

Appendix 3

Approved Geotechnical Planning Review Report of Last Application
No. A/SK-PK/268

**Proposed Temporary
Private Swimming Pool and Garden for
a Period of 3 Years at
Lot 1122 Ext and Adjoining Government Land in D.D. 217,
House 5B, Habitat, Pak Sha Wan,
Sai Kung, New Territories**

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1. INTRODUCTION

Philip So & Associates Ltd. is appointed by the subject Lot owner to prepare the Geotechnical Planning Review Report (GPRR) for the proposed temporary swimming pool to replace the existing swimming pool with the same dimensions at Lot 1122 Ext and Adjoining Government Land in D.D. 217, House 5B, Habitat, Pak Sha Wan, Sai Kung, New Territories

This GPPR is made based on desk study and review of available documentary information for the proposed “Temporary Private Swimming Pool and Garden” for a period of 3 years.

The geology and site conditions are described. Potential geotechnical constraints are identified in the assessment.

2. THE SITE AND THE FEATURES

The site is at a relatively flat terrace at Pak Sha Wan, New Territories. According to the available SIS records obtained from Geotechnical Engineering Office (GEO), there is a registered geotechnical feature No. 7SE-D/C86 lies in the vicinity of the site (see Photos 1 to 3 given in Appendix A). The general view of the existing swimming pool on site is shown in Photo 4 given in Appendix A.

Based on the SIMAR report, the Highways Department is responsible for the maintenance of the said feature. A copy of the SIMAR report and slope records are enclosed in Appendix B and C respectively. The location of the said feature is presented in Figure 1.

2.1 Existing Geotechnical Feature

Feature No. 7SE-D/C86

The Feature is situated due east of the site. According to SIS records, the Feature is a cut slope of about 115m long. The maximum height of the cut slope is 8.5m with an average angle of 60° inclining to horizontal. With reference to the SIMAR record retrieved from Land Department, Highways Department is responsible for maintenance of this Feature. The “proposed swimming pool and garden” will be situated on the slope crest area. An existing road with heavy traffic density is situated at the slope toe

3. DESK STUDY

Desk study has been carried out to search and review the existing building records, previous ground investigation data and geotechnical study reports kept by the Geotechnical Information Unit (GIU) of Geotechnical Engineering Office (GEO) and the Buildings Department (BD).

Ground investigation was carried out at the toe of Feature No. 7SE-D/C86 for a private project, namely "272DS-Port Shelter Sewerage, Stage 2 Tai Chung Hau and Pak Sha Wan Sewerage", with ground investigation report prepared by Enpack (Hong Kong) Limited in Sep 1997. The borehole records indicated that the Feature toe comprises highly decomposed Tuff (HDT) overlaid by a thin layer of Fill (see Appendix D).

3.1 Geological Maps

The geology of the Study Area is shown on the Hong Kong Geological Survey (HKGS) Map Sheet 7 (Sha Tin), 1:20,000-scale HGM20 series. The local geology of the Study Area is presented in Figure 3 and described below.

3.1.1 Solid Geology

The 1:20,000 scale geological maps indicated that regional area around the Site is underlain by coarse ash crystal tuff, (Krl_cat) of the Long Harbour Formation.

4. IMPACTS OF PROPOSED WORKS ON EXISTING SLOPES

A registered slope feature No. 7SE-D/C86 is located due east of the site. According to the SIS record, the maximum height of the feature is about 8.5m with 115m long measured along its toe. The average slope gradient is about 60 degrees to the horizontal. As the feature has stood for a long time without evidence of major distress or instability, it is expected that this feature will continue to be in a stable condition under the present condition. Nevertheless, the stability has to be checked with respect to the “proposed swimming pool and garden”, based on the subsurface conditions and shear strength parameters of soil/rock obtained from site specific ground investigation.

4.1 PORTION OF SLOPE FEATURE NO. 7SE-D/C86 AFFECTED BY THE PROPOSED SWIMMING POOL AND GARDEN

4.1.1 General

The slope Feature No. 7SE-D/C86 does not need to be modified in the proposed usage, however its stability condition has to be assessed.

In order to fulfill the above-mentioned objective, a comprehensive investigation programme will be implemented comprising the following:-

- a) Detailed ground investigation including in-situ and laboratory soil testing to identify the soil parameters together with the monitoring of groundwater table, by sinking vertical drillholes and/or trial pits on site;
- b) Establishment of geological and hydrogeological model based on the findings from topographic survey and the ground investigation works.

