

A faint, light blue background map of the Wan Chai area in Hong Kong, showing a dense grid of streets and building footprints. The map is centered behind the text.

# **Harbour Roundtable Discussion**

## **Wan Chai Development Phase II**

**24 January 2006**

# Wan Chai Development Phase II (WDII) Review



## **Government's Mission along Hong Kong Island north shore:**

- Complete the missing strategic road link and alleviate traffic congestion
- Improve public access to harbour and use of harbour-front by the public

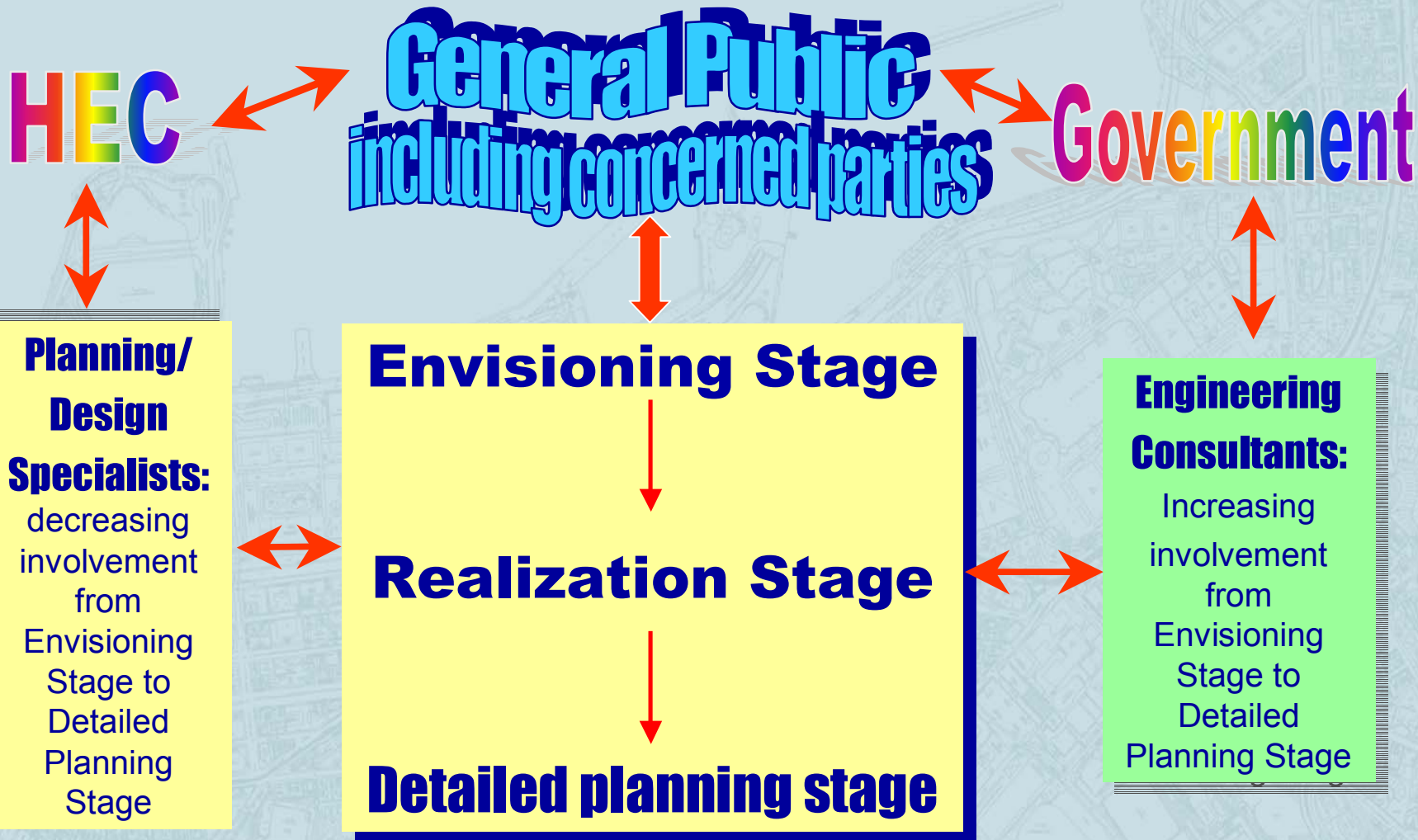
## **HEC's Recommendation:**

- Enhance public participation during the WDII Review
- Conduct Harbour-front Enhancement Review – Wan Chai, Causeway Bay and Adjoining Areas (HER) in parallel with WDII Review

