

**Brief Notes of Liaison Meeting between Fire Services Department (FSD) and the Authorized Persons (APs)**

**Date** : 29 July 2022 (Friday)  
**Time** : 1600 hours

\*Video conference was conducted

**Matters Discussed in the Meeting :**

1. **General Building Plan (GBP) Submission and FSI Acceptance Inspection**

**Performance Indicators**

The figures related to the performance indicators for GBP processed and FSI acceptance inspection for New Projects Division, Airport Expansion Project Division and Railway Development Strategy Division were presented. APs had no comment on the performance indicators presented.

2. **Car Parking Facilities with Automated Parking System**

Further to FSD's suggestions given to BD on 22.3.2022, response from BD was still pending. Meanwhile, a number of GBPs for APS projects had been approved, including car park facilities for the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge user at the Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities topside development "Inbound car park A & B" with 1,600 and 1,000 parking spaces respectively. FSIs would be provided in accordance with the information paper.

The Chairman supplemented that an FSD circular letter would be issued if BD had no adverse comment. He also thanked APs for their cooperation as the information paper and recommendations given by FSD on APS were well accepted by the trade.

3. **Review on Fire Safety Requirements for Car Ports**

With positive feedback and comments received from relevant stakeholders and government departments, response to comments on the information paper was prepared and would be issued accordingly. An FSD circular letter prescribing the fire safety requirements would be issued this year.

4. **Review of FSI Code (2012)**

The latest version of Codes of Practice (September 2022) was published on FSD Website on 15.7.2022 and would be implemented with effect from 1.9.2022. An FSD Circular Letter for promulgation of the new Codes of Practice was also issued on 15.7.2022 with relevant documents uploaded onto FSD Website. A briefing session on the introduction to the new Codes of Practice was conducted for the trade on 21.7.2022 through the platform of “FSD Connects with the Construction Industry”.

The Chairman thanked APs for their valuable comments on the new Codes of Practice. He also explained that the new Codes of Practice would be put into general use with effect from 1 September 2022 in order to allow sufficient time for the trade to observe relevant provisions.

APs thanked FSD for holding the briefing session and asked if more briefing sessions could be organized. It was advised that FSD would consider uploading the briefing materials onto FSD website for the trade to access.

5. **Public Consultation on Proposed Amendments to the Fire Safety (Buildings) Ordinance, Cap. 572 ("FS(B)O")**

The Government had launched a public consultation on proposed amendments to FS(B)O as from 5.7.2022 to 13.9.2022. Members were invited to attend an online briefing to be organized by SB, FSD and BD in early August 2022 tentatively and to share their views on the proposal.