

Construction Industry Council

Meeting No. 004/19 of the Construction Industry Council for 2019 was held on Friday, 16 August 2019 at 2:00pm at the Board Room, 29/F, Tower 2, Enterprise Square Five (MegaBox), 38 Wang Chiu Road, Kowloon Bay, Kowloon, Hong Kong.

Present	: CHAN Ka-kui	(KKCh)	Chairman
	CHAN Chi-chiu	(CCC)	
	CHAN Kim-kwong	(KKCN)	
	CHAN Pat-kan	(CPK)	
	CHOW Luen-kiu	(LKC)	
	CHUNG Kwok-fai	(CKFi)	
	Ada FUNG Yin-suen	(AF)	
	Alex KWAN King-fai	(KFK)	
	Stephen LAI Yuk-fai	(SLI)	
	Eddie LAM Kin-wing	(ELM)	
	Amy LEE Sau-king	(LSK)	
	Kenneth MO Kon-fei	(KM)	
	PAN Shu-jie	(PSJ)	
	Derrick PANG Yat-bond	(DP)	
	Rocky POON Lock-kee	(LKP)	
	Simon WONG Hin-wing	(SWhW)	
	Ken WONG Kin-wai	(KnW)	
	Eliza WONG Yeuk-lan	(EWYL)	
	Ringo YU Shek-man	(RiYu)	
	LAM Sai-hung	(PSW)	
CHEUNG Tin-cheung	(TnC)	Director of Buildings	
Connie YEUNG Kwong-yim	(CYG)	for Permanent Secretary for Transport and Housing (Housing)	
In Attendance	: Joey LAM	(DS1)	Development Bureau Housing Department Executive Director Director – Collaboration & Trade Testing Assistant Director – Industry Development & Estates Office Assistant Director – Human Resources & Administration Assistant Director – Finance & Registration
	Vera CHAN	(VCML)	
	Albert CHENG	(CTN)	
	Alex LEUNG	(AL)	
	Stephen HO	(SnH)	
	Cheryl IP	(CI)	
	LEE Oi-yen	(OYL)	

Miranda YEAP	(MYP)	Senior Manager – Corporate Secretariat
Senia HO	(SaH)	Manager – Corporate Secretariat

Apologies : Ivan FU Chin-shing (FI)
LO Hong-kam (LHK)
YU Sai-yen (SYYu)

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[The open-door session of the meeting started at 4:45pm.]

**4.26 Confirmation of Minutes of the Previous Meeting
(Open-door Session)**

Members referred to Paper CIC/CMT/M/003/19 and approved the minutes of the open-door session of the 3rd meeting of 2019 held on Friday, 21 June 2019 at the Board Room, 29/F, Tower 2, Enterprise Square Five (MegaBox), 38 Wang Chiu Road, Kowloon Bay, Kowloon, Hong Kong.

**4.27 Matters Arising from the Previous Meeting
(Open-door Session)**

The Chairman invited MYP to brief Members on matters arising from the last Council Meeting No. 003/19 held on 21 June 2019. MYP reported as follows:.

Contingency Matter of Meeting 003/19 The following two events:

- Construction Industry Outstanding Young Person Awards Presentation Ceremony 2019; and
- Young Construction Conference 2019 postponed due to the social incidents on 22 June 2019, would be rescheduled to be held on 21 September 2019 (Saturday) at Kerry Hotel, Hong Kong.

Item 3.31.3 of Meeting 003/19 In respect of reviewing the frequency of occurrence of the annual event “Construction Safety Week” (CSW) and the various safety awards, the Com-CSY Secretariat had advised that:

- the Chairperson of Com-CSY was of the opinion that the CSW should continue to be organised annually. As the CSW would select one high risk construction activity each year as theme, this would provide a platform for drawing industry stakeholders’ attention to such a high risk activity and the CIC would follow up in the subsequent year on measures taken to reduce such risk; and
- noting that there were various safety awards

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concurrently being organised by different industry partners, the Chairperson and the Construction Safety team had held meetings with the DEVB, Labour Department (LD) and the Occupational Safety and Health Council (OSHC) on 12 August 2019 to explore the possibility of developing a single, grand industry-recognised safety award for the whole construction industry.

