

27 October 2021

Chairman and Members

Town Planning Board

15/F, North Point Government Offices

333 Java Road, North Point

Hong Kong

Fax: 2877 0245;

Email: tpbpd@pland.gov.hk

Re: Draft Pui O Au Outline Zoning Plan No. S/I-POA/1

Dear Chairman and Members,

Designing Hong Kong **supports** the captioned draft Outline Zoning Plan as it ensures the greatest possible planning and development control in Pui O Au, and protects the rural and natural character with conservation value of the area.

However, we have further comments on the Draft Pui O Au Outline Zoning Plan regarding the following:

- The natural upstream section of Pui O Ecologically Important Stream (EIS) runs through in this area. The area along the stream should have better protection by zoning for conservation uses in order to protect the natural stream and avoid pollution in it from human activities. We suggest to zone the two sides of the river as Conservation Area (CA) to provide sufficient protection to the watercourse.
- There is no recognised village or village environs in this plan. With only a few village houses clustered in the south western part of the plan, we think there is no need to reserve excessive land for small houses in the Plan. We suggest to confine the V zone to the existing village settlement to control human development and to minimize human disturbance to the nature.

Here we submit our concerns for your consideration.

Yours,

Designing Hong Kong Limited