4.2 General Approaches for Site Formation, ELS, Superstructure and Foundation Design

Judging from the site conditions and the proposed swimming pool and garden, the following approaches shall be adopted for the future site formations, ELS, and structure design and foundation design:-

- a) To assess the effects to the adjacent roads and the subject slope feature due to the proposed swimming pool and garden and to provide adequate upgrading measures as necessary;
- b) To design the temporary excavation and lateral support works in order to minimize adverse effects onto the adjacent roads and the feature due to the proposed structural works. Sheetpile wall or other methods are feasible options for ELS works.
- c) To provide shallow foundation is considered necessary in order to support the future pool structure.
- d) To assess the stability of the existing feature and to provide adequate upgrading measures as necessary.

4.3 Site Formation, Structure and Foundation Approach

The proposed works comprise swimming pool and garden.

Ground investigation works including trial pits and/or vertical boreholes shall be sunk to confirm the thickness of the soil stratum and the groundwater table level. Soil sampling and laboratory testing shall be conducted in order to identify the soil parameters for different types of soil in the subject site.

Stability assessment for the feature, including the ELS shall be checked to ensures the subject feature will not affect the nearby public road. Adequate upgrading measures, such as installation of soil nails in the slope or installation of soldier pipe wall along the slope crest shall be provided as necessary if the feature cannot fulfill the current engineering standards.

5. CONCLUSION

Based on the above discussion, it can be concluded that the proposed development is considered to be feasible from geotechnical point of view. The construction would be straight forward unlikely posing particular problems to the surrounding area under careful planning, proper execution and vigilant supervision.

It is essential to search and review the background information of adjacent building, geotechnical feature and underground services within and in the vicinity of the site. Ground investigation is proposed to reveal/confirm the subsoils and the ground regime within and in the vicinity of the site as well as to determine the engineering properties of subsoils and rock. The ground investigation field works should be preceded under supervision of suitably qualified engineers and technically competent persons conforming the requirements specified in the "Code of Practice for Site Supervision 2009" published by the BD.

For safety and cost effective, the foundation design and slope stability assessment and excavation planning as well as the design of strengthening measures as necessary should be based on geological horizons inferred from the ground investigation results, groundwater table interpreted from the piezometer/standpipe monitoring records and geotechnical parameters determined and adopted by field and laboratory testing.

A comprehensive precautionary monitoring program including settlement markers, tilting, vibration check points as well as groundwater observation wells shall be implemented to ensure demolition of existing substructure and construction of the proposed swimming pool and garden to be carried out in a safe manner.

