Planning Brief for the Comprehensive Development Area in Diamond Hill

1. PURPOSE OF THE PLANNING BRIEF

- 1.1 The purpose of the Planning Brief (PB) is to set out the broad planning parameters and development requirements to facilitate the preparation of a Master Layout Plan (MLP) for the comprehensive development at the Comprehensive Development Area (the Site) in Diamond Hill.
- 1.2 The Site is zoned "Comprehensive Development Area" ("CDA") on the approved Tsz Wan Shan, Diamond Hill & San Po Kong Outline Zoning Plan No. S/K11/29 (the OZP) (**Plan 1**). Pursuant to section 4A(2) of the Town Planning Ordinance (the Ordinance) and according to the Notes of the OZP, the proposed development on land designated "CDA" was approved by the Town Planning Board (the Board) under planning application No. A/K11/223 on 27 May 2016.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Planning Brief for Diamond Hill CDA Site was endorsed by Metro Planning Committee of the Board on 17 July 2015 and the construction of the public housing development is underway. The Chief Executive in Council announced in the 2017 Policy Address on 11 October 2017 to substantially increase the supply of units under the Green Form Subsidised Home Ownership Scheme (GSH) for sale. The Housing Authority's Strategic Planning Committee made the decision on 11 January 2021 to convert the public rental housing development at Diamond Hill CDA Phase 2 to a GSH project for sale in 2021.
- 2.2 As the existing PRH tenants will be the target group of GSH and their eligibility criteria for allocation of PRH have been established, the prevailing standards of provision of ancillary facilities for the PRH would be maintained. As such, the amendments proposed to the Planning Brief will mainly reflect the changes in housing type from "Public Rental Housing (PRH)" to "Public Housing Development" and corresponding textual refinements, together with some other minor content updates.

3. Development Programme

3.1 The construction of Phase 1 of the public housing development commenced in mid-2016 for

- completion in 2021. The construction of Phase 2 and Phase 3 were also commenced in mid-2018 for completion in 2023 and 2022 respectively.
- 3.2 Funding required for implementation of the water feature park, landscape walk, footbridge and subway, road/junction improvement works and PTI has been approved by LegCo. The works are targeted for completion from 2022 to 2025, subject to site availability. The religious facility will be implemented by the respective religious institution and targeted completion is pending on its implementation programme.

4. DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SITE

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OZP Zoning	"CDA" - intended for comprehensive development/	The planning application
and Planning	redevelopment of the area for residential and/or	No. A/K11/223 for
Intention	commercial uses with the provision of open space and other supporting facilities. The zoning is to facilitate appropriate planning control over the development mix, scale, design and layout of development, taking account of various environmental, traffic, infrastructure and other constraints. A MLP should be prepared in accordance with the Town Planning Board (TPB) Guidelines on Submission of Master Layout Plan (TPB-PG No. 18A). The maximum gross floor area (GFA) permitted is 314,700 m², of which not more than 127,500 m² should be used for non-domestic purpose.	Submission of Master Layout Plan was approved by the TPB on 27 May 2016.
Proposed Use	Public housing development with commercial facilities, GIC facilities, a water feature park, a landscaped walk with cultural theme, religious facilities and a PTI.	Flexibility should be allowed to change the housing type to cater for demand change between Public Rental Housing (PRH) / Green Form Subsidised Home Ownership Scheme (GSH) and Other Subsidised Sale Flats (SSFs) subject to prorata adjustments to provision of ancillary facilities in accordance with the Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines (HKPSG).
Site Area	Gross site area of about 7.45 ha	Subject to verification upon

