

**Question on Mega Incinerator at Shek Kwu Chau**  
**(No. TAFEHC 8/2015)**

**Written Reply of Planning Department**

The Shek Kwu Chau Integrated Waste Management Facilities (IWMF) fall within an area zoned “Other Specified Use” annotated ‘Integrated Waste Management Facilities’ on the Shau Kwu Chau Outline Zoning Plan (the OZP). The planning intention of the zone is primarily to designate land for integrated waste management facilities which provide waste treatment by advanced thermal incineration and waste sorting and recycling for the municipal solid waste generated in Hong Kong.

Under the current statutory planning procedures, the public can submit representations and/or comments on the draft statutory plans. The representers and commenters will be invited to attend and make oral representations to the Board at the hearing meeting. The Town Planning Board (TPB) will thoroughly consider the views of representers and commenters and decide whether to make amendments to the draft plan.

As for the consultation procedures of the OZP, on 21.3.2011, the Planning Department consulted the Tourism, Agriculture, Fishers and Environmental Hygiene Committee (TAFEHC) of the Islands District Council before the draft Shau Kwu Chau OZP No. S/I-SKC/1 was gazetted. TAFEHC agreed to reject the consultation paper and call on the Government to terminate the plan to build an incinerator on Shek Kwu Chau. In addition, before the discussion at the meeting, representatives of the Cheung Chau Rural Committee (RC) and South Lantau RC submitted two letters to the Planning Department expressing their objection to the proposed IWMF. On 29.4.2011, the above comments were submitted to TPB for further consideration. Having considered the above views, TPB agreed that the draft OZP was suitable for publication under section 5 of the Town Planning Ordinance (the Ordinance).

On 29.4.2011, the draft Shau Kwu Chau OZP No. S/I-SKC/1 was exhibited for public inspection under section 5 of the Ordinance. During the exhibition period, a total of 33 representations and 4 comments were received, including the objections from Cheung Chau RC and Kaifong Representatives. On 17.1.2012, TPB considered all the representations and the related comments under section 6B of

the Ordinance. The representers and commenters were invited to the hearing to make oral submissions direct. Representatives from Cheung Chau RC and Kaifong Representatives have attended the hearing. Upon consideration of the representations and comments, the TPB decided not to propose any amendment to the draft OZP to meet the representations. On 13.3.2012, the Chief Executive in Council approved the draft Shek Kwu Chau OZP, which was subsequently renumbered as S/I-SKC/2 and exhibited for public inspection on 23.3.2012.

Please refer to the **Appendix** for the statutory planning procedure of the Shek Kwu Chau OZP.

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**The Statutory Planning Procedure of the Shek Kwu Chau Outline Zoning Plan**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Procedure</b>
7.2.2011	Under the power delegated by the Chief Executive, the Secretary for Development directed TPB to prepare an OZP for the Shek Kwu Chau area
25.2.2011	TPB considered the draft OZP, and agreed to consult the Islands District Council on the draft OZP and Notes
21.3.2011	Planning Department consulted the TAFEHC on the draft OZP
8.4.2011	TPB further considered the draft OZP, and noted the views of the TAFEHC and the departmental responses
29.4.2011	The draft Shek Kwu Chau OZP No. S/I-SKC/1 was exhibited for public inspection. During the two-month exhibition period which ended on 29.6.2011, a total of 33 representations were received.
15.7.2011	TPB published the representations for three weeks for public comments. Upon expiry of the publication period on 5.8.2011, 4 comments were received.
17.1.2012	TPB considered all the representations and the related comments and decided not to propose any amendment to the draft OZP to meet the representations.
13.3.2012	The Chief Executive in Council approved the draft Shek Kwu Chau OZP, which was subsequently renumbered as S/I-SKC/2.
23.3.2012	The approved Shek Kwu Chau OZP No. S/I-SKC/2 was exhibited for public inspection.