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# The Construction Industry Works Together to Fight the Epidemic Provide Workers with a Hygienic, Safe and Comfortable Lunch Area

Hong Kong • 28 July 2020 – In response to the new anti-epidemic measure implemented by the HKSAR Government, which restaurants must cease to provide dine-in services at all times, the Construction Industry Council (CIC) issued a letter appealing to the Real Estate Developers Association of Hong Kong, main contractors, registered specialist trade contractors and subcontractors to be considerate of the working conditions of their workers and provide them with a hygienic, safe and comfortable lunch area. To prevent workers from going out and to reduce social contact, employers should arrange bulk orders of lunch boxes and flexible lunch hours if feasible. At the same time, a resting area with good ventilation, tables and chairs, and drinking water shall be provided, while workers should maintain social distancing.

In view of the latest development of COVID-19, the CIC strongly recommends the industry to take effective precautious measures, including to maintain good personal and work place hygiene, take body temperature when access to construction sites, keep hands clean, wear masks, maintain good ventilation at workplace, and perform daily cleaning and sterilisation at site areas .

The CIC and the construction industry will work together to fight and come through this epidemic.

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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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