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In Face of Raging COVID-19 Pandemic Construction Industry Council Urges the Industry to Stay Alert

Hong Kong • 24 November 2020 – The fourth wave of the COVID-19 pandemic in Hong Kong is raging, the Construction Industry Council urges all contractors to stay alert and maintain construction site hygiene. If there is any confirmed case at site, the contractor should arrange virus testing for all workers as soon as possible, and should follow up according to the instructions of the Centre for Health Protection.

In view of a confirmed case at a site in Yuen Long, the contractor decided to swiftly arrange virus testing for all workers, and carried out thorough disinfection at the site by following the instructions of the Centre for Health Protection. Their prompt response helped reduce the potential impact and ensured the workers work under a safe environment. The Construction Industry Council again reminds all contractors to adopt effective precautionary measures, maintaining construction site hygiene and good ventilation at all times. Sanitary facilities and a workplace with adequate social distancing should be arranged for workers.

In addition, the Construction Industry Council urges the industry to unite and fight the virus together. Tapping technology to combat the pandemic, one can develop a habit of recording their whereabouts via the "LeaveHomeSafe" mobile app to minimise the risk of further transmission of the virus in the community.

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About the Construction Industry Council

The Construction Industry Council (CIC) was formed in 2007 under the Construction Industry Council Ordinance (Cap. 587). The CIC consists of a chairman and 24 members representing various sectors of the industry including employers, professionals, academics, contractors, workers, independent persons and Government officials.

The main functions of the CIC are to forge consensus on long-term strategic issues, convey the industry's needs and aspirations to the Government, provide professional training and registration services, and serve as a communication channel between the Government and the construction industry.

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