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	Net site area for public housing development of about 2.78 ha; public open space (POS) of about 1.66 ha (water feature park); landscaped walk with cultural theme of about 1.1 ha; religious use of about 0.8 ha; and PTI of about 0.79 ha (Plan 4).	setting out of site boundary. The net site area is subject to detailed design at the MLP submission stage.
Maximum Site Coverage	Not exceeding those stipulated in the Building (Planning) Regulations.	
Maximum Plot Ratio/Gross Floor Area	A maximum GFA of 217,910 m ² and maximum plot ratio (PR) of 7.84 for public housing development (including domestic and non-domestic). A maximum GFA of 25,000 m ² for the religious facilities.	PR for public housing development is subject to minor adjustment having regard to the refinement of the net site area and GFA at the detailed design stage and upon setting out of site boundary. Development parameters for the religious institution are
		subject to detailed design at the MLP submission stage.
Maximum Building Height (BH)	 120mPD - 140mPD (at main roof) for public housing development. 4 storeys excluding the basement for religious facilities. Not more than 3 storeys for the pavilion within the landscaped walk with cultural theme. 	Maximum BH of 140 mPD and 120mPD for the northern and southern portions of the proposed public housing development respectively. A stepped building height profile should be incorporated to
		minimize adverse air ventilation and visual impacts.
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Urban Design Considerations	The development scheme should take into account the following urban design considerations, where	Please also refer to visual aspect and air ventilation

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	appropriate:	aspect.
	 variation in building heights, in particular, stepped building height profile with a maximum building height of 140mPD and 120mPD for the northern and the southern portions for the public housing development respectively should be adopted within the Site; maximize gaps between domestic blocks to enhance visual and air permeability of the Site; 	In the MLP submission to the Board, the applicant is required to demonstrate that the development can comply with the Sustainable Building Design Guidelines promulgated in the Practice Notes for Authorized Persons, Registered
	 avoid large and extensive podium structures, sensitive treatment/articulation to the building façade and mass is encouraged; 	Structural Engineers and Registered Engineers (PNAP) APP-152 issued by the Building Authority.
	 provide high quality greening at the landscaped walk with cultural theme to minimize the visual impacts of the free-standing ventilation shafts associated with the SCL; 	The MLP should demonstrate the design integration of the proposed public housing development with the water feature park,
	■ creative building design of the pavilion along the landscaped walk with cultural theme is encouraged. Special regard should be paid to integrate the design of the landscaped walk with cultural theme with that of the railway station facilities/ventilation shafts exposed above ground to the north abutting Lung Cheung Road, and the future SCL Diamond Hill Station entrances at the ground level with a view to minimizing the visual impact. The design of landscaped walk should not affect the normal operation of the SCL Diamond Hill Station	station facilities/ ventilation shafts and building. The broad exterior design of the water feature park, landscaped walk with cultural theme, and pavilion should be indicated in the MLP.
	 ventilation shafts in liaison with MTRCL; improve streetscape and amenity with high quality paving, street furniture, lighting, tree planting and greening along the landscaped walk with cultural theme; and 	Regarding streetscape and amenity improvement, the project proponent should liaise with relevant government department(s) or other parties at an early

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	an urban design concept plan with brief description on the key urban design principles adopted in the development scheme, taking into account the Urban Design Guidelines in Chapters 4 and 11 of the Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines (HKPSG), should be provided in the MLP submission to the Board.	stage to sort out the management/maintenance responsibilities of these facilities.
Public Open	A water feature park of around 1.66 ha should be	The water feature park and
Space	provided in the western portion at-grade to enhance	the landscaped walk with
Provision	permeability and pedestrian accessibility, and in signifying the head of the Kai Tak River so as to enhance this portion of the Site as a recreational spot in the area. The three historic buildings/structures within the Site, namely the Old Pillbox, the Former Royal Air Force Hangar and the Stone House, are to be reinstated in forming an integrated development of the park. A landscaped walk with cultural theme of around 1.1 ha should be constructed along the northern portion of the Site linking the water feature park with the proposed religious facilities, largely covering areas above the SCL Diamond Hill Station. The POS of water feature park should be open from 06:00 hours to 23:00 hours to the public for enjoyment. Local open space of not less than 1 m² per person should be provided in the public housing development area of the Site to serve the residents of the proposed public housing development.	cultural theme should be coherently integrated with the layout of the development to enhance the vibrancy of the area. To enhance the accessibility of the open space from the existing residential developments, adequate road crossing facilities should be provided. The water feature park and the landscaped walk with cultural theme are to be funded by the Government. The applicant should coordinate and agree with Leisure and Cultural Services Department and other concerned government department(s) on the design and construction; and the future management and maintenance upon its completion.