## **Aim of HER:**

- To achieve a socially, environmentally and economically sustainable harbour-front in Wan Chai, Causeway Bay and the adjoining areas

# The Process



# *Envisioning Stage*

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- **Identify development opportunities and constraints at the harbour-front and engage the public to give visions, wishes and concepts on the kind of harbour-front they hope to have**
- **Formulate with the public a set of sustainability principles and indicators for evaluation of Concept Plans in the next stage**

# *Key Components of Envisioning Stage*

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- **Collaborators**
- **Information to Public**
- **Public Engagement Activities**
  - **5 Public Forums**
  - **2 Community Design Charrettes**
  - **Opinion Surveys**
    - **Telephone, Road-side and Self-administered questionnaires**
  - **Expert Panel Forum**
  - **Consolidation Forum**

# *Collaborators*

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**Collaborators representing different sectors of the public (District Councils, local/community groups, business groups, green groups, professional groups and academic institutions) :**

- reviewing the constraints and opportunities;**
- establishing preliminary sustainability principles and indicators;**
- promote public participation activities through their social network;**
- ensure a fair and transparent process; and**
- evaluate concept plans in Realization Stage**

# Information to Public

- Information uploaded to HEC's website
- Flyer, Public Engagement Kit, advertisement, exhibition panels, etc.





# *Public Forums & Community Charrettes*

## **Public forums**

- **to collect views and concerns of the public**
- **to establish a set of sustainability principles and indicators for evaluation of Concept Plans in Realization Stage**

## **Community Design Charrettes**

- **to assist participants to envision the future harbour-front**



# *Expert Panel Forum*

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- A thorough discussion among experts in the relevant field before embarking onto the Realization Stage
- To review and make recommendations on sustainable transport planning and Central-Wan Chai Bypass



# *Consolidation Forum*

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- Share with the public ideas and proposals received during Envisioning Stage
- Consolidate ideas and proposals



# *Outcome of Envisioning Stage*

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**Arrived at consensus on the followings:**

- **Minimizing the amount of reclamation**
- **Some land uses along the harbour-front (e.g. water sports, recreational activities at the ex-PWCA basin and maintain existing cultural heritage in the Causeway Typhoon Shelter, etc.)**
- **CWB to be built in a tunnel rather than at grade or elevated road**

**Retaining existing CBTS**

**Or .....**

**Limited Reclamation at  
Corners of CBTS**

**Developing a Marine  
Basin at PCWA**

**Making use of land  
formation along  
WC shoreline for  
harbourfront  
enhancement**

**Extending Victoria Park  
to the waterfront**



# ***Business Sector Participation***

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## **Proposals from business sectors**

- **Swire Properties Ltd.**
- **Hong Kong Regional Heliport Working Group**
- **Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre Atrium Extension**
- **Development at A-King Shipyard site**

# *Realization Stage*

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- **Develop concept plans taking into account views and comments received**
- **Invite public to make further comments on the concept plans**
- **Evaluate the concept plans based on the Sustainability Principles and Indicators derived during Envisioning Stage**
- **Arrive at consensus on development proposal**

# *Detailed Planning Stage*

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- **Prepare draft Outline Zoning Plan based on consensus reached at Realization Stage**



# *Keys for the Process*

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- **Time and resources demanding**
- **Programme control required**
- **Better reflects public's aspirations**
- **Opportunities for thorough understanding of issues**
- **The HEC Sub-committee acts as “facilitator”**
  - **time commitment**
  - **facilitating different views**



**Thank you**