

Landscape and Visual (L&V) Monitoring Report for Harbour Area Treatment Scheme Stage 2A (Operational Phase) (May 2022)

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1. Introduction

1.1. Background

- 1.1.1. Bestwise Sun Fook Kong Joint Venture (the Contractors) appointed 3NV Technology Limited (3NV) to undertake the Landscape and Visual Monitoring for the Operational Phase of the "Enhancement of Deodourisation System at Stonecutters Island Sewage Treatment Works" (hereafter referred to as "the Project").
- 1.1.2. The Project is part of the Harbour Area Treatment Scheme (HATS) Stage 2A. According to Environmental Permit No. EP-322/2008/G issued on 9th May 2014 by the Environmental Protection Department (hereinafter called EPD) to the Drainage Services Department (hereinafter called the DSD) as the Permit Holder and the EM&A Manual for the HATS Stage 2A, all landscape and visual mitigation measures shall be monitored monthly on-site during the first year of the Operational Phase at 8 preliminary treatment works (PTW) and the Stonecutters Island Sewage Treatment Works (SCISTW).

1.2. Objectives

1.2.1. The objective is to monitor and audit the contractor's landscape works, in particular, to ensure the existing trees retained on-site are being well preserved, tree transplanting and felling operations are being undertaken in accordance with the requirements, procedures, and specifications as stipulated in the contract and the approvals granted by concerned authorities, and all the newly planted vegetations are being maintained properly during the establishment period.

2. Landscape and Visual (L&V)

2.1. Monitoring Requirement

Under the EM&A Manual, Landscape and Visual Monitoring audit should be undertaken during the first year of the Operational Phase to ensure and check that the implementation and maintenance of landscape and visual mitigation measures are carried out by a Registered Landscape Architect (RLA).

2.2. Monitoring Frequency

2.2.1. Site inspections should be undertaken once every month through the first year of the Operational Phase.



2.3. Monitoring Locations

2.3.1. Under this Project, there are 8 PTW and SCISTW that should be monitored. The details of the monitoring location are summarized in **Table 1.1**.

Table 1.1 L&V Monitoring Locations

No.	Description				
1	North Point PTW				
2	Wan Chai East PTW				
3	Central PTW				
4	Sandy Bay PTW				
5	Cyberport PTW				
6	Wah Fu PTW				
7	Aberdeen PTW				
8	Ap Lei Chau PTW				
9	Stonecutter Island PTW				

2.4. Monitoring Methodology

2.4.1. A Registered Landscape Architect is employed to monitor and audit the contractor's landscape works, in particular, to ensure the existing trees retained on-site are being well preserved, tree transplanting and felling operations are being undertaken in accordance with the requirements, procedures, and specifications as stipulated in the contract and the approvals granted by concerned authorities, and all the newly planted vegetations are being maintained properly during the establishment period by complete a checklist.



3. L&V Monitoring Result

3.1. Inspection Result

3.1.1. No visible irregularities were found. The completed checklist is shown in **Appendix A**.

3.2. Result Discussion

3.2.1. Generally, all L&V mitigation measures listed in EM&A were applied at 8 PTWs and SCISTW. **Table 3.1** summarized the reminders of the 8 PTWs and SCISTW.

Table 3.1 Summary of Reminders for the 8 PTWs and SCISTW

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Monitoring Location	Reminders			
North Point PTW	1. Carry out proper maintenance to plantings			
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	1. Carry out proper maintenance to plantings			
Wan Chai East PTW	2. Provide adequate protection to trees adjacent			
	to works area			
Central PTW	1. Carry out proper maintenance to plantings			
	1. Carry out proper maintenance to plantings			
	2. Increase the frequency of watering			
Sandy Bay PTW	3. Continuous monitoring of the tree condition			
	(such as trees at inner side with leaves			
	shredded or foliage's colour turns yellow)			
	1. Carry out proper maintenance to plantings			
Cyberport PTW	2. Increase the frequency of watering			
	3. Increase the maintenance of pot plants			
Wah Fu PTW	1. Carry out proper maintenance to plantings			
vvaii i a r i vv	2. Increase the frequency of watering			
	1. Carry out proper maintenance to plantings			
	2. Increase the frequency of watering			
	3. Closely monitor the conditions of the pruned			
Aberdeen PTW	trees			
	4. Review if pruning is required for tree with			
	branches span over driveway by the			
	maintenance party			