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Landscape	A Landscape Master Plan (LMP) should be prepared	A tree survey report and a
and Tree	and submitted as part of the MLP submission and	tree preservation proposal
Preservation	with the incorporation of the following landscaping	was included in the LMP
	requirements:	submission under the
	• create a comprehensive landscape proposal to	planning application
	soften the building mass and integrate the	No. A/K11/223.
	existing trees as far as possible into the	
	development in order to minimize the adverse	Reference should be made to
	impact on the existing landscape character and	the requirements and
	resources;	procedures as stipulated in
		Development Bureau
	 due consideration should be given to preserve the 	Technical Circular (Works)
	existing good quality mature trees on the Site as	No. 7/2015: Tree
	far as possible;	Preservation.
	• greening opportunity should be optimized to	
	create a quality greening setting. An overall	
	target of 30% greenery based on the gross site	
	area for the public housing development	
	(excluding the greening part of the proposed	
	POS) shall be adopted, and a minimum of 3 trees	
	per 100 m ² of the total green coverage shall be	
	provided as far as possible;	
	provide at-grade amenity treatment (e.g. high	
	quality streetscape with roadside trees and street	
	furniture) to create a friendly environment with	
	a strong sense of place. For public housing	
	development, the at-grade and greening	
	requirements under the "Guiding Principles on	
	Green Coverage for Public Housing	
	Development" should be adopted;	
	• tree planting as landscape buffer should be	
	provided along the site boundary as far as	
	possible; and	
	• create a quality landscape setting for the	
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	greenery of the area.	
	The LMP should illustrate:	
	 conceptual and detailed landscape proposals including hard and soft landscape; 	
	 other amenities, street furniture and facilities to be provided; 	
	• the relationship of the development with the surroundings, especially with the POS at the western side of the Site; and	
	 layout, location and landscape design of open spaces including pedestrian circulation in relation to adjoining developments and areas. 	
GIC Facilities	Along the landscaped walk with cultural theme, a pavilion of not more than 3 storeys above the SCL Diamond Hill Station should be constructed.	The ventilation shafts of SCL Diamond Hill Station also serve as emergency access and maintenance access of the station. The applicant should liaise with MTRCL and the future management department/operator of the landscaped walk with cultural theme for accessing the facilities in all hours.
Education Facility	A nursery/kindergarten should be provided in accordance with Chapter 3 of the HKPSG and advice from Education Bureau. Eight classrooms are required based on the design population of the proposed public housing development. Adjustment to the provision would be made as appropriate should there be changes in the design population in the detailed design stage.	Education facilities will be regarded as non-domestic use and accountable for the calculation of non-domestic GFA.

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Religious	The eastern portion of the Site is reserved for	The proposed religious use
Religious Facilities	The eastern portion of the Site is reserved for religious use (about 0.8 ha). Through the proposed landscaped walk with cultural theme, Chi Lin Nunnery and the proposed religious facilities are connected to the proposed water feature park and Wong Tai Sin Temple to the further west to give a rich mix of cultural, religious and leisure facilities in the area.	can be developed into Confucius Temple. The religious facilities should be kept in low-rise structures (i.e. maximum BH of 4 storeys excluding basement) in order to preserve a visual corridor running through southwestward from Chi Lin Nunnery through Nan Lian Garden, the proposed GIC building at Sze Mei Street to the open space adjoining Rhythm Garden and further
Retail and Commercial Facilities	Retail facilities with a GFA of not less than 8,000 m ² should be provided to serve the future residents of the proposed public housing development as well as	off to Kai Tak. The proposed retail facilities should be provided by the applicant.
	 a market for wet and/or dry goods; and street shops to be set up along Choi Hung Road and facing the landscaped walk with cultural theme to enhance vibrancy and pedestrian connectivity of the area. 	All retail and commercial facilities will be regarded as non-domestic use and accountable for the calculation of non-domestic GFA.
Public Transport Facilities	A PTI should be provided at the eastern portion of the Site. The design and provision of the PTI facilities are subject to the agreement of the Commissioner for Transport (C for T) and relevant departments.	The proposed PTI is to reprovide the existing San Po Kong PTT at Sze Mei Street (Plan 4) to the south of the Site. A GIC building is proposed at the Sze Mei Street site, accommodating mainly social welfare facilities to serve the local

