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Association for Geoconservation, Hong Kong

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The Secretary
Town Planning Board
15/F, North Point Government Offices
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(E-mail: tpbpd@pland.gov.hk)

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Comments on Representations of Draft Po Toi Islands Outline Zoning Plan No.
S/I-PTI/1

Refer to the representations submitted during the public inspection period of captioned draft, the Association for Geoconservation, Hong Kong would like to comment as follows:-

1. We strongly object rezoning of CA into the development of Memorial Gardens and Columbarium as proposed in R9 and R10. These developments will require tree removal and vegetation clearance which will deteriorate the ecological habitats that seriously affect bird migration. Besides, columbarium development will adversely impact the landscape and aesthetics of Po Toi.
2. We are of serious concern that the proposed V zone and R(D) would increase human disturbance to the surroundings as well as causing water pollution and public health problem by the sewerage runoff.
3. We support Po Toi Islands to be ultimately designated as Country Park. The conservation of Po Toi's significant ecological, geological, geomorphological and cultural attractions with its tranquil rural setting is of prime public interest, both locally and internationally. This would be best protected under the Country Parks Ordinance.



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With the conservation of these attractions, Po Toi can be developed as an outdoor educational classroom for students as well as sustainable tourism sites including bird watching, eco and geo touring for the public that can also greatly benefit local communities.

Conclusion

There is nowhere else in Hong Kong which combines such high ecological, geological and cultural value in one small island as Po Toi, we must conserve it at our best efforts.

Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

Best regards,

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