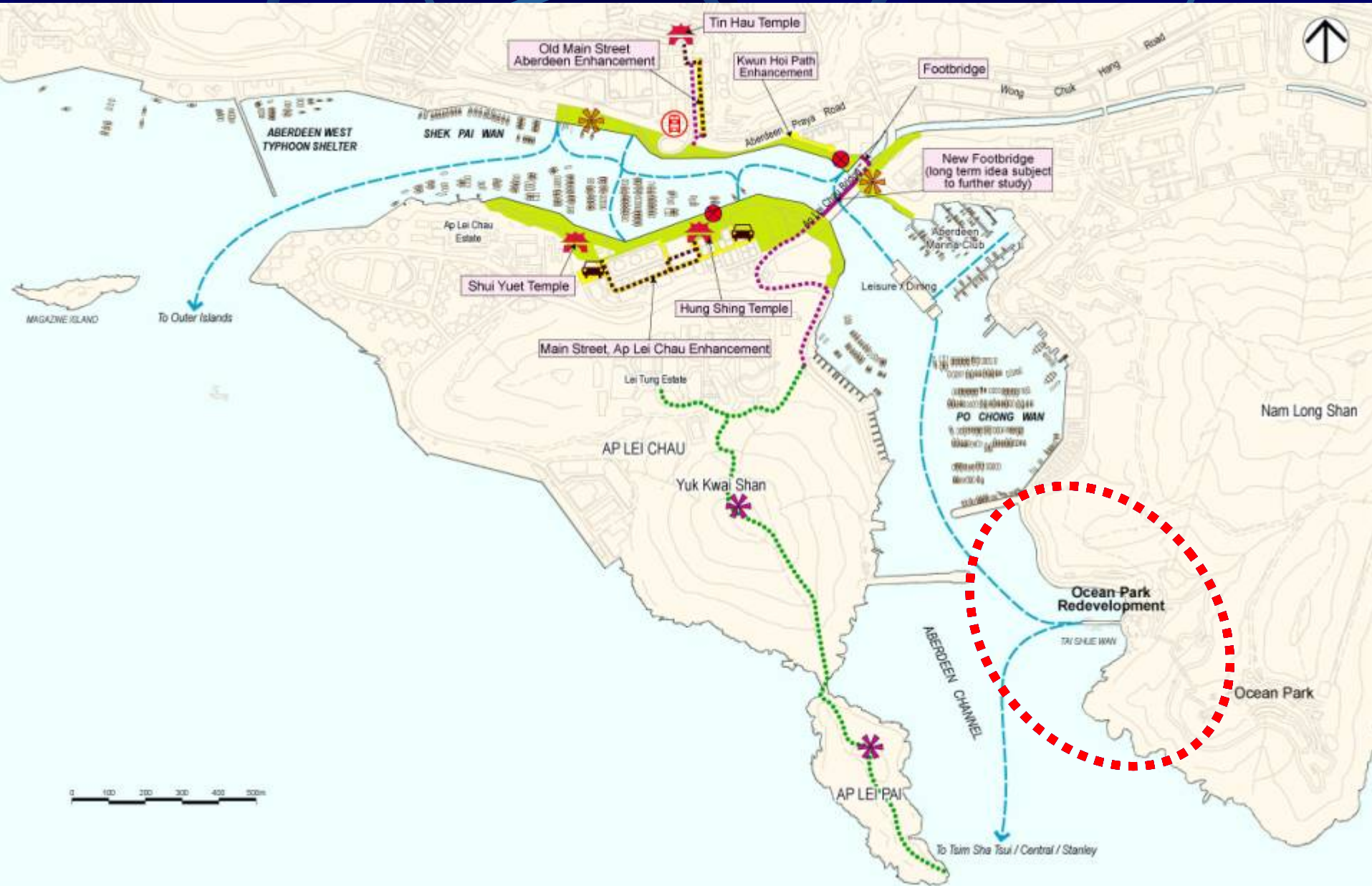
Old Main Street Aberdeen



Heritage Trail

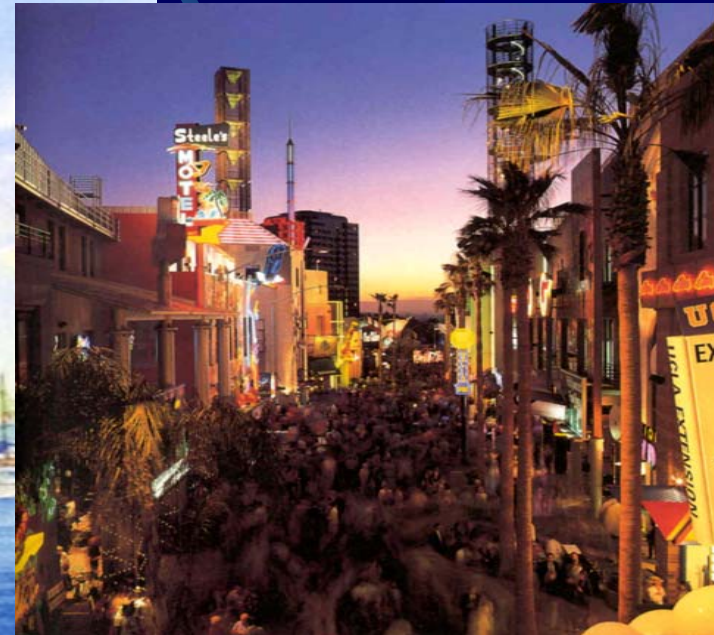


# Fisherman's Wharf



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- Modern & contemporary tourist attractions
- Clearance of boatyards **X**