FIGURES

Figure 1
Site Location Plan

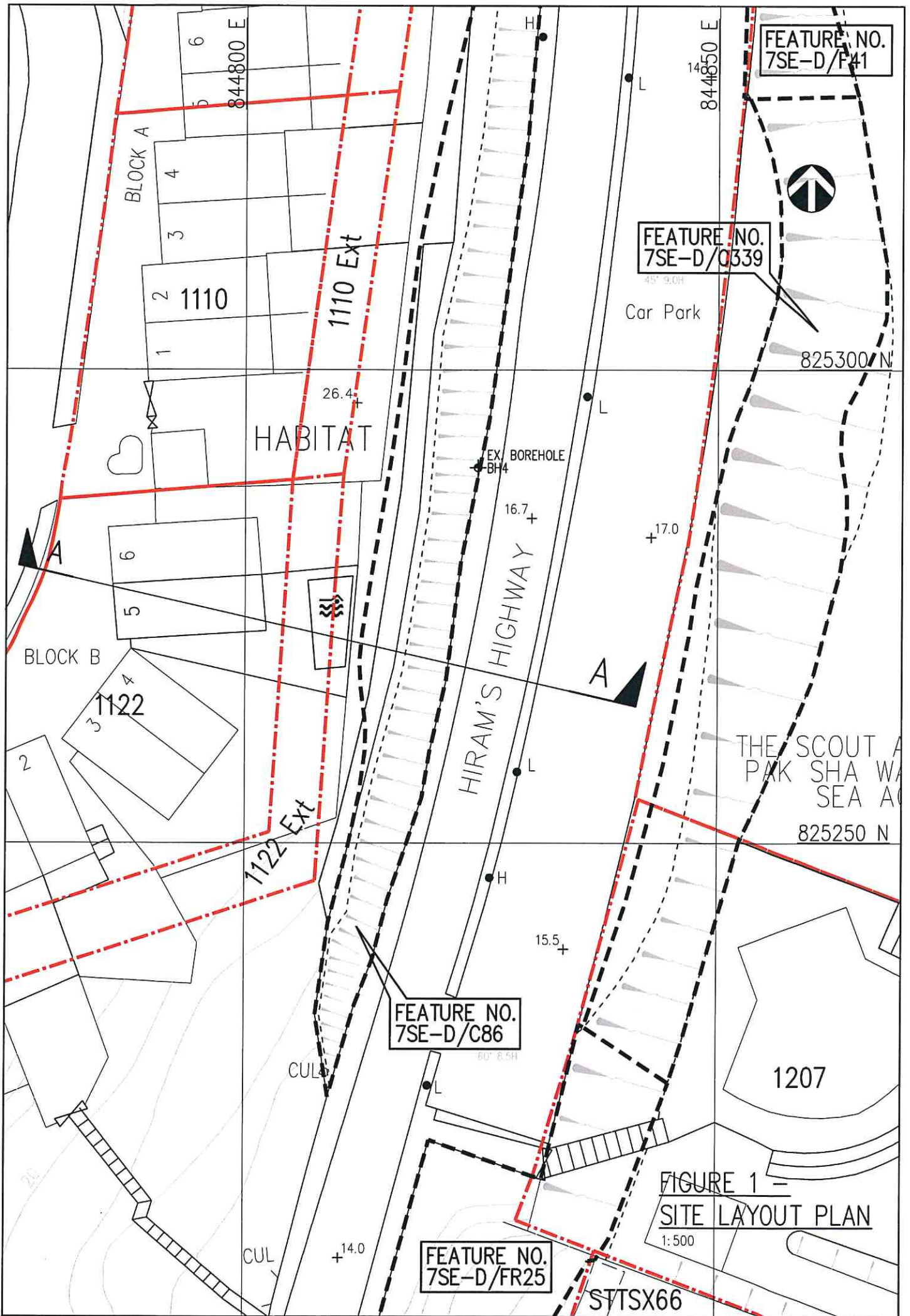


Figure 2