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		areas and the community at
		large.
		Subject to the final traffic
		impact assessment prepared
		by HD, additional public
		transport services serving the
		population from the Site may
		be required, and hence
		allowance should be made
		for the possibility of
		expanding the replacement
		PTT site to accommodate the
		additional public transport
		requirements, if any, for
		additional bus and green
		mini buses operations
		serving the Site. Otherwise,
		other public transport
		facilities should be provided
		in other areas of the Site to
		serve the additional
		population due to the
		development of the Site.
		The applicant should
		coordinate and agree with
		Transport Department (TD)
		and concerned government
		department(s) for the re-
		provisioning of the San Po
		Kong PTT; as the reprovided
		open-air PTI would still be a
		piece of unallocated
		government land and treated
		as public road, the
		management and
		maintenance responsibilities
		on public road should be

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		adopted.
		Reference should be made to
		Environmental Protection
		Department's Practice Note
		for Professional Persons for
		Control of Air Pollution in
		Semi-Confined Public
		Transport Interchange
		(ProPECC PN1/98),
		Transport Planning and
		Design Manual as well as
		HKPSG.
Dodostis	The pedestrian connection between the water	The applicant should
Pedestrian		The applicant should
Connection	feature park, landscaped walk with cultural theme, PTI, religious facilities, public housing	coordinate and agree with the concerned government
	development and its supporting facilities at the Site	departments/ parties on the
	and the adjoining developments should be addressed	responsibilities for the
	and indicated clearly in the MLP.	design, construction and
	and indicated elearly in the MEE.	future management and
	The future development should be connected to the	maintenance of the proposed
	surrounding areas, including Plaza Hollywood, Nan	pedestrian connection.
	Lian Garden, Choi Hung Road Playground, San Po	
	Kong Business Area, proposed GIC building at Sze	The applicant should liaise
	Mei Street, Rhythm Garden, Choi Hung Estate and	with MTRCL, TD and
	proposed PTI at the Site through footbridges, at-	Railway Development
	grade crossings or underground pedestrian link.	Office of Highways
	Major ones include:	Department regarding the
		proposed underground
	• underground pedestrian link to connect the	pedestrian link connecting
	SCL Diamond Hill Station across Choi Hung	the SCL Diamond Hill
	Road to the proposed GIC building at Sze Mei	Station across Choi Hung
	Street which connects to San Po Kong	Road to the proposed GIC
	Business Area and Rhythm Garden;	building at Sze Mei Street.
	footbridges connecting the Site across Lung	The provision of the
	Cheung Road to Plaza Hollywood and Nan	pedestrian connection
	Lian Garden; and	facilities should be subject to

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	• footbridge stems from the water feature park to the Kai Tak River section opposite to Choi Hung Road Playground.	the pedestrian connectivity study of the Traffic Impact Assessment (TIA).
Car Parking, Loading and Unloading Provision	Provision of ancillary car parking spaces and loading/unloading facilities in accordance with Chapter 8 of the HKPSG and subject to the TIA to be carried out.	Parking, loading and unloading bay provision for commercial, residential and GIC (including education and religious facilities) uses should be to the satisfaction of C for T.
Other Technical	T	
Environmental Aspect	An Environmental Assessment (EA) Study should be conducted to examine any possible environmental problems that may be caused to or by the proposed development during and after construction and the proposed mitigation measures to tackle them. The EA Study should be completed to the satisfaction of the Director of Environmental Protection (DEP) and submitted together with the MLP for consideration by the Board.	In the design and disposition of the building blocks, due regard should be given to protecting noise sensitive receivers, i.e. domestic blocks, through various measures such as setback and self-protective building design. Potential noise issues including road traffic noise, fixed plant noise (including noise from the SCL ventilation buildings), noise from the nearby land uses and the proposed PTI should be assessed in the EA Study. Besides, air quality and land contamination issues will be addressed in the EA Study.
Traffic and	A TIA should be conducted to the satisfaction of C	The TIA should include the
Transport	for T. The requirements and methodology of the TIA	assessment on pedestrian,
Aspects	are agreed with C for T before its commencement.	vehicular traffic and public

