

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (95) Leisure and Cultural Services Department
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Question:

It is stated under Programme (3) that the Government expects the cumulative total of buildings/structures/sites declared as monuments in 2017 to increase by 3 over last year. In this connection, please provide the following information:

- (1) names, owners, locations and historic information of the 3 monuments involved as well as the estimated expenditures for their restoration;
- (2) total establishment of technical staff who currently negotiate with owners of private historic buildings and provide support, as well as the annual estimated expenditure; and
- (3) details of the restoration, repair and maintenance projects for historic buildings/structures/sites completed in this financial year and the expenditures incurred, as well as detailed plans for their opening to the public.

Asked by: Hon MAK Mei-kuen, Alice (Member Question No. 24)

Reply:

- (1) The Government plans to declare three historic buildings as monuments in 2017. Liaison between the owners and relevant government departments is in progress, and details of any declaration will be announced in due course.
- (2) The administration of the Financial Assistance for Maintenance Scheme (FAS) involves three staff of the Antiquities and Monuments Office, and the estimated salary provision for 2017-18 is \$1.72 million.
- (3) Restoration and maintenance projects completed under the FAS in 2016-17 as well as arrangements for public access are set out at Annex.

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Name of Building	Scope of Works	Arrangement for Public Access	Works Commencement Date	Works Completion Date	Approved Amount (\$)
Ancestral Hall (Middle Hall) of Tsang Tai Uk, Shatin	Restoration of roof, repair ceremonial screens and upgrading of electrical system	Public access to the ancestral hall is allowed during daytime	December 2015	May 2016	1,000,000
Lai Mansion, Lai Uk Tsuen, Pat Heung, Yuen Long	Restoration of the roof of entrance hall; repair roof ridges and other maintenance works	Public access to the forecourt, central aisle of the entrance and main halls is allowed from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays	March 2016	July 2016	1,000,000
Shrine of Tin Sam Tsuen, Yuen Long	Repair of roof, main door, brick wall, altar and other maintenance works	Public access to the entire shrine (except the cockloft) is allowed during daytime	June 2016	October 2016	936,000
No. 60 Kat Hing Street, Tai O	Repair of spalled concrete, brickwork, rendering and waterproofing on roof	Public access to the main hall on G/F is allowed from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays or by appointment from Monday to Friday	April 2016	December 2016	1,000,000
No. 71 San Wai Tsuen, Yuen Long	Repair and waterproofing works on the roof and related drainage rectification works and other maintenance works	Public access to the house's surrounding areas and garden is allowed by appointment at once a month, particularly on Sundays or public holidays from 10:00 a.m. to	July 2016	December 2016	896,020

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		1:30 p.m. and from 2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.			
St. Stephen's Chapel, Stanley	Repair of roof, repainting works and other maintenance works	Public access to the chapel is allowed on Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays by appointment	August 2016	December 2016	1,000,000

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