

Construction Industry Council

Meeting No. 001/24 of the Construction Industry Council for 2024 was held on Friday, 23 February 2024 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:	Thomas HO On-sing	(TH)	Chairman
	Marvin CHEN	(MCh)	
	Jack CHENG Chin-pang	(JCCp)	
	Victor CHEUNG Chi-kong	(VC)	
	Thomas HO Kwok-kwan	(KnH)	
	Danny HUNG Cheung-shew*	(CSH)	
	KAN Jun	(KJ)	
	KWOK Hing-wun	(HWK)	
	Eddie LAM Kin-wing	(ELM)	
	Clarence LEUNG Wai-kin	(CLWK)	
	Ricky LEUNG Wing-kee	(RyL)	
	Simon LIU Sing-pang	(SiL)	
	LO LEE Oi-lin	(OLLL)	
	Kevin MA Hok-ming	(KMHM)	
	MOW Tai-hing	(THM)	
	Lawrence NG San-wa	(LN)	
	Edwin TONG Ka-hung	(ETg)	
	TSE Wang-yu	(TWY)	
	Andrew YOUNG Meng-cheung	(AYMC)	
	Emil YU Chen-on	(EYCO)	
	Ricky LAU Chun-kit	(PSW)	Permanent Secretary for Development (Works)
	Clarice YU Po-mei	(YPM)	Director of Buildings
In Attendance:	Pamela LAM	(DS1)	Development Bureau
	Anthea LING*	(ALWY)	Housing Department
	Albert CHENG	(CTN)	Executive Director
	Alex HO	(AHKK)	Director – Industry Development
	Adams CHAN	(AdC)	Chief Information Officer
	Rebecca CHOI	(RaC)	Assistant Director – Qualification & Quality Control
	Cheryl IP	(CI)	Assistant Director – Human Resources & Administration

LEE Oi-yen	(OYL)	Assistant Director – Registration Services
Yan ZHOU	(YZ)	Assistant Director – Industry Development
Chris LAU	(CLu)	General Manager – Finance & Procurement
Timothy LEUNG	(TLG)	General Manager – Industry Development
Kenneth WU	(KKCW)	Senior Manager – Industry Development, Construction Productivity
Miranda YEAP	(MYP)	Senior Manager – Corporate Secretariat
Peggy CHEUNG	(PeC)	Manager – Corporate Secretariat

Apologies: Rex WONG Siu-han (RxW)
Stephen LEUNG Kin-man (SLKM) for Permanent Secretary for Housing

** attended the meeting online via Microsoft Teams*

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[The open-door session of the meeting started at 4:55pm.]

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

Members referred to Paper CIC/CMT/M/006/23 and confirmed the minutes of the open-door session of the 6th meeting of 2023 held on Friday, 15 December 2023 at the Star Chamber, North Block, 4/F, Hong Kong Institute of Construction – Kowloon Bay Campus, 44 Tai Yip Street, Kowloon Bay, Kowloon, Hong Kong.

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

There were no matters arising from the previous meeting.

**1.27 Summary Notes of 4th Meeting of Committee on Building
Information Modelling and Construction Digitalisation for
2023**

JCCp, Chairperson of the Committee on Building Information Modelling and Construction Digitalisation (Com-BIM & CD), briefed Members on the visit to buildingSMART International Standards Summit – Lillestrom 2023. The Chairman recommended that the Com-BIM & CD should follow up on the takeaways and explore how they could be applied and implemented in practice in Hong Kong.

**Com-BIM
& CD
Secretariat**

Members received Paper CIC/CMT/P/018/24 without further comments.

**1.28 Summary Notes of 4th Meeting of Committee on Construction
Business Development for 2023**

Members received Paper CIC/CMT/P/019/24 without comments.

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1.29 Summary Notes of 4th Meeting of Committee on Construction Safety for 2023

The Chairman recommended conducting an industry-wide survey as soon as possible to explore the best ways to ensure that the necessary safety messages be conveyed to all front-line practitioners.

**Com-CSY
Secretariat**

Members received Paper CIC/CMT/P/020/24 without further comments.

1.30 Summary Notes of 4th Meeting of Committee on Environment for 2023

Members received Paper CIC/CMT/P/021/24 without comments.

1.31 Summary Notes of 4th Meeting of Committee on Productivity for 2023

RyL, Chairperson of the Committee on Productivity, reported that they were exploring the feasibility of revising the current schedule for the Research & Technology Development Fund with the objective of expediting the application assessment and endorsement process. The streamlined procedure, once finalised, would be reported to the Council.

Members received Paper CIC/CMT/P/022/24 without further comments.

1.32 Summary Notes of 1st Meeting of Committee on Registered Specialist Trade Contractors Scheme for 2024

ETg, Chairperson of the Committee on Registered Specialist Trade Contractors Scheme (Com-RSC), reported the decisions on the proposed addition of trades as designated trades under the Registered Specialist Trade Contractors Scheme (RSTCS) as follows:

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- (a) to approve the addition of “Metal Work” as a designated trade under the RSTCS;
- (b) to follow up on Com-RSC Members’ views on the registration requirements for the designated trade of “Structural Steelwork” by the Secretariat; and
- (c) to approve in principle the addition of “Painting” as a designated trade under the RSTCS and to follow up on Com-RSC Members’ views on the registration requirements for the designated trade of “Painting” by the Secretariat.

In response to the Chairman’s query, ETg reported that the Immediate Suspension from Registration due to Occurrence of Serious Incident had been implemented since 1 January 2024. The scaffolding collapse accident on 22 February 2024 would be the first test case. He stated that for private works, obtaining information regarding the subcontractors involved would be subject to the contractors’ promptness in providing it. PSW supplemented that this kind of information for public works was available and could be provided if deemed necessary.

Members received Paper CIC/CMT/P/023/24 without further comments.

1.33 Summary Notes of 1st Meeting of Construction Industry Training Board for 2024

RaC reported that the proposed arrangement for the Intermediate Tradesman Collaborative Training Scheme (Skills Enhancement Courses) to offer a “multi-skilled” training programme had been approved. CTN added that the training programme would commence in the Electrical & Mechanical work trades in Q1 2024, offering 150 places in the form of pilot scheme.

In answer to the Chairman’s query, the first cohort of advanced diploma programme graduates from the Hong Kong Institute of Construction (HKIC), who now had the opportunity to further their

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studies in universities, was expected to be admitted in September 2024. The Secretariat would track their study path.

Members received Paper CIC/CMT/P/024/24 without further comments.

1.34 Any Other Business

1.34.1 The CIC Events Calendar of March and April 2024 was appended below for reference:

Date	Event (Venue)
6 March	Launching Ceremony on CIC Outstanding Contractor Award 2024 (CIC – Zero Carbon Park and Livestreaming)
30-31 March	ZCP Easter STEAM Carnival (CIC – Zero Carbon Park)
4 April	Visit to MiC Factory in GBA (Greater Bay Area)
21 & 28 April	Construction Industry Table Tennis Competition 2024 (HKIC - Sheung Shui Campus)
Q1 (To be confirmed)	Final Round and Award Presentation Ceremony of Construction Industry Football League 2023 (11-a-side Soccer Pitches)

1.35 Tentative Date of Next Meeting No. 002/24

The next meeting was scheduled for 19 April 2024 (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 5:06pm.