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	The applicant should coordinate and agree with relevant government departments on the design and implementation of the road/junction improvement measures/works proposed in the TIA to the satisfaction of C for T. The TIA should be submitted together with the MLP for consideration by the Board.	transport facilities during the construction stage and completion stage as well as reviewing the existing public transport facilities and services associated with the Site and recommend suitable public transport facilities and services associated with the new development. Arrangement on the integration of MTR Diamond Hill stations in terms of the existing KTL, proposed SCL and EKL should be considered.
Sewerage and Drainage Aspects	A Sewerage Impact Assessment (SIA) and a Drainage Impact Assessment (DIA) should be carried out to examine any possible sewerage and drainage problems that may be caused by the proposed development and the proposed mitigation measures to tackle them. The SIA and DIA should be completed to the satisfaction of the DEP and the Director of Drainage Services respectively, and submitted together with the MLP for consideration by the Board.	
Air Ventilation Aspect	An Air Ventilation Assessment (AVA) should be conducted and submitted as part of the MLP submission. Not less than 3 air paths along Choi Hung Road, Tai Yau Street and Sze Mei Street (Plan 4) should be preserved in order to maintain the local wind environment. Provision of additional air paths should be considered.	The AVA should be conducted in accordance with the Joint Housing, Planning and Lands Bureau and Environment, Transport and Works Bureau Technical Circular No. 1/06 on Air Ventilation Assessment.

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	Good design features and possible air ventilation	
	problem areas should be identified and effective	
	mitigation measures should be proposed to	
	minimize the possible adverse air ventilation	
	impacts within the Site and to the nearby areas.	
Visual Aspect	A Visual Impact Assessment (VIA) should be	The VIA should be
	carried out to examine any possible visual impacts	conducted in accordance
	that may be caused by the proposed development	with the Town Planning
	and suitable mitigation measures should be	Board Guidelines on
	proposed to tackle them. The VIA should be	Submission of VIA for
	submitted together with the MLP for consideration	Planning Applications to the
	by the Board.	Board (TPB PG-No.41).

5. IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAMME

- 5.1 An implementation programme is required as part of the MLP submission to indicate the construction programmes of the proposed comprehensive development including public housing development, water feature park, landscaped walk with cultural theme, PTI, relevant facilities and pedestrian walkways connecting the development.
- 5.2 Implementation of religious facilities is to be sought with relevant department/authority.

6. MASTER LAYOUT PLAN SUBMISSION

- 6.1 A MLP submitted to the Board for approval should contain all the information as required under the Notes of the OZP for the "CDA" zone and to clearly demonstrate that the requirements stated in this PB have been complied with. Relevant requirements for the submission of MLP are provided in the TPB PG-No. 18A Submission of MLP under Section 4A(2) of the Town Planning Ordinance. The MLP should indicate the following information:
 - (i) the area of the proposed land uses, the nature, position, dimensions, and heights of all buildings to be erected in the area;
 - (ii) the proposed total site area and gross floor area for various uses, total number of flats