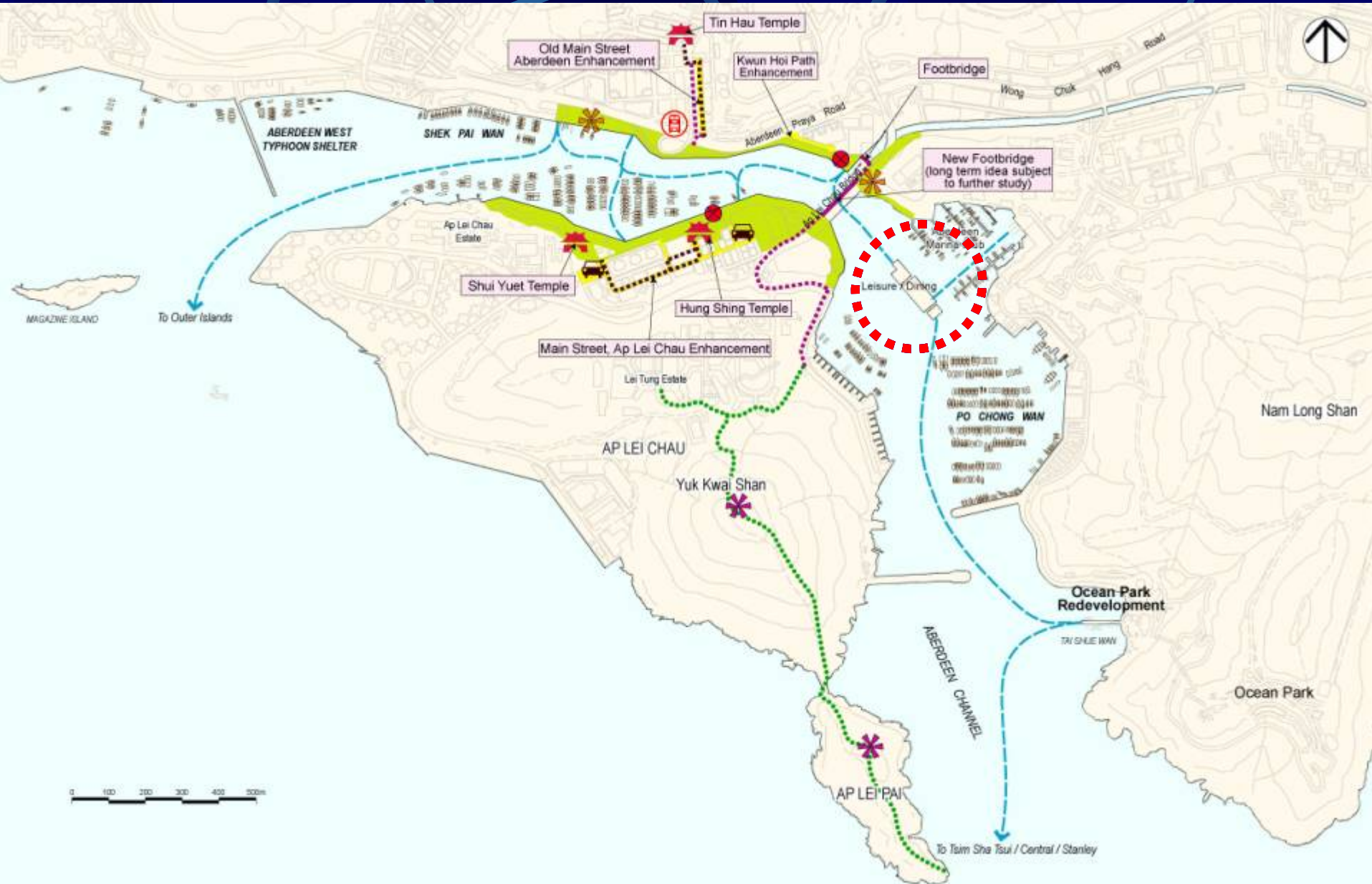


# Fisherman's Wharf

- Waterfront resort of international standard



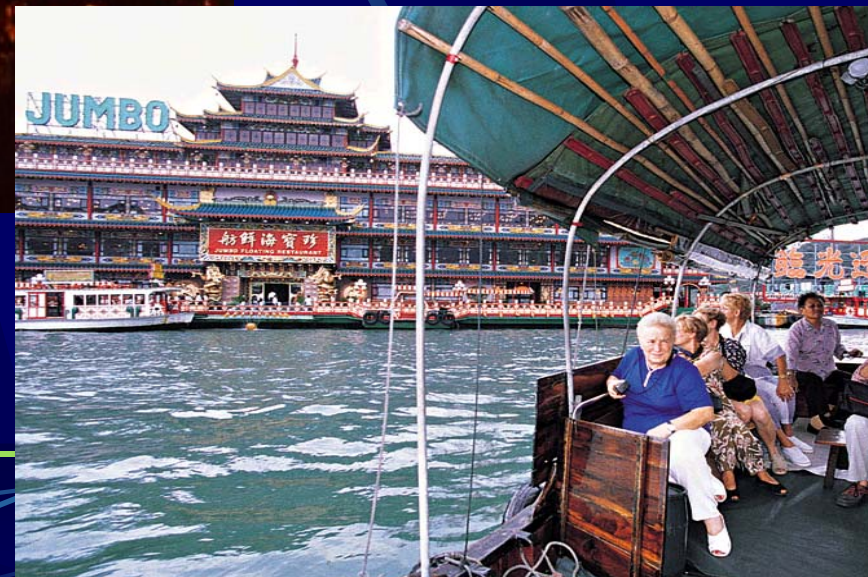