4.28 Summary Notes of 2nd Meeting of Committee on Construction Safety for 2019

Members took note of Paper CIC/CMT/P/100/19.

DP highlighted the major items of the last meeting as follows:

- Item 2.2 – The Com-CSY had collected comments from some stakeholders of the industry on the LD’s consultation paper “Raising Penalties of the Occupational Safety and Health Legislation”. Those comments had been sent to the LD for consideration.
- Item 2.2 – The first meeting of the Task Force on Truss-out Bamboo Scaffolds had been held on 18 June 2019.
- Item 2.3 – The design of the Centre for Construction Safety at Kwai Chung Campus had been finalised. The tender invitation would be issued in September 2019. There had been a two months’ delay in the construction works.
- Item 2.4 – The Subcommittee on Safety Training had reviewed the training programmes provided by the HKIC. It was noted that the HKIC would consider running a new safety course on lifting for frontline supervisors of the main contractors.
- Item 2.9 – Regarding the Study of Safety Roles and Responsibilities of Key Stakeholders in the Hong Kong Construction Industry, the consultant had already completed the Phase-I research work and commenced the Phase-II work. The whole study was expected to be completed in November 2019.

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- Item 2.10 – The three-year work plan and budget had been endorsed by the Com-CSY.
- Item 2.11 – Concerning the review of the event “CSW” and the safety awards, DP mentioned that he might need assistance of some veteran Council Members in liaising with the OSHC.

On the matter of safety awards and the Considerate Contractors Site Award, the Chairman shared the relevant good practice of CLP Power Hong Kong Limited (CLP) with Members. The practice had been very well received by the CLP staff members. The Chairman invited DP to give some thoughts to the CIC’s arrangement along similar lines. Where practicable, some incentive schemes could be introduced.

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Members had no comments on the other items stated in Paper CIC/CMT/P/100/19.

4.29 Summary Notes of 2nd Meeting of Committee on Construction Procurement for 2019

Members took note of Paper CIC/CMT/P/101/19.

SLI highlighted the major items of the last meeting as follows:

- Item 2.3 – The Com-CPT had held its second meeting on 20 June 2019 and endorsed the 2020 business plan and budget. New initiatives e.g. the setting up of data platform, the implementation of Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) and standard Building Information Modelling (BIM) contract terms, etc. had been included in the business plan.
- Item 2.4 – The Com-CPT had been liaising with the DEVB regarding the tender evaluation for public works contract.
- Item 2.6 – Arcadis Consultancy Hong Kong Limited (Arcadis) had finished the questionnaire surveys and face-to-face interviews for the Repair, Maintenance, Alteration and Addition (RMAA) Study. There would be an extension of the study by Arcadis.
- Item 2.7 – On the matter of Reasonable Construction Period, the revised assignment brief had been approved.

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- Item 2.8 – The video production for Flat Inspection had been on track.
- Item 2.9 – Concerning the subject of Selection of Contractors, Sr Kenneth POON had been engaged in the review and enhancement of the Reference Materials.

Members had no comments on the other items stated in Paper CIC/CMT/P/101/19.

[LSK left the meeting at this juncture.]

4.30 Summary Notes of 2nd Meeting of Committee on Environment for 2019

Members took note of Paper CIC/CMT/P/102/19.

TnC highlighted the major items of the last meeting as follows:

- Item 2.2 – With regard to the ongoing project “Consultancy Services on Improving the Environmental Performance of the Hong Kong Construction Industry”, the PwC had been meeting with various proposed action parties. The Com-ENV would closely monitor the PwC’s work.
- Item 2.3 – The project name of “Guidelines on Sustainable Construction” would be changed to “Sustainable Construction Model” to allow flexibility in contents updating and make it more interactive with users.
- Item 2.4 – The launching ceremony of the CIC Carbon Assessment Tool would be held on 12 September 2019. The work of the web-based tool development, pilot projects and the BEAM Plus integration was in progress.
- Item 2.5 – The business plan and budget for 2020 had been endorsed by the Com-ENV. The “CIC Sustainable Construction Award 2020” would be launched in November 2019 and a “CIC Smart Waste Management Plug-in” would be developed in 2020.