- and flat size, where applicable;
- (iii) the details and extent of GIC and educational facilities, public transport facilities and open space to be provided within the area;
- (iv) the alignment, widths and levels of any roads proposed to be constructed within the area;
- (v) the LMP and an urban design concept plan within the area;
- (vi) programme of development in detail;
- (vii) an EA report to examine any possible environmental problems that may be caused to or by the proposed development during and after construction and the proposed mitigation measures to tackle them;
- (viii) a TIA report to examine any possible traffic problems that may be caused by the proposed development and the proposed mitigation measures to tackle them;
- (ix) a SIA report and a DIA report to examine any possible sewerage and drainage problems that may be caused by the proposed development and the proposed mitigation measures to tackle them;
- (x) an AVA report to examine any possible air ventilation problems that may be caused by the proposed development and the proposed mitigation measures to tackle them;
- (xi) a VIA report to examine any possible visual impacts that may be caused by the proposed development and the proposed mitigation measures to tackle them; and
- (xii) such other information as may be required by the Board.
- 6.2 The MLP should be supported by an explanatory statement which contains an adequate explanation of the development proposal, including such information as land tenure, relevant land allocation conditions, existing conditions of the site, the character of the site in relation to the surrounding areas, principles of layout design, major development parameters and open space facilities.
- 6.3 A copy of MLP, if approved by the Board, shall be deposited in the Land Registry and shall be made available for free public inspection in accordance with section 4A(3) of the Town Planning Ordinance.