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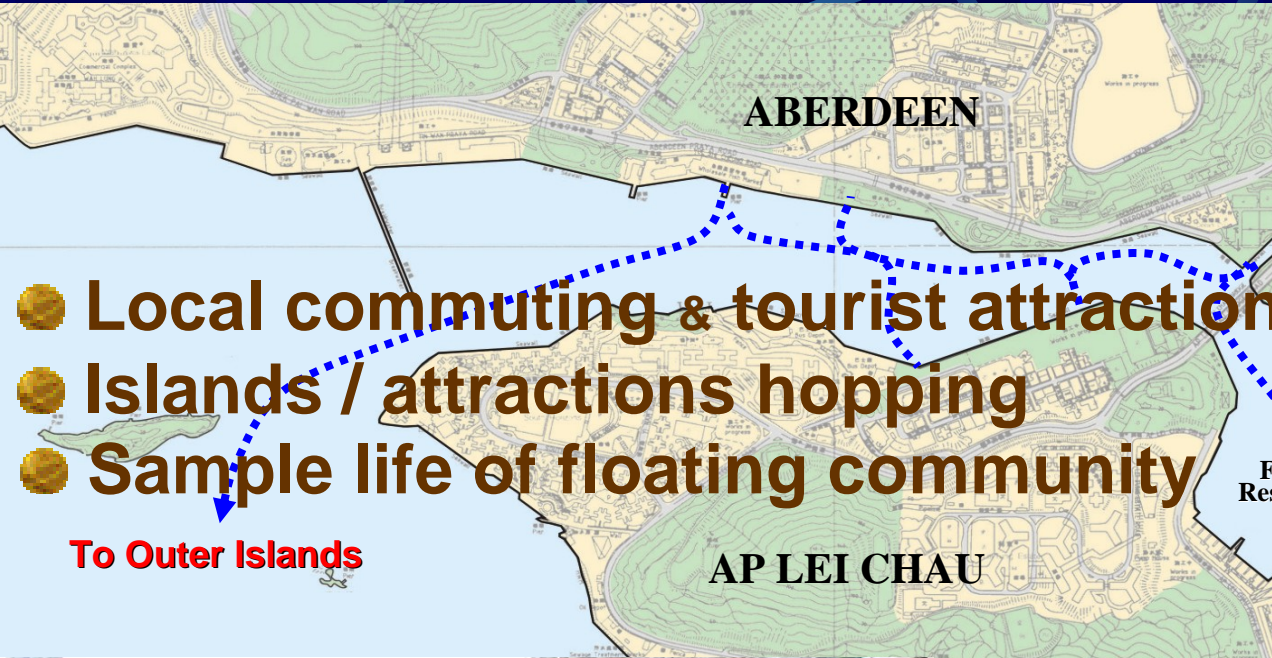


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- Landmark
- Link between tradition and modern