Sections

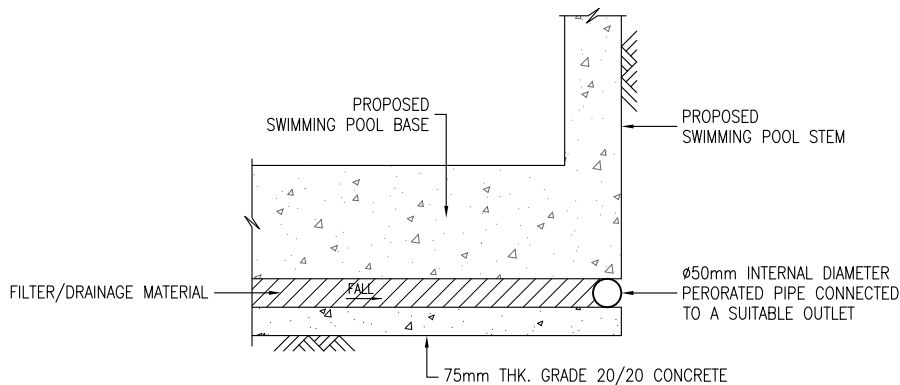
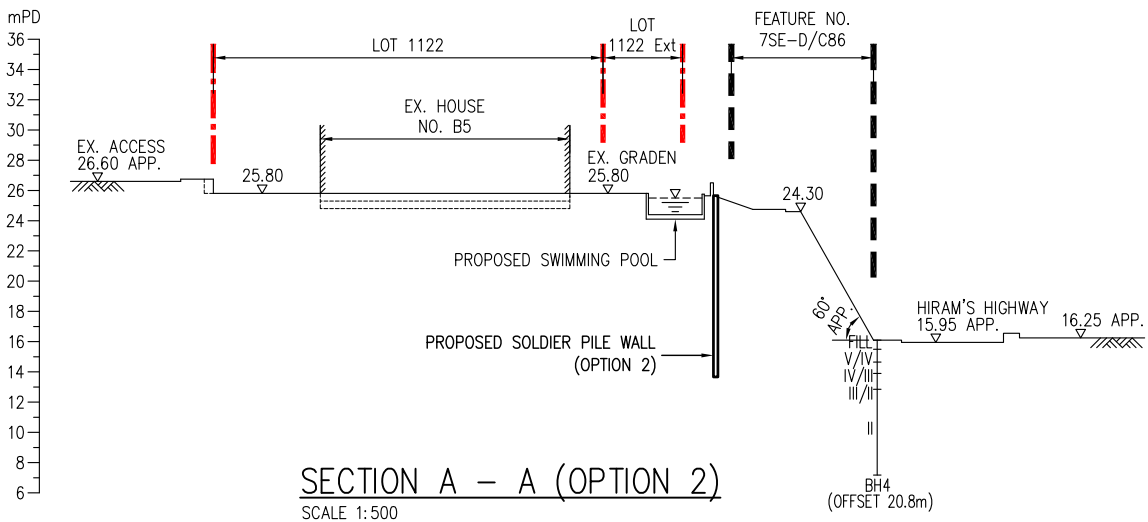