7. ATTACHMENTS

Plan 1 Location Plan

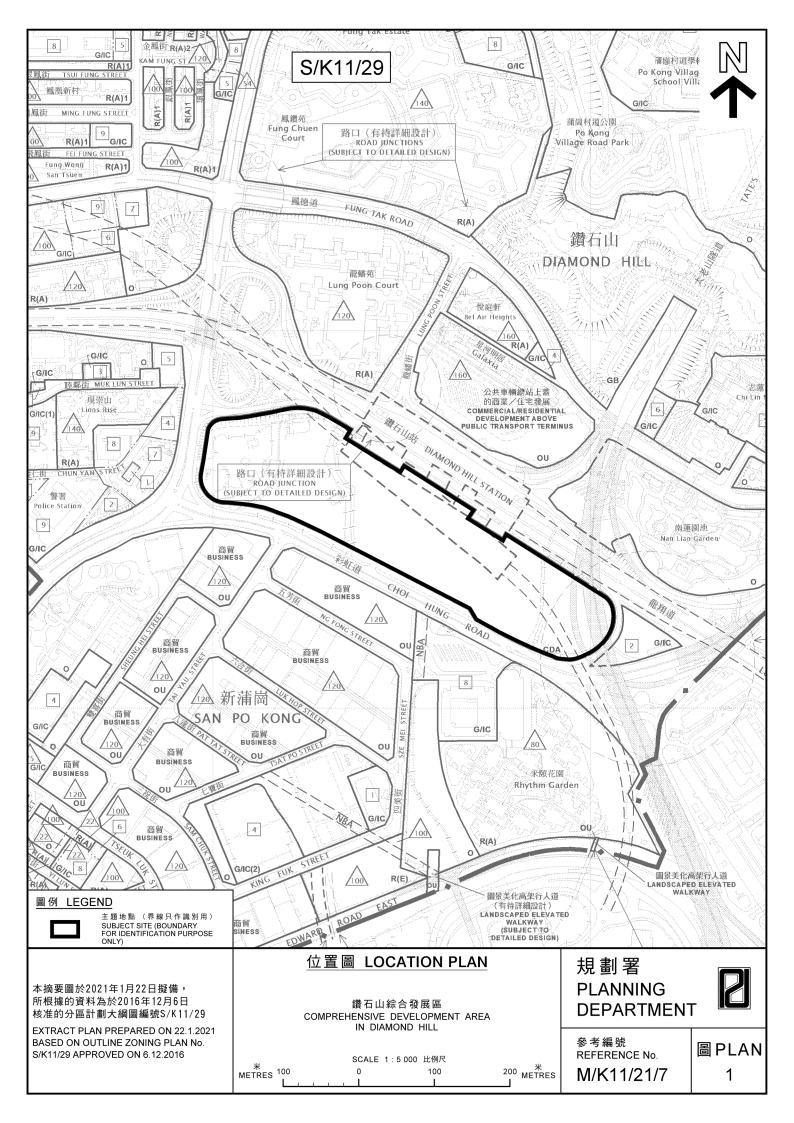
Plan 2 Site Plan

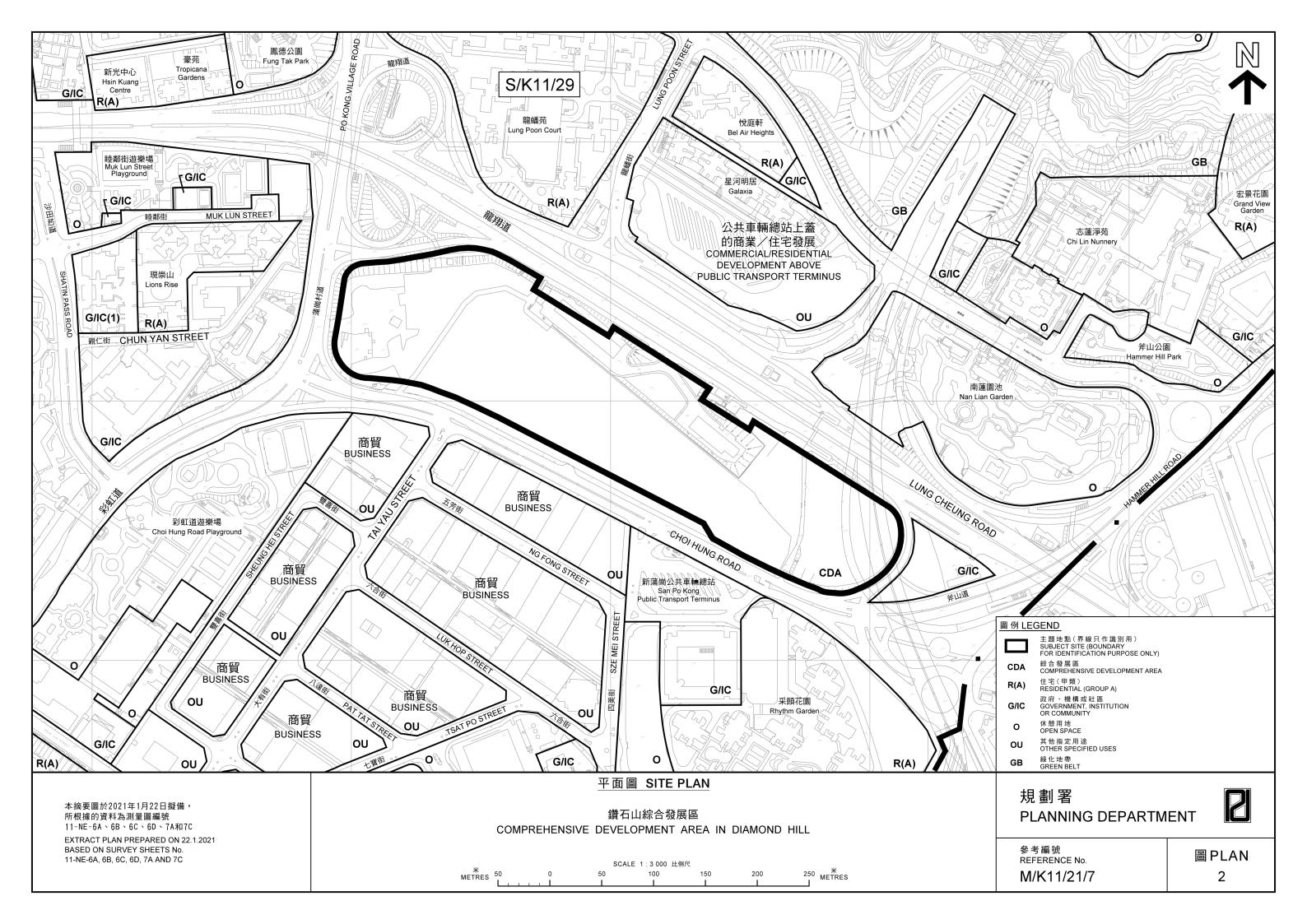
Plan 3 Aerial Photo

Plan 4 Development Concept Plan

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圖PLAN 3