Members had no comments on the other items stated in Paper CIC/CMT/P/102/19.

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4.31 Summary Notes of 2nd Meeting of Committee on Building Information Modelling for 2019

Members took note of Paper CIC/CMT/P/103/19.

AF highlighted the major items of the last meeting as follows:

- Item 2.3 – The work progress on various BIM items had been noted by the Com-BIM, which included the development of capacity building initiatives, promotion and publicity, standards and guidelines, BIM Certification and Accreditation Scheme, research and development, and other matters.
- Item 2.3 – AF reported that the Hong Kong Institute of BIM, Hong Kong Institute of Civil & BIM and the Hong Kong Geographic Information System Association would form an alliance by October 2019 to become the buildingSMART Hong Kong Chapter. The preparation work was in progress.
- Item 2.4 – The work on the project “BIM Standards” had been on track. Prof. Jack CHENG was in charge of the Task Force on BIM Standards (Phase 2) and was looking after the work progress of various items. Besides, with regard to the BIM Agreement, the Com-BIM would take lead and collaborate with the Com-CPT in developing reference clauses for incorporation into the private and public works contracts.
- Item 2.5 – The updates on the BIM training activities had been reported to the Com-BIM by the Task Force on BIM Training. The HKIC would take up the delivery of training, as recommended by the Task Force.
- Item 2.6 – The BIM Adoption Survey was being conducted by the consultant, bimSCORE Ltd. The work progress was positive.
- Item 2.7 – Representatives from the DEVB and the large public corporations had signed the BIM Adoption Charter. They had each given a presentation on their organisation’s BIM Adoption Roadmap. The Com-BIM would meet soon with the Real Estate Developers Association of Hong Kong on the adoption of BIM.
- Item 2.8 – The RLB had given a presentation on 5D BIM

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experience sharing to the Com-BIM. The Committee would explore further measures and development for wider adoption of 5D BIM.

- Item 2.9 – Members of the Com-BIM had been encouraged to attend the buildingSMART International Standards Summit to be held in Beijing in October 2019.

The Chairman enquired about the progress of the BIM Certification and Accreditation Scheme. AF replied that she was not aware of any adverse comments from the industry. The Chairman cautioned that the said Scheme should not negatively interfere with the operation of the industry.

Members had no comments on the other items stated in Paper CIC/CMT/P/103/19.

4.32 Summary Notes of 3rd and 4th Meeting of Committee on Registered Specialist Trade Contractors Scheme for 2019

Members took note of Paper CIC/CMT/P/104/19 and Paper CIC/CMT/P/105/19.

CCC highlighted the major items of the last two meetings as follows:

- Item 3.1 – The Committee on Registered Specialist Trade Contractors Scheme (Com-RSC) had conducted the 3rd regulatory hearing of 2019 and handled seven cases.
- Item 3.4 – The DEVB had issued a memorandum to relevant departments to mandate the employment of RSTCs in public works contracts with effect from 1 April 2019 and amended the relevant contract clauses allowing an 18-month grace period on employing Group 2 RSTCs.
- Item 3.5 – The Com-RSC had rectified the situation of double payment of registration fees by certain construction companies.
- Item 4.3 – The business plan 2020 and its budget had been endorsed by the Com-RSC.
- Item 4.4 – The logo design for the RSTC had been finalised.

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- Item 4.5 – As regards the application for registration as Specialist Trade Contractors, the Com-RSC Members had considered alternatives on qualifications of the technical staff and the job reference report submitted by the applicants on a case-by-case basis.
- Item 4.6 – On the operations of the RSTC Scheme, the updates had been reported to the Com-RSC. The DEVB and the major public organisations had already revised or would be revising their relevant employment contract clauses.
- Item 4.7 – The 4th regulatory hearing for 2019 had handled seven cases.