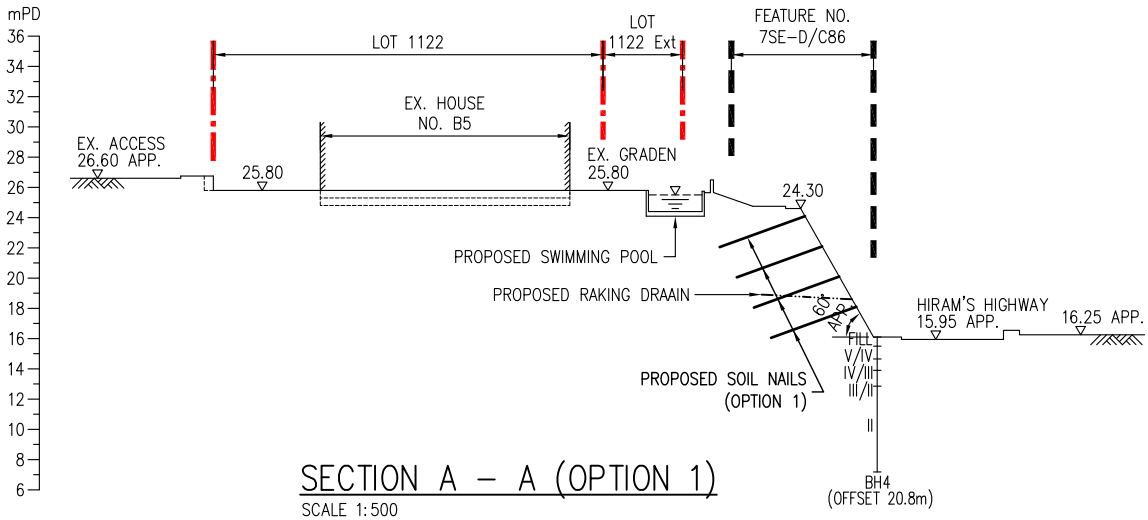
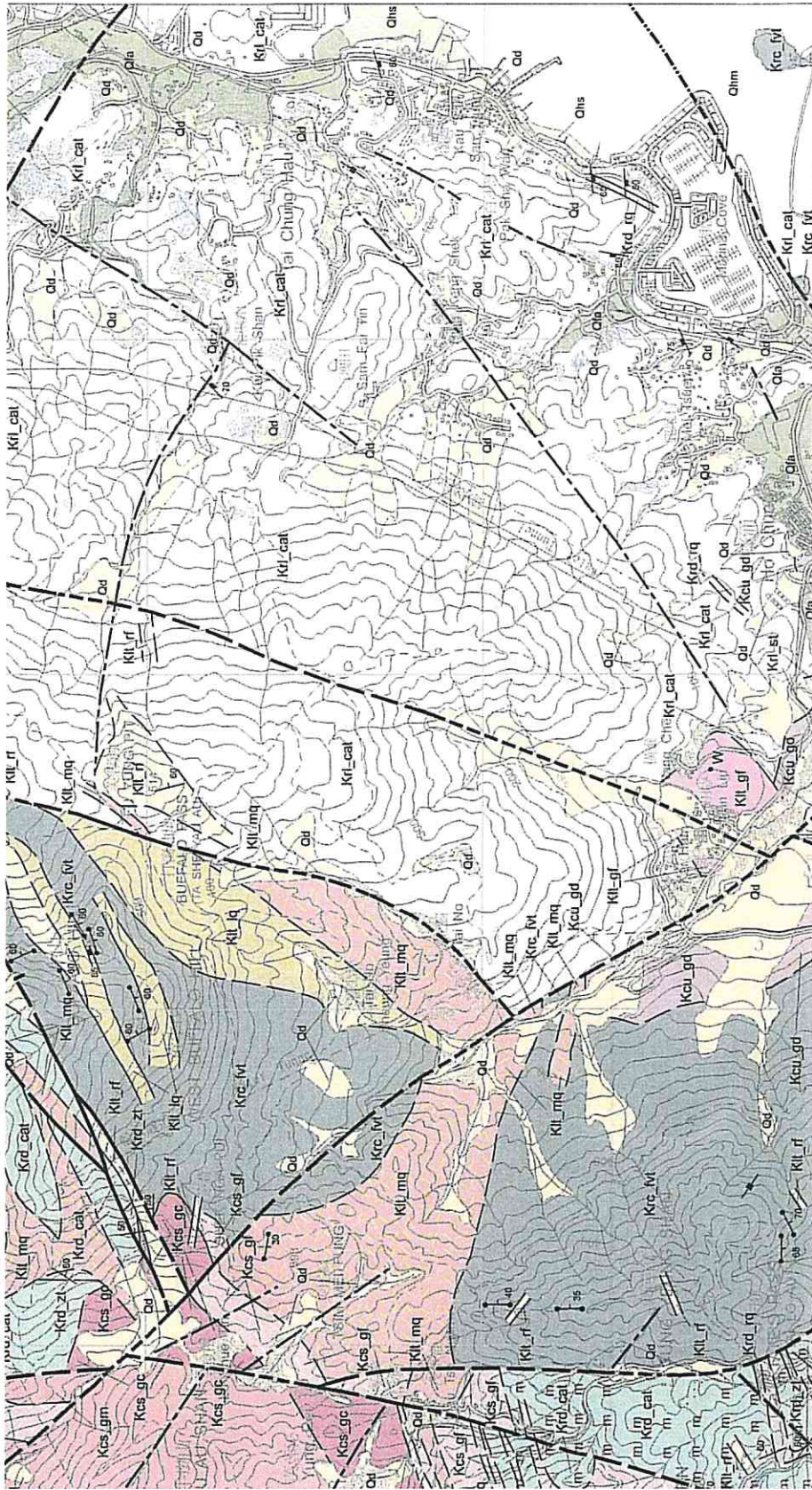