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An Loi Chau DTW	Carry out proper maintenance to plantings
Ap Lei Chau PTW	2. Increase the frequency of watering
	1. Close monitoring or tree risk assessment may
Stonecutter Island	be required especially for trees T110 & T109
PTW	2. Review the situation and to remove the trees by
	the maintenance party to reduce the safety risk

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Appendix A

L&V Checklist



<u>Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment Checklist for Site Audit – North Point PTW</u>

Inspection Date: 18 May, 2022 Weather: Sunny/Fine/Cloudy / Rainy
Time: 10:30 am Wind: Strong/Breeze/Light/Calm

Item	Description	Yes	No	N/A	Actions / Remarks
1	Aesthetic design of the façade of PTW and associated structures to harmonize with the surrounding settings				
1.1	Is the aesthetic design match the surrounding environment?	√			
1.2	Are the buildings maintained properly that do not cause any visual impact?	✓			
2	Shrub and Climbing Plants to soften proposed structures / Roof Greening / Vertical Greening				
2.1	Is the roof greening maintained properly?			✓	
2.2	Is the vertical greening maintained properly?			√	
2.3	Are the Shrub and Climbing Plants free from sign of deterioration of health?	√			
3	Buffer Tree and Shrub Planting to screen proposed associated structures				
3.1	Are the health of those buffer trees and shrub plantings generally in order?	√			
3.2	Is all new planting maintained properly to ensure further establishment?	√			
4	Reinstatement of disturbed area				
4.1	Are the compensated planting covered the disturbed area?			✓	
5	Others				
5.1	Are existing trees retained on-site are being well preserved?	√			
5.2	Are newly planted vegetations are being generally maintained during the establishment period (12 months)?	_			



Follow up action taken by Contractor for previous comments:

- No visible irregularities were found

The contractor was reminded to rectify the following:

- N/A

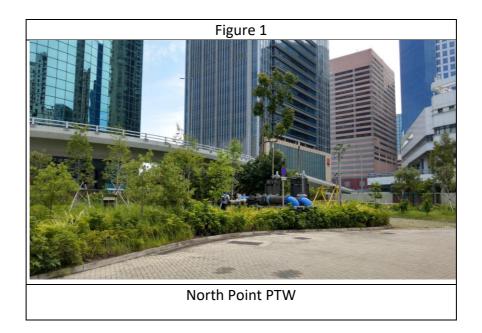
New Observation:

- N/A

Reminders:

 Contractor was reminded to carry out proper maintenance to plantings and was recommended to increase the frequency of watering.

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		Signature	Date
Inspected & Recorded by	Registered Landscape Architect	Xylem*	25 th May 2022



<u>Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment Checklist for Site Audit – Ap Lei Chau PTW</u>

Inspection Date: 18 May, 2022 Weather: Sunny/ Fine/-Cloudy / Rainy
Time: 10:56 am Wind: Strong/ Breeze/ Light/-Calm

Item	Description	Yes	No	N/A	Actions / Remarks
1	Aesthetic design of the façade of PTW and associated structures to harmonize with the surrounding settings				
1.1	Is the aesthetic design match the surrounding environment?	✓			
1.2	Are the buildings maintained properly that do not cause any visual impact?	✓			
2	Shrub and Climbing Plants to soften proposed structures / Roof Greening / Vertical Greening				
2.1	Is the roof greening maintained properly?	✓			
2.2	Is the vertical greening maintained properly?			√	
2.3	Are the Shrub and Climbing Plants free from sign of deterioration of health?	√			
3	Buffer Tree and Shrub Planting to screen proposed associated structures				
3.1	Are the health of those buffer trees and shrub plantings generally in order?	√			
3.2	Is all new planting maintained properly to ensure further establishment?	√			
4	Reinstatement of disturbed area				
4.1	Are the compensated planting covered the disturbed area?			✓	
5	Others				
5.1	Are existing trees retained on-site are being well preserved?	✓			
5.2	Are newly planted vegetations are being generally maintained during the establishment period (12 months)?	_			



Follow up action taken by Contractor for previous comments:

- No visible irregularities were found

The contractor was reminded to rectify the following:

- N/A

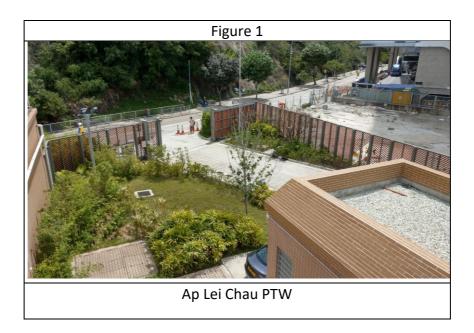
New Observation:

- N/A

Reminders:

- Contractor was reminded to carry out proper maintenance to plantings and recommended to increase the frequency of watering.

