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The CIC Welcomes Mr. John Lee’s Chief Executive Election Manifesto To Expedite Housing Provision with Innovative Technologies And Prioritise Infrastructure Construction to Improve Livelihoods

Hong Kong • 30 April 2022 - The Construction Industry Council (“CIC”) appreciates the housing scheme put forward by Mr. John LEE, the candidate for Hong Kong Chief Executive, as he unveiled his election manifesto yesterday.

The CIC has been proactively advocating the adoption of innovative construction technologies such as Modular Integrated Construction (“MiC”), Building Information Modelling (“BIM”) and Multi-Trade Integrated Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing (“MiMEP”) works, so as to enhance construction site productivity, sustainability and safety. Highlighted in Mr. LEE’s manifesto, such technologies will be widely adopted in public housing projects, which will reduce construction time and boost housing supply, benefiting millions of Hong Kong people.

Increasing land supply is one of the effective solutions to the plaguing housing issue in Hong Kong. The CIC agreed with Mr. LEE that the Northern Metropolis Development Strategy, Lantau Tomorrow Vision and by means of the Land Resumption Ordinance where appropriate can open up more living space, significantly shortening the waiting time of the Public Rental Housing applicants.

Mr. LEE also stands up for accelerating infrastructure construction, which will create more opportunities for the construction industry and revitalise Hong Kong economy. With the continuous infrastructural investment and other projects, the annual total construction output is expected to be brought up to around HK\$300 billion. The enhancement of infrastructure connectivity with Shenzhen and the Greater Bay Area pledged in the manifesto will cultivate more opportunities for the industry as well. The CIC is committed to keep raising the competitiveness of Hong Kong construction industry in the Greater Bay Area, as well as facilitating the industry participation in the key strategic planning of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area development.



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With the core directions of “streamlining procedures”, “strengthening coordination”, “pursuing diversified developments” and “bringing forward infrastructure construction”, the CIC is confident that the prolonged land and housing issues in Hong Kong can be tackled. The CIC looks forward to the implementation of the mentioned policies, and turning over a new leaf for Hong Kong.

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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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