

Country and Marine Parks Board
Summary Report of the Country Parks Committee

1. Purpose

1.1 To inform members on issues discussed at the Country Parks Committee (CPC) meeting held on 26 April 2013. Major issues discussed at the meeting are summarised below.

2. Assessment on the Suitability of the Country Park Enclaves to be Incorporated into the Plover Cove Country Park

2.1 Members were briefed on the assessment results on the suitability of the 11 country park enclaves adjacent to or surrounded by the Plover Cove Country Park (PCCP) for country park designation. Members were informed that it was recommended to incorporate five of these country park enclaves into the PCCP, namely Hung Shek Mun Tsuen; Lai Tau Shek; Sai Lau Kong; part of the Kop Tong, Mui Tsz Lam and Lai Chi Wo and Fan Kei Tok having regard to their intrinsic value, land status, use and function, which were considered suitable for country park designation. The remaining seven enclaves, namely the remaining part of Kop Tong, Mui Tsz Lam and Lai Chi Wo; Sam A Tsuen; Siu Tan; So Lo Pun; Kuk Po San Uk Ha, Kuk Po Lo Wai, Yi To, Sam To, Sze To and Ng To; Fung Hang and Yung Shue Au were recommended to be protected by statutory plans under the Town Planning Ordinance.

2.2 Members suggested that information about biodiversity and ecologically important species should be included in the assessment results of conservation value. Members were informed that AFCD would include the information in the revised paper.

2.3 Members proposed that a plot of land to the north of the enclave of Lai Chi Wo and the coastal area of the three enclaves, namely, So Lo Pun, Siu Tan and Sam A Tsuen, should also be incorporated into the PCCP. Members were informed that AFCD would consider their proposal.

2.4 The Chairman suggested a site visit to selected enclaves of the PCCP for members. Members were informed that the site visit would be conducted on 21 June 2013 after the meeting.

3. Country and Marine Parks Authority Progress Report on Country Parks

3.1 The Country and Marine Parks Authority Progress Report on Country Parks for the period from 1 November 2012 to 28 February 2013 was presented at the meeting.

4. Presentation

4.1 This paper is prepared for members' information.

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