Photo Record:



		Signature	Date
Inspected & Recorded by	Registered Landscape Architect	Xylem"	25 th May 2022



<u>Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment Checklist for Site Audit – Wah Fu PTW</u>

Inspection Date: 18 May, 2022 Weather: Sunny/ Fine/ Cloudy / Rainy
Time: 11:20 am Wind: Strong/ Breeze/ Light/ Calm

Item	Description	Yes	No	N/A	Actions / Remarks
1	Aesthetic design of the façade of PTW and associated structures to harmonize with the surrounding settings				
1.1	Is the aesthetic design match the surrounding environment?	√			
1.2	Are the buildings maintained properly that do not cause any visual impact?	✓			
2	Shrub and Climbing Plants to soften proposed structures / Roof Greening / Vertical Greening				
2.1	Is the roof greening maintained properly?			✓	
2.2	Is the vertical greening maintained properly?			√	
2.3	Are the Shrub and Climbing Plants free from sign of deterioration of health?	√			
3	Buffer Tree and Shrub Planting to screen proposed associated structures				
3.1	Are the health of those buffer trees and shrub plantings generally in order?	√			
3.2	Is all new planting maintained properly to ensure further establishment?	√			
4	Reinstatement of disturbed area				
4.1	Are the compensated planting covered the disturbed area?			✓	
5	Others				
5.1	Are existing trees retained on-site are being well preserved?	✓			
5.2	Are newly planted vegetations are being generally maintained during the establishment period (12 months)?	_			



Follow up action taken by Contractor for previous comments:

- No visible irregularities were found

The contractor was reminded to rectify the following:

- N/A

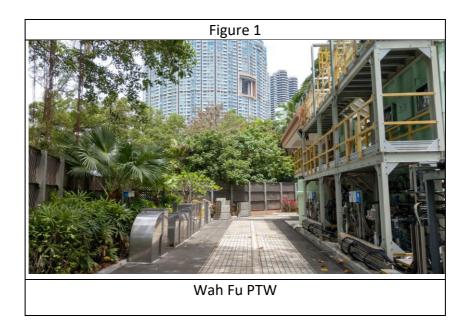
New Observation:

- N/A

Reminders:

- Contractor was reminded to carry out proper maintenance to plantings and recommended to increase the frequency of watering.

Photo Record:



		Signature	Date
Inspected & Recorded by	Registered Landscape Architect	Xylem*	25 th May 2022



<u>Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment Checklist for Site Audit – Aberdeen PTW</u>

Inspection Date: 18 May, 2022 Weather: <u>Sunny/ Fine/-Cloudy / Rainy</u>
Time: 11:09 am Wind: <u>Strong/ Breeze/ Light/-Calm</u>

Item	Description	Yes	No	N/A	Actions / Remarks
1	Aesthetic design of the façade of PTW and associated structures to harmonize with				
	the surrounding settings				
1.1		√			
	surrounding environment?				
1.2	Are the buildings maintained properly that	√			
	do not cause any visual impact?				
2	Shrub and Climbing Plants to soften				
	proposed structures / Roof Greening /				
	Vertical Greening				
2.1	Is the roof greening maintained properly?			✓	
2.2	Is the vertical greening maintained properly?			✓	
2.3	Are the Shrub and Climbing Plants free from	\			
	sign of deterioration of health?				
3	Buffer Tree and Shrub Planting to screen				
	proposed associated structures				
3.1	Are the health of those buffer trees and shrub plantings generally in order?	✓			
3.2	Is all new planting maintained properly to ensure further establishment?	>			
4	Reinstatement of disturbed area				
4.1	Are the compensated planting covered the disturbed area?			✓	
5	Others				
5.1	Are existing trees retained on-site are being well preserved?	√			
5.2	Are newly planted vegetations are being generally maintained during the establishment period (12 months)?	-			



Follow up action taken by Contractor for previous comments:

- No visible irregularities were found

The contractor was reminded to rectify the following:

- N/A

New Observation:

- N/A

Reminders:

- Contractor was reminded to carry out proper maintenance to plantings and recommended to closely monitor the conditions of the pruned trees. It is also recommended to increase the frequency of watering.
- Some tree branches span over driveway as shown in Figure 2. It is recommended that maintenance party to review if pruning is required.