FIGURE 2 - SECTIONS AND TYPICAL DETAILS

Figure 3
Geological Map



9 26

9 25

9 24 000' N

9 45 000' E

9 44

9 43

9 42

9 41

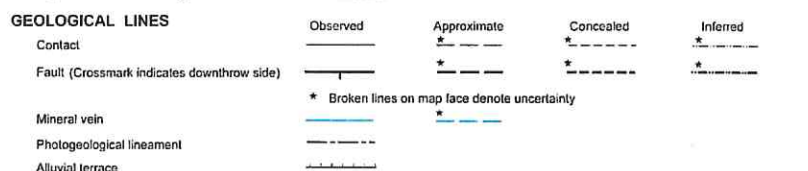
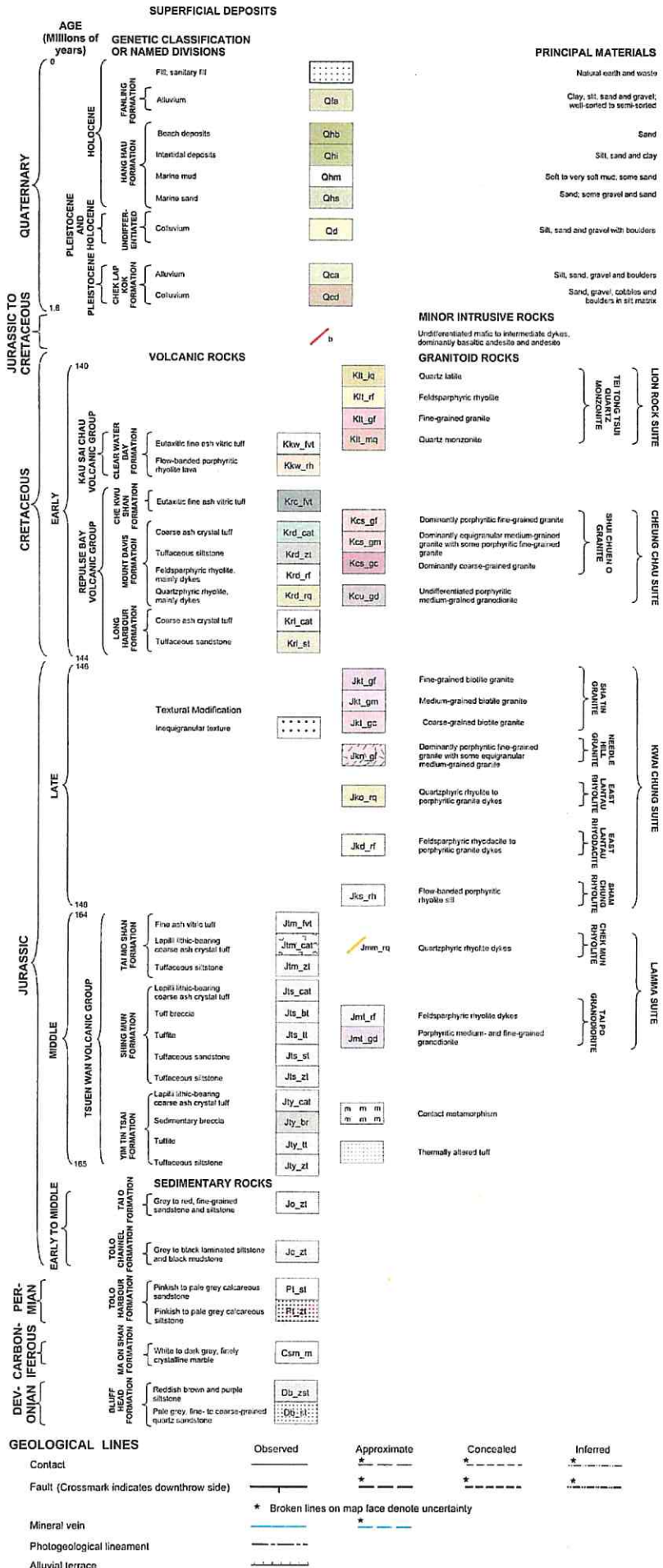
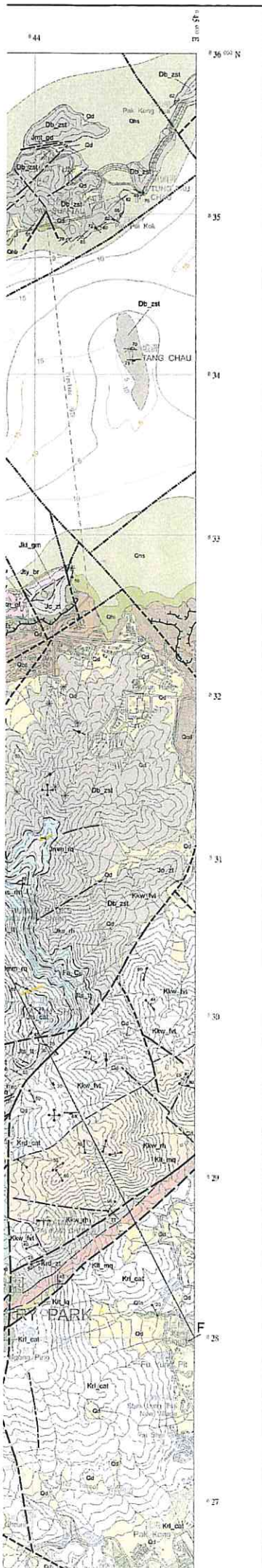
HONG KONG GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

SHA TIN

Sheet 7

SOLID AND SUPERFICIAL GEOLOGY

Series HGM20
Scale 1:20 000



BASIC INFORMATION

Location: S of J/N B/T HABITAT & HIRAM'S HIGHWAY, SK

Date of Formation: pre-1977

Date of Construction/
Modification:

