

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 20 May 2014. Major issues discussed at the meeting are summarised below.

2. Assessment on the Suitability of Designating Country Park Enclaves of Mau Ping, Pak A, Tung A, Ko Lau Wan and Shui Mong Tin as Part of Country Parks

2.1 Members were briefed on the results of assessments on the suitability for designation of five country park enclaves as part of country parks (including special areas), namely Mau Ping, Mau Ping Lo Uk, Mau Ping San Uk and Wong Chuk Shan (Mau Ping); Pak A; Tung A; Ko Lau Wan, Mo Uk, Lam Uk, Lau Uk and Tse Uk (Ko Lau Wan); and Shui Mong Tin.

2.2 Based on the assessment results on the suitability for designation of these five country park enclaves, it was recommended not to incorporate these enclaves into country parks, having regard to the revised principles and criteria adopted in 2011.

2.3 Members had expressed their views on the results of assessments on the suitability for designation of these five country park enclaves as part of country parks.

3. Summary Report of the Working Group on Sai Wan Management

3.1 Mr Joseph MO, the convenor of the Working Group on Sai Wan Management, briefed members on issues discussed at the Working Group on Sai Wan Management and the progress of the implementation of the Sai Wan Management Plan.

3.2 Members were informed that the latest site condition and some existing management challenges of Sai Wan as well as the work progress of the Sai Wan

Management Plan had been presented at the first Working Group meeting on 10 April 2014. Members were also briefed about an informal meeting between the Working Group, villagers of Sai Wan and representatives of the Heung Yee Kuk on 24 April 2014.

3.3 Members noted that the Sai Wan Management Plan had been presented to the Task Force on Planning Issues related to Tai Long Sai Wan under the Sai Kung District Council on 28 April 2014. The Plan had been supported by the Task Force in general.

4. Summary of Applications for Development within Country Parks from 1 October 2013 to 31 March 2014

4.1 The summary of development proposals within country parks from 1 October 2013 to 31 March 2014 was presented at the meeting. Out of the 54 proposals received during the period, there was no objection to 35 proposals while 15 were still under consideration and 4 were withdrawn. The majority of cases were related to utility services works such as electricity, telephone and water supply, path improvement, and slope repair and utility installation.

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

5.1 The Country and Marine Parks Authority Progress Report on Country Parks for the period from 1 January to 31 March 2014 was presented at the meeting.

6. Presentation

6.1 This paper is prepared for members' information.