Photo Record:

Figure 1	Figure 2
Aberdeen PTW	Aberdeen PTW

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<u>Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment Checklist for Site Audit – Cyberport PTW</u>

Inspection Date: 18 May, 2022 Weather: Sunny/ Fine/-Cloudy / Rainy
Time: 11:40 am Wind: Strong/ Breeze/-Light/-Calm

Item	Description	Yes	No	N/A	Actions / Remarks
1	Aesthetic design of the façade of PTW and associated structures to harmonize with the surrounding settings				
1.1	Is the aesthetic design match the surrounding environment?	✓			
1.2	Are the buildings maintained properly that do not cause any visual impact?	✓			
2	Shrub and Climbing Plants to soften proposed structures / Roof Greening / Vertical Greening				
2.1	Is the roof greening maintained properly?	✓			
2.2	Is the vertical greening maintained properly?			√	
2.3	Are the Shrub and Climbing Plants free from sign of deterioration of health?	√			
3	Buffer Tree and Shrub Planting to screen proposed associated structures				
3.1	Are the health of those buffer trees and shrub plantings generally in order?	√			
3.2	Is all new planting maintained properly to ensure further establishment?	√			
4	Reinstatement of disturbed area				
4.1	Are the compensated planting covered the disturbed area?			✓	
5	Others				
5.1	Are existing trees retained on-site are being well preserved?	√			
5.2	Are newly planted vegetations are being generally maintained during the establishment period (12 months)?	_			



Follow up action taken by Contractor for previous comments:

- No visible irregularities were found

The contractor was reminded to rectify the following:

- N/A

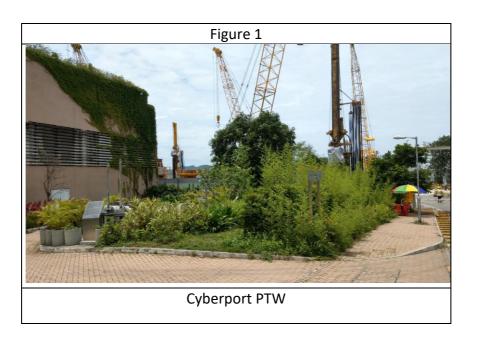
New Observation:

- N/A

Reminders:

- Contractor was reminded to carry out proper maintenance to plantings and increase the frequency of watering. It is also recommended to increase the maintenance of pot plants.

Photo Record:



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Inspected & Recorded by	Registered Landscape Architect	Xylem*	25 th May 2022



<u>Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment Checklist for Site Audit – Sandy Bay PTW</u>

Inspection Date: 18 May, 2022 Weather: <u>Sunny/ Fine/ Cloudy/ Rainy</u>
Time: 11:45 am Wind: <u>Strong/ Breeze/ Light/ Calm</u>

Item	Description	Yes	No	N/A	Actions / Remarks
1	Aesthetic design of the façade of PTW and associated structures to harmonize with the surrounding settings				
1.1	Is the aesthetic design match the surrounding environment?	√			
1.2	Are the buildings maintained properly that do not cause any visual impact?	√			
2	Shrub and Climbing Plants to soften proposed structures / Roof Greening / Vertical Greening				
2.1	Is the roof greening maintained properly?			√	
2.2	Is the vertical greening maintained properly?			√	
2.3	Are the Shrub and Climbing Plants free from sign of deterioration of health?	✓			
3	Buffer Tree and Shrub Planting to screen proposed associated structures				
3.1	Are the health of those buffer trees and shrub plantings generally in order?	√			
3.2	Is all new planting maintained properly to ensure further establishment?	√			
4	Reinstatement of disturbed area				
4.1	Are the compensated planting covered the disturbed area?			√	
5	Others				
5.1	Are existing trees retained on-site are being well preserved?	√			
5.2	Are newly planted vegetations are being generally maintained during the establishment period (12 months)?	-			



Follow up action taken by Contractor for previous comments:

- No visible irregularities were found

The contractor was reminded to rectify the following:

