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Dear Sir/Madam,

**Response to the Hung Shui Kiu New Development Area (HSK NDA) –
Planning and Engineering Study – Stage 3 Community Engagement**

Hong Kong Green Strategy Alliance (HKGSA) is a non-profit making organization founded in 2012 by a group of professionals and stakeholders who are visionary and wish to undertake the responsibility on the issues of environmental protection and sustainable development. Through active participation, discussions and exchange of views in green issues, projects and technologies etc., HKGSA would offer our professional opinions and solutions to tackle green issues in Hong Kong and neighbouring region.

HKGSA would like to submit views related to the Hung Shui Kiu New Development Area. Please find enclosed our submission in Appendix for your perusal.

Should you have any queries, please feel free to contact me at 9032 3816 (drwklo@gmail.com) or our Honorary Secretary Ir Kenny Wong at 2788 5647 / 9482 3227 (irkennywong@gmail.com).

Yours sincerely,

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Response to the Hung Shui Kiu New Development Area (HSK NDA)- Planning and Engineering Study – Stage 3 Community Engagement

The Green Strategy Alliance is pleased to respond to the Stage 3 Community Engagement of the captioned development as follows:

1. We fully supported the planning of HSK NDA as part of strategy to solve the housing shortage in Hong Kong. The proposed development of additional 60,100 new housing flats for a new population of about 173,000 with a public-private housing mix of 51:49 is considered to be appropriate. In addition the new NDA will be developed as a regional economic and civic hub to create about 150,000 new employment opportunities which can greatly enhance the economic vitality and social development of Hong Kong. The Green Strategy Alliance therefore urges the Government to complete all the planning processes as soon as possible and put the development into action.
2. Being a professional body that promotes green and sustainable development, we support all the feature highlights on creating a green city as spelled out in p15 of the Stage 3 Community Engagement Digest . In particular, the proposed community green station and organic waste treatment facilities can greatly contribute to the reduction of waste to be disposed to the soon-to-be depleted landfill site. In addition, the proposed rail based development and green mobility (using walkways and cycle tracks) can encourage the citizens to adopt green living style. To further strengthen the green living style promotion, the Government is recommended to investigate the feasibility of :
 - (a) Incorporating a community based bicycle rental programme which have been successfully implemented in many overseas cities such as London, Berlin and Coperhagan. By doing so, the citizens in the NDA are encouraged to refrain from using fossil fuel driven vehicles.
 - (b) Maximizing the use of renewable energy in buildings and infrastructure support facilities such as the use of solar/wind powered street lights
3. The proposed regenerated river channels and high quality riverside promenades are important features of greening of the neighbourhood and should be considered to be a major landmark for the NDA.

4. The proposed planning of the HSK NDA as an economic and employment node should also be one of the crucial development. Apart from the land allocated for the commerce and retail, about 59 ha of land has been reserved for logistics, enterprise & technology and industry. The adequacy of this land use should be further examined and the possibility of including land provision for creative industry should be considered.

5. Hong Kong Government is now promoting the development of local waste recycling industry as part of integral waste management strategy. It is understood that some of the waste recyclers are now operating in the NDA and their operation may be affected by the proposed new development. Hence, a study should be conducted to review the scale of the existing recycling operation in the NDA, the possible impacts caused by the development and the mitigation measures to reduce the effect.