Approximate Coordinates: Easting : 844820 Northing : 825295

CONSEQUENCE-TO-LIFE CATEGORY

Facility at Crest: Densely-used playground

Distance of Facility from Crest (m): 0

Facility at Toe: Road/footpath with heavy traffic density

Distance of Facility from Toe (m): 0

Consequence-to-life Category: 2

Remarks: N/A

SLOPE PART

(1) Max. Height (m): 8.5 Length (m): 115 Average Angle (deg): 60

WALL PART

N/A

Appendix A

Photographs



Photo 1: Photo showing the southern portion of Feature No. 7SE-D/C86



Photo 2: Photo showing the mid portion of Feature No. 7SE-D/C86



Photo 3: Photo showing the northern portion of Feature No. 7SE-D/C86



Photo 4: General view of existing swimming pool on site

Appendix B

SIMAR Record - Feature No. 7SE-D/C86

Slope Maintenance Responsibility Report

(7SE-D/C86)


**ESTATE MANAGEMENT SECTION
LANDS DEPARTMENT**
List of Slope Maintenance Responsibility Area(s)

1	7SE-D/C86	Sub-Division	Not Applicable
	Location	ADJOINING HIRAM'S HIGHWAY NEAR SPOT LEVEL 16.7	
	Responsible Lot/Party	Highways Department	Maintenance Agent Highways Department
	Remarks	For enquiries about the maintenance of this slope / sub-division of the slope, please contact the Maintenance Agent directly.	

- End of Report -

Notes:

- (i) The location plan in Annex is for identification purposes of slope(s) only.
- (ii) The slope(s) as listed in the Slope Maintenance Responsibility Report may not be shown on the location plan in Annex.

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Appendix C

Slope Records Retrieved from CEDD - Feature No. 7SE-D/C86

MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITY

Government Feature Party: HyD Agent: HyD

DETAILS OF SLOPE / RETAINING WALL

Date of Inspection: 01-02-2011
Data Source: EI(HyD)
Slope Part Drainage: (1) Position: Berm Size(mm): 225
(2) Position: Crest Size(mm): 225
(3) Position: Stepped Size(mm): 225
(4) Position: Toe Size(mm): 225

Wall Part Drainage: N/A

SLOPE PART

Slope Part (1)
Surface Protection (%): Bare: 0 Vegetated: 60 Chunam: 0 Shotcrete: 0 Other Cover: 40
Material Description: Material type: Soil Geology: N/A
Berm: No. of Berms: 1 Min. Berm Width (m): 0.6
Weepholes: Size (mm): N/A Spacing (m): N/A

WALL PART

N/A

SERVICES

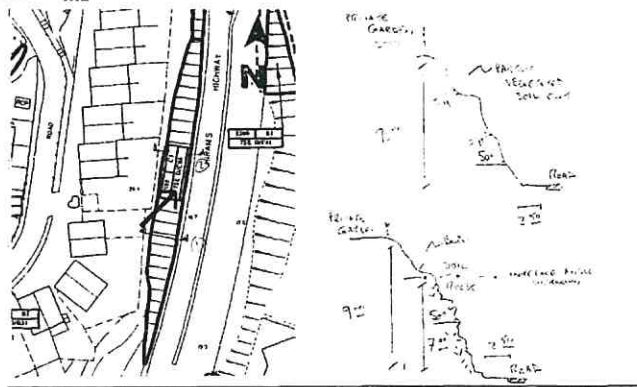
- (1) Utilities Type: Cable Size(mm): 0 Location: Toe Remark: Size cannot be determined
- (2) Utilities Type: Electricity Size(mm): 0 Location: Toe Remark: Size cannot be determined
- (3) Utilities Type: Water Main Size(mm): 200 Location: Toe Remark: N/A

STAGE 1 STUDY REPORT

Inspected On: 15-04-1997

Weather: Mainly Fine

District: ME



Section No: 1-1

Height(m): H1 : 10 , H2 : 0

Type of Toe Facility: Road/footpath with heavy traffic density

Distance from Toe(m): 0

Type of Crest Facility: Densely-used playground

Distance from Crest(m): 0

Consequence Category: 2

Engineering Judgement: P

Section No: 2-2

Type of Toe Facility: Road with moderate traffic

Distance from Toe(m): 0

Type of Crest Facility: Heavily used playground

Distance from Crest(m): 0

Consequence Category: 2

Engineering Judgement: P

Sign of Seepage:	Slope : No signs of seepage Wall : N/A
Criterion A