- N/A

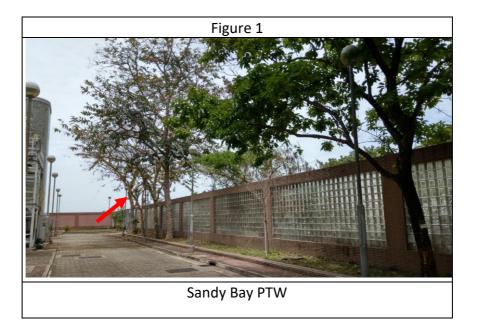
New Observation:

- N/A

Reminders:

- Contractor was reminded to carry out proper maintenance to plantings and recommended to increase the frequency of watering.
- It was noted that leaves shredded and foliage's colour turns yellow for trees at inner side as shown in Figure 1. Continuous monitoring of the tree condition is required.

Photo Record:



		Signature	Date
Inspected & Recorded by	Registered Landscape Architect	Xylem*	25 th May 2022



<u>Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment Checklist for Site Audit – Central PTW</u>

Inspection Date: 18 May, 2022 Weather: Sunny/Fine/-Cloudy/Rainy
Time: 12:10 pm Wind: Strong/Breeze/Light/-Calm

Item	Description	Yes	No	N/A	Actions / Remarks
1	Aesthetic design of the façade of PTW and				
	associated structures to harmonize with				
	the surrounding settings				
1.1	Is the aesthetic design match the	✓			
	surrounding environment?				
1.2	Are the buildings maintained properly that	✓			
	do not cause any visual impact?				
2	Shrub and Climbing Plants to soften				
	proposed structures / Roof Greening /				
	Vertical Greening				
2.1	Is the roof greening maintained properly?	>			
2.2	Is the vertical greening maintained			✓	
	properly?				
2.3	Are the Shrub and Climbing Plants free from	✓			
	sign of deterioration of health?				
3	Buffer Tree and Shrub Planting to screen				
	proposed associated structures				
3.1	Are the health of those buffer trees and	✓			
	shrub plantings generally in order?				
3.2	Is all new planting maintained properly to	✓			
	ensure further establishment?				
4	Reinstatement of disturbed area				
4.1	Are the compensated planting covered the			✓	
	disturbed area?				
5	Others				
5.1	Are existing trees retained on-site are being	✓			
	well preserved?				
5.2	Are newly planted vegetations are being	-			
	generally maintained during the				
	establishment period (12 months)?				



Follow up action taken by Contractor for previous comments:

- No visible irregularities were found

The contractor was reminded to rectify the following:

- N/A

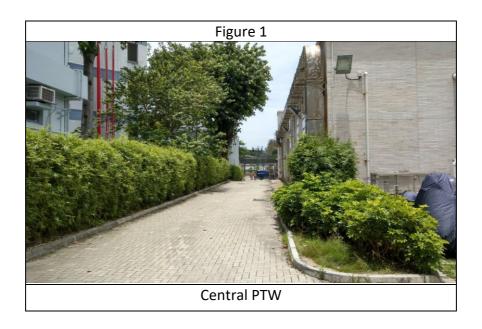
New Observation:

- N/A

Reminders:

- Contractor was reminded to carry out proper maintenance to plantings.

Photo Record:



		Signature	Date
Inspected & Recorded by	Registered Landscape Architect	Xylem*	25 th May 2022



<u>Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment Checklist for Site Audit – Wan Chai East PTW</u>

Inspection Date: 18 May, 2022 Weather: Sunny/Fine/ Cloudy / Rainy
Time: 12:25 pm Wind: Strong/Breeze/ Light/-Calm

Item	Description	Yes	No	N/A	Actions / Remarks
1	Aesthetic design of the façade of PTW and				
	associated structures to harmonize with				
	the surrounding settings				
1.1	Is the aesthetic design match the	✓			
	surrounding environment?				
1.2	Are the buildings maintained properly that	✓			
	do not cause any visual impact?				
2	Shrub and Climbing Plants to soften				
	proposed structures / Roof Greening / Vertical Greening				
2.1	Is the roof greening maintained properly?	√			
2.2	Is the vertical greening maintained properly?			✓	
2.3	Are the Shrub and Climbing Plants free from	✓			
	sign of deterioration of health?				
3	Buffer Tree and Shrub Planting to screen				
	proposed associated structures				
3.1	Are the health of those buffer trees and	✓			
	shrub plantings generally in order?				
3.2	Is all new planting maintained properly to	✓			
	ensure further establishment?				
4	Reinstatement of disturbed area				
4.1	Are the compensated planting covered the			✓	
	disturbed area?				
5	Others				
5.1	Are existing trees retained on-site are being	✓			
	well preserved?				
5.2	Are newly planted vegetations are being generally maintained during the establishment period (12 months)?				



Follow up action taken by Contractor for previous comments:

- No visible irregularities were found

The contractor was reminded to rectify the following:

- N/A

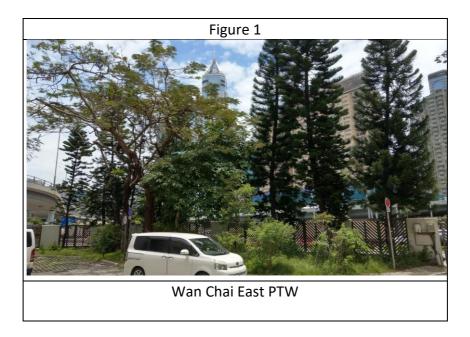
New Observation:

- N/A

Reminders:

- Contractor was reminded to carry out proper maintenance to plantings and recommended to provide adequate protection to trees adjacent to works area.

Photo Record:



		Signature	Date
Inspected & Recorded by	Registered Landscape Architect	Xylem*	25 th May 2022



<u>Landscape and Visual Impact Assessment Checklist for Site Audit – Stonecutters PTW</u>

Inspection Date: 18 May, 2022 Weather: <u>Sunny/ Fine/ Cloudy / Rainy</u>
Time: 12:55 pm Wind: <u>Strong/ Breeze/ Light/ Calm</u>

Item	Description	Yes	No	N/A	Actions / Remarks
1	Aesthetic design of the façade of PTW and				
	associated structures to harmonize with				
	the surrounding settings				
1.1	Is the aesthetic design match the	✓			
	surrounding environment?				
1.2	Are the buildings maintained properly that	✓			
	do not cause any visual impact?				
2	Shrub and Climbing Plants to soften				
	proposed structures / Roof Greening / Vertical Greening				
2.1	Is the roof greening maintained properly?	√			
2.2	Is the vertical greening maintained properly?			1	
2.3	Are the Shrub and Climbing Plants free from	✓			
	sign of deterioration of health?				
3	Buffer Tree and Shrub Planting to screen				
	proposed associated structures				
3.1	Are the health of those buffer trees and	✓			
	shrub plantings generally in order?				
3.2	Is all new planting maintained properly to	✓			
	ensure further establishment?				
4	Reinstatement of disturbed area				
4.1	Are the compensated planting covered the			✓	
	disturbed area?				
5	Others				
5.1	Are existing trees retained on-site are being	✓			
	well preserved?				
5.2	Are newly planted vegetations are being generally maintained during the establishment period (12 months)?				



Follow up action taken by Contractor for previous comments:

- No visible irregularities were found

The contractor was reminded to rectify the following:

- N/A

New Observation:

- N/A

Reminders:

- Vigour of some existing trees (e.g.T110 & T109) as shown in Figure 3 are found to be poor. Close monitoring or tree risk assessment may be required.
- Die back of trees as shown in Figure 4 is noted. It is recommended that the maintenance party to review the situation and to remove the trees to reduce the safety risk if found to be required.

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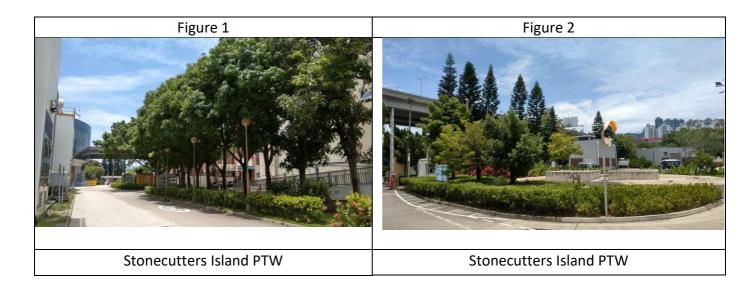




Figure 3	Figure 4
Tree T110 & T109	
Stonecutters Island PTW	Stonecutters Island PTW

		Signature	Date
Inspected & Recorded by	Registered Landscape Architect	Xylem*	25 th May 2022