# Harbour Cruise

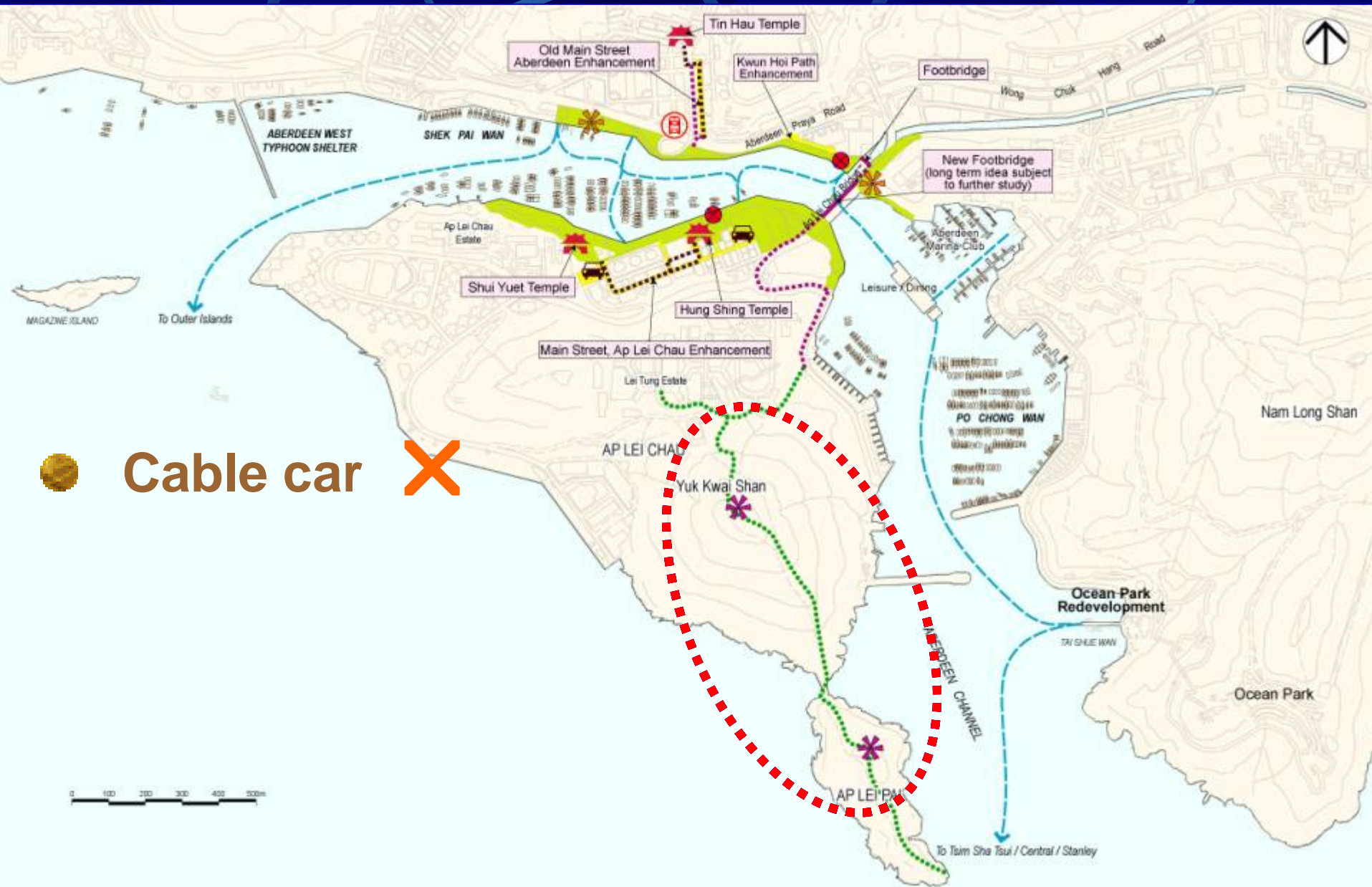


- Local commuting & tourist attraction
  - Islands / attractions hopping
  - Sample life of floating community
- To Outer Islands



To Tsim Sha Tsui /  
Central / Stanley

# Natural Uplands



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- Preserve natural environment
- Nature trail
- Vantage points



# Public Consultation

- **Tourism groups - April 2005**
- **Local Community - June – Sept 2005**
- **Generally supported the revised Planning Framework**



# Conclusion

Planning Challenge - to balance :

Private Initiatives



Government Involvement



# Conclusion

Planning Challenge - to balance :

New Job  
Opportunities

Existing  
Employment



# Conclusion

Planning Challenge - to balance :

Visitation



Transport





# Conclusion

Planning Challenge - to balance the needs :

**New, Creative Development**

**Natural Environment**

**Local, Indigenous Character**

*Not Just... balance  
.... a Congruous Blend*





**Thank you**

for visiting our Attractive  
Aberdeen Harbour !!!