Members had no comments on the other items stated in Paper CIC/CMT/P/104/19 and Paper CIC/CMT/P/105/19.

4.33 Summary Notes of 4th Meeting of Construction Industry Training Board for 2019

Members took note of Paper CIC/CMT/P/106/19.

AL highlighted the major items of the last meeting as follows:

- Item 4.2 – Adjustments on the application requirements and the application fee for Trade Tests had been endorsed. In view of the recent social unrest and sentiments, as an ad hoc measure, the implementation of the fee adjustment in relation to Trade Tests would be withheld for the time being.
- Item 4.2 – Upon approval by the LegCo Finance Committee, the government's funding on payment of enhanced training subsidies for full-time courses would be dated back to September 2019.
- Item 4.3 – The Satisfaction Survey 2018 of Construction Industry Council Trade Tests performed by the Public Opinion Programme of The University of Hong Kong revealed a positive result. The findings were noted by the Construction Industry Training Board (CITB).
- Item 4.4 – Two new Subcommittees, namely Subcommittee on Trade Testing and Subcommittee on Construction Industry

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Council Approved Technical Talents Training Programmes and Collaborative Training Schemes had been formed. Details of the updated organisation structure were presented in Annex of the Paper.

- Item 4.5 – The approval procedures of the CITB, the HKIC Management Board and Subcommittees had been streamlined.
- Item 4.6 – The CITB had approved the proposed amendments on the Advanced Construction Manpower Training Scheme – Pilot Scheme and the training places in 2020.
- Item 4.7 – The CITB had approved subsidising the “VTC Diploma of Vocational Education” (including “Craft Certificate” and “Technician” courses) and the “Engineering Diploma” in years 2019/20 and 2020/21 with a total of 2,100 training places, and the related financial budget of HK\$48,602,400. The approved expenditure would be spent over four years from 2019 to 2022.

Members had no comments on the other items stated in Paper CIC/CMT/P/106/19.

[LKP and RiYu left the meeting at this juncture.]

4.34 Summary Notes of 3rd Meeting of Construction Workers Registration Board for 2019

Members took note of Paper CIC/CMT/P/107/19.

Among other items, KM highlighted that the new initiative of the workers data analytics model had been completed. The relevant data and analyses would be presented in a dashboard format. KM invited OYL to demonstrate how to make good use of the online interactive dashboard for Members’ reference.

In walking through the dashboard demonstration, Members requested to have a trial of the online dashboard before approving the release of it to the public via the CIC Website. OYL was tasked by the Chairman to follow up on the matter. It was agreed that the trial version of the online dashboard would be opened to Members with a trial period of around three months. The matter including Members’ feedback, if any, should be reported back to the Council

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in December 2019 and a decision on whether the online dashboard was ready for launching to the public would then be made.

Members had no comments on the other items stated in Paper CIC/CMT/P/107/19.

[CKFi, SWHW and KnW left the meeting at this juncture.]

4.35 Any Other Business

4.35.1 CIC Event Calendar (August – September 2019)

The Chairman invited MYP to brief Members on the forthcoming major events of the CIC, as follows:

22-27 August – WorldSkills Kazan 2019

11 September – Dinner Reception of the Hong Kong Construction Industry to Celebrate the 70th Anniversary of the PRC

13 September – Conference on Low Carbon Construction Roadmap Beyond 2030 and CIC Carbon Assessment Tool Launching Ceremony

16 September – CIC Construction Luncheon

16 September – E&M Go! 2019

21 September – Young Construction Conference 2019

21 September – Construction Industry Outstanding Young Person Awards Presentation Ceremony 2019

4.36 Tentative Date of Next Meeting 005/19

The next meeting was scheduled for 18 October 2019 (Friday) at 2:00pm at the Board Room, 29/F, Tower 2, Enterprise Square Five (MegaBox), 38 Wang Chiu Road, Kowloon Bay, Kowloon, Hong Kong.

All to note

There being no further business, the open-door session of the meeting was adjourned at 5:45pm.