

**Construction Industry Council**

Meeting No. 003/11 of the Construction Industry Council for 2011 was held on Friday, 24 June 2011 at 2:30pm at Board Room, Construction Industry Council Headquarters, 15/F Allied Kajima Building, 138 Gloucester Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong.

Present	:	Shing-see LEE	(SSL)	Chairman
		Andrew CHAN	(AC)	
		Teresa CHENG	(TC)	
		Hau-wai CHEUNG	(HWC)	
		Tai-chong CHEW	(TCC)	
		Luen-kiu CHOW	(LKC)	
		Thomas HO	(TH)	
		Wai-wah HO	(WWH)	
		Jan-ming KO	(JMK)	
		Peter LAM	(OKL)	
		Wo-hei LAM	(WHL)	
		Tak-ching MAK	(TCM)	
		Koon-sun WAN	(KSW)	
		Billy WONG	(BW)	
		Mike WONG	(MW)	
	Chi-sing WAI	(CSW)	Permanent Secretary for Development (Works)	
	Choi-kai AU	(CKA)	Director of Buildings	
In Attendance	:	Charmaine WONG	(HWW)	Development Bureau
		Connie Yeung		Housing Department
		Christopher TO	(CT)	Executive Director
		Charles WONG	(CWG)	Director (Training)
		Theresa CHAN	(TCN)	Senior Manager (Finance)
		Cheryl IP	(CI)	Senior Manager (Human Resources & Administration)
		Guiyi LI	(GYL)	Senior Manager (Research)
		Ivan WONG	(IW)	Senior Manager (Council Services)
	Shirley LEE	(SyL)	Manager (Council Services)	

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Marian KWOK	AECOM
Albert LI	AECOM
M K LEUNG	Ronald Lu & Partners (Hong Kong) Limited
K S WONG	Ronald Lu & Partners (Hong Kong) Limited
Kenneth WONG	Ronald Lu & Partners (Hong Kong) Limited

Raymond YAU  
Becky CHUNG  
Michael YU

ARUP  
Widnell Sweett  
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Apologies : Siu-hung CHAN (SHC)  
Stanley HUI (SH)  
James KWAN (JK)  
Joseph LEE (HWL)  
Conrad WONG (CW)  
Kam-hung YU (KHY)  
Wai-wai YU (WWY)  
Ada FUNG (AF)

for Permanent Secretary for Transport  
and Housing (Housing)

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[The open-door session of the meeting started at 5:25 pm.]

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

Members took note of Paper CIC/CMT/M/002/11 and approved the minutes of the open-door session of the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting for 2011 held on Friday, 29 April 2011 at Board Room, Construction Industry Council Headquarters, 15/F Allied Kajima Building, 138 Gloucester Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong.

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

Matters arising from the previous meeting would be covered at the later part of the meeting.

3.3 **2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of Committee on Procurement for 2011**

Members took note of Paper CIC/CMT/P/022/11.

The following matters were highlighted:

- In consideration of a new Committee on RMAA Works to be established under the Council, the task force on RMAA under the Committee on Procurement (Com-PCM) would not be established.
- A Task Force on NEC3 Collaborative Contracts would be set up under Com-PCM. The terms of reference and membership list had been endorsed.
- A Task Force on Competition Bill would be formed under Com-PCM. The terms of reference and membership list had been approved. Reference would be made to countries with similar legislations to assess the need for publishing guidelines or reference materials if the bill had been passed and enacted.

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3.4 **3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of Committee on Subcontracting for 2011**

Members took note of Paper CIC/CMT/P/023/11.

Com-SBC reported that as a result of the recent upgrade of the MPFA website function, VSRS Registration Office would be able to identify any Registered Subcontractors who failed to make the MPF contribution and to take necessary regulatory action.

Members were advised that the task force chaired by TC was deliberating on the rules of different dispute resolution methods.

The survey to assess the gravity of payment problems prevailing in the construction industry was being conducted by a consultant appointed by DevB with the assistance from Census and Statistics Department. The consultant had approached around 550 companies to participate in the survey up to mid-May, whereas over 80% had agreed to take part in the face-to-face interview. The application of SoP legislation in various jurisdictions was also discussed.

Meetings were organised on a monthly basis on standard contract provisions for domestic subcontracts.

In response to the recommendation in the internal audit report, the Task Force on VSRS Stage 2 would consider the enhancement to the composition of the management committee of VSRS Stage 2.

*[MW left the meeting at this juncture.]*

3.5 **2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of Construction Industry Training Board for 2011**

Members took note of Paper CIC/CMT/P/024/11.

CITB reported that the monthly allowance and daily allowance for site practice of the Basic Craft Courses and the Construction Supervisor/Technician Programme in 2011/2012 would be increased. The increments were in line with inflation.

Members were advised that the class-size of the bar-bending course under the enhanced construction manpower training scheme would be enlarged from 15 to 20 training places.

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In response to the report on drop-out rates of adult short courses over the past three years from 2007 – 2010, CITB would review and analyse the reasons and propose effective measures to lower the drop-out rate.

The “5-day week” training mode for full-time adult short courses was considered not appropriate.

CITB had endorsed the proposal submitted by the Correctional Services Department to set up workshops for intermediate-level trade test in carpentry and joinery. Trainers would be assigned by CITB to conduct the trade tests.

**3.6 2nd Meeting of Committee on Manpower Training and Development**

Members took note of Paper CIC/CMT/P/025/11.

Members were informed that CPS had presented the revised report of additional study no. 2 to manpower research on off-site technicians. Comments had been given by Com-MTD and the final report would be submitted to the Council in due course.

In view of the great success of the job fair in February organised by the MTR Corporation and supported by CIC, HKCA and the Labour Department, the next round of promotion would be held in September to October this year to further promote the construction industry to the general public and attract more young people to join the industry for sustainable development. Venue of the fair would be confirmed later.

In addition, in collaboration with Hong Kong Bar-Bending Contractors Association and Hong Kong Formwork Association, CIC would be organising recruitment days in June and July respectively in the trades of bar-bending and formwork.

Considering a long waiting list of job seekers, CITB was requested to accommodate and give priority to those applicants on the waiting list for admission to the training courses under collaborative programme.

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3.7 **Any Other Business**

Nil.

There being no further business, the open-door session of the meeting was adjourned at 5:50pm.

**\*\*\*\*\**End of the Open-door Session*\*\*\*\*\***