

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (39) Drainage Services Department

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Programme: (2) Sewage Services

Controlling Officer: Director of Drainage Services (TONG Ka Hung, Edwin)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for the Environment

Question:

In 2018-19, the Drainage Services Department will commence construction works for rehabilitation of trunk sewers in Kowloon, Sha Tin, Sai Kung and Tuen Mun. In this connection, please advise:

1. regarding the works to be conducted in the above four areas for the rehabilitation of trunk sewers, the respective key locations and road sections, length of sewers, numbers of nearby housing estates and residents that may be affected, expected commencement and completion dates as well as cost of the works;
2. the measures to be taken by the Department to reduce the potential impacts on the nearby residents caused by the works, as well as the details and cost of each measure.

Asked by: Hon YUNG Hoi-yan (Member Question No. (LegCo use): 69)

Reply:

According to Rule 49 of the Finance Committee Procedures, special meetings of the Finance Committee are convened to examine the annual Estimates of Expenditure prepared by the Government in support of the Appropriation Bill. Expenditure charged to the Capital Works Reserve Fund does **not** form part of the Appropriation Bill. As such, questions relating to expenditure under the Fund are **not** relevant to the examination of the Estimates of Expenditure or the Appropriation Bill.

The information sought is provided as follows:

1. In 2018-19, the Drainage Services Department (DSD) will commence construction works for rehabilitation of trunk sewers in Kowloon, Sha Tin, Sai Kung and Tuen Mun, the details of which are as follows:

Works projects	Rehabilitation of trunk sewers in Kowloon, Sha Tin and Sai Kung				Rehabilitation of trunk sewers in Tuen Mun
Locations involved	Ngau Chi Wan	To Kwa Wan	Sha Tin	Sai Kung	Tuen Mun
Road sections involved	Lung Cheung Road	Kwei Chow Street, Yuk Yat Street, Sung On Street, Bailey Street and Sung Ping Street	Yuen Wo Road	Underwater outside Sai Kung Hoi Pong Street	Lung Mun Road, Tin Hau Road and underneath Tuen Mun River
Lengths of sewers	About 400 metres	About 1 kilometre	About 50 metres	About 200 metres	About 4.5 kilometres
Nearby housing estates	Choi Hung Estate and Ping Shek Estate, etc.	Wyer Gardens, Sunrise Villa and Bailey Garden, etc.	Wo Che Estate, etc.	Tui Min Hoi Chuen and Lakeside Garden, etc.	Lung Mun Oasis, Glorious Garden, Sun Tuen Mun Centre, Siu Shan Court, Butterfly Estate and Melody Garden, etc.
Commencement	January 2018				Fourth quarter of 2018
Expected completion dates	First quarter of 2022				First quarter of 2023
Costs of works	\$678.5 million				\$806.6 million

2. During the course of these works, the daily sewerage services will not be affected while trenchless techniques will be used in the rehabilitation works when appropriate to reduce the inconvenience caused to the public. Traffic mitigation measures (including temporary traffic management) and environmental mitigation measures (including the use of silenced construction equipment and temporary noise barriers to reduce noise impact as well as water-spraying on sites to minimise emission of fugitive dust, etc.) will also be implemented. These mitigation measures are construction requirements of the works contract, but not additional measures. Therefore, DSD is unable to provide a breakdown of the expenditure.

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