Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2011-12

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION

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<u>Head</u>: 60 - Highways Department

(1) Capital Projects

Controlling Officer: Director of Highways

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Transport and Housing

Question:

Programme:

Regarding the investigation for Hiram's Highway Improvement Stage 2, please inform this Committee of the following:

Subhead (No. & title):

- a. the progress of the investigation as compared with last year (i.e. 2010-11);
- b. the estimated cost of the project;
- c. whether the District Council and resident groups will be consulted; and
- d. 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. In 2010-11, we have briefed the Sai Kung District Council on progress of the project on 7 September 2010 and 8 March 2011 respectively. We will continue with the investigation study in 2011-12 and will assess the various improvement options developed. 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.

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