

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

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Head: 60 - Highways Department

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Programme: (1) Capital Projects

Controlling Officer: Director of Highways

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Transport and Housing

Question:

Regarding the investigation and preliminary design for the road works under Hiram's Highway Improvement Stage 2, will the Administration inform this Committee of the following:

- the progress of the investigation and the preliminary layout plan;
- the estimated cost of the project;
- the alignment of the project;
- whether the District Council and resident groups have been consulted; and
- the anticipated completion date of the project.

Asked by: Hon. WONG Kwok-kin

Reply:

We have commissioned a consultant to undertake an investigation study for Hiram's Highway Improvement Stage 2. The study includes formulation of various improvement schemes and construction options for engaging the public to give their views. We have convened two public forums in February 2008 and July 2008 respectively to collect public views on possible options. We have also briefed the Sai Kung District Council on progress on 7 September 2010 and 8 March 2011. We expect to complete the assessment of the improvement options in late 2011 and consult the Sai Kung District Council on the proposed improvement options thereafter. We will then proceed with the preliminary design of the final preferred improvement option, on the basis of which, project cost and implementation programme of the Stage 2 project will be devised.

Signature _____

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Post Title _____ Director of Highways

Date _____ 16.3.2011