Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2013-14

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<u>Head:</u> 39 – Drainage Services Department <u>Subhead (No. & title):</u>

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Question:

(1) Please advise on the current work progress of the review studies of the drainage master plans for Kowloon, as well as the details of the estimated expenditure involved for 2013-14;

(2) Please list all flooding blackspots in Kowloon and advise on the details of the resources allocation plan to improve these blackspots.

Asked by: Hon. WONG Kwok-hing

Reply:

- (1) There are two ongoing drainage master plan review studies in Kowloon, one for West Kowloon and the other for East Kowloon. Both studies commenced in January 2012 for completion by end 2014. Surveys to investigate the existing conditions of the drainage system have been completed and the hydraulic models are being updated. The total estimated expenditure of the two studies in 2013-14 is about \$4.3 million.
- (2) There is one flooding blackspot in Kowloon which is located at Chatham Road South between Granville Road and Austin Avenue. Drainage improvement works under PWP Item No. 4134CD "Drainage improvement in East Kowloon Package A" involving the construction of stormwater drains and gullies along Chatham Road South completed in August 2010 has partially alleviated the flooding problem. Further drainage improvement works for this flooding blackspot are under planning. The drainage master plan review study for East Kowloon will investigate and recommend a comprehensive solution to tackle the flooding problem at this location.

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