

Construction Industry Council

Committee on Construction Business Development and Mainland Liaison

Meeting No. 002/23 of the Committee on Construction Business Development and Mainland Liaison (Com-CBD & ML) was held on Thursday, 1 June 2023 at 2:30pm at the Board Room, 29/F, Tower 2, Enterprise Square Five (MegaBox), 38 Wang Chiu Road, Kowloon Bay, Kowloon, Hong Kong

Summary Notes of the Com-CBD & ML Meeting No. 002/23:

Agenda Item	Paper	Major Resolutions / Progress Highlights
2.1	CIC/CBD/M/001/23	Confirmation of the Minutes of Meeting No. 001/23 Members took note of the Paper CIC/CBD/M/001/23 and confirmed the Minutes of Meeting No. 001/23 held on Thursday, 9 March 2023.
2.2	CIC/CBD/M/001/23	Matters Arising from the Last Meeting Item 1.3, update on Work Plan of Follow-up Actions for Recommendations of the Report of Study on Strategic Review for Uplifting Construction Capacity. The 16 initiatives had been disseminated to the relevant departments for follow-up.
2.3	CIC/CBDML/P/005/2 3 (for approval)	Construction Expenditure Forecast (2022/23 – 2031/32) Representatives from Rider Levett Bucknall briefed Members on the Construction Expenditure Forecast from 2022/23 to 2031/32. Members approved the Construction Expenditure Forecast. The Forecast would be published on the CIC website, along with a press release.
2.4	CIC/CBDML/P/006/2 3 (for endorsement)	Business Plan 2024 of Committee on Construction Business Development and Mainland Liaison

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		Members were briefed on Paper CIC/CBDML/006/23 regarding Business Plan 2024 of Committee on Construction Business Development and Mainland Liaison. Members endorsed the 2024 Business Plan and associated Budget. The Business Plan would be further considered by the Executive Committee in September 2023 and ultimately approved by the Council in October 2023.
2.5	CIC/CBDML/P/007/2 3 (for approval)	Study Tour to London Members were briefed on Paper CIC/CBDML/007/23 regarding the plan including the proposed itinerary, delegation list and estimated expenses for the study tour to London. Members approved the plan for study tour to London.
2.6	*CIC/CBDML/P/008/ 23* (for information)	★Release of “Alert on Cashflow Problems” Members were requested to take note of the starred discussion paper *CIC/CBDML/P/008/23*. Members approved its publication on the CIC website and dissemination to industry stakeholder groups and associations.
2.7	--	Not Used
2.8	--	Progress Update on Task Force on Greater Bay Area (a) Members were briefed on the progress of the Task Force. The CIC Guangdong Office was officially registered in May 2023, and the grand opening was scheduled for 24 July 2023. (b) GBA team had completed six visits to Mainland China in the first five months of this year, which included visits to the MiC factories and organisations in Guangzhou and Shenzhen as well as attending SmartHK event organised by Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC) in Guangzhou. Ten more visits/events to Mainland China, such as signature courses on national affairs in Beijing and visit to Huawei in Shenzhen, etc. had been planned until the end of 2023.

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2.9	--	Progress Update on Task Force on Review and Enhancement of Construction Contract Terms Members were briefed on the progress of the Task Force. The tender of the consultancy study on review and enhancement of construction contract terms was approved by Com-CBD on 26 April 2023. It was anticipated that the tender would be issued by the first week of June 2023 and returned by end of June.
2.10	--	Progress Update on 2023 Major KPIs Members were briefed on the progress of 2023 Major KPIs. The progress of the Major KPIs was generally on track.
2.11	--	Any Other Business (a) Update on Security of Payment Legislation (SOPL) Members were briefed by Boris YIU, the Chief Assistant Secretary (Works) 4 of Development Bureau, on the latest status of Security of Payment Legislation (SOPL). After gathering the comments from industry practitioners through public consultation in the past few months, the draft bill of SOPL was refined and targeted to be tabled to Legislative Council for passage at the end of 2023.

Remarks: The mentioned papers and/or progress reports discussed at the Com-CBD & ML can be made available to Council Members from the CIC Secretariat upon request.