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Dear All,

A stakeholder engagement forum was held on 8th October, 2011, the minutes of which had been uploaded and could be viewed at our official website (www.bol-hk.com). We thank all the attendees for actively taking part in the discussion and giving their valuable opinions. The forum gave The Baroque on Lamma (BoL) a precious opportunity to meet with our stakeholders and most importantly to listen to their views and concerns. We value each and every comment and would consider them carefully.

The public inspection period for the supplementary information submitted to the Town Planning Board on 8th September 2011 ended on 14 October 2011. The Town Planning Board received some 2,300 submissions, with about 1,300 of them supportive of our application, which reflected that on-going communication does give the general public a better idea and understanding of our vision.

We will continue to share the project's latest news and related information through this platform and our official website. If you have any suggestions or inquiries, please feel free to contact us through enquiry@bol-hk.com.

Marina - Boon or Bane to the Fishery Ground?

BoL had included a Fishery Impact Assessment in the S12A submission and the same will be included in the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report for approval by Environmental Protection Department (EPD). Finding to date was that while there will be a loss of fishery ground within the footprints of the marina, there will be long term benefits on the fishery resources.

The existing seabed within the confine of the marina comprises mainly of soft sediments. The proposed breakwater and the submarine structures serve the function of artificial reef. There is considerable knowledge in Hong Kong and elsewhere on the natural colonization of artificial reef with species such as seaweeds, crustaceans, bivalves, soft corals, amphipods, anemones, and mobile fauna including crabs and fish. Hence, the marina breakwater and other submarine structures will attract fish and other marine invertebrates into the area for food and shelter, resulting in enhanced fishery resources in the area in the long term.

Is The Baroque on Lamma a Project for Everyone?

This multi-billion project will create jobs and opportunities for both Lamma residents and the people of Hong Kong. Consultants and contractors are engaged for investigation, planning, design and implementation of the project. During construction stage, thousands of jobs are created not only for the construction works on site but also for logistic and supporting services. Local residents can provide some of the services and local restaurants will be benefited from the enlarged customer base. During operation stage, hospitality, catering retail, estate management and other consumer services will create demand for the large number of staff. When there is major event, temporary staff will also be needed.



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Breakwater as an artificial reef



Yacht Crews

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It is also worth noting that BoL can potentially become a yacht crew and maintenance team training/recruitment centre to meet the growing demand from a fast expanding fleet of yachts in China and Asia, which are new employment opportunities desirable for Hong Kong. More specific to this development is the "green job opportunities".

The Conservation Corridor will be the base for research, education and eco-tours within the Corridor and in the vicinity, which will employ a large number of trained staff of different background. The development also offers testing ground for research development, and implementation of renewable energies, waste recycling, water recycling and the sustainable design technologies. If a Green Turtle and Marine Life Research Centre can be set up, it can become an important base for research in marine ecology including green turtle and fishery. There is also scope for "live" natural history exhibition and activities managed by relevant institutions/organizations.

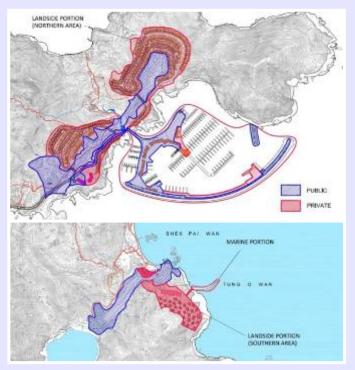
BoL is designed as an open community for enjoyment of the general public as well as the residents and workers there. They are free to enjoy themselves at waterfront plaza, use the road link between northern and southern part, hike on the footpath through the Conservation Corridor or on mountain trail to other parts of Lamma, swim at the public beach at Tung O and admire the breathtaking view of Tung O Wan from the hill top public viewing gallery. They can take guided tour through the Conservation Corridor, attend interest classes, learn about Lamma's natural history and human settlement, and learn how to appreciate culture and nature as well as to respect them.



Green Job Opportunities



Various job opportunities: Yachts Repair and Maintenance



Blue shaded area is accessible to public

Yours Sincerely, The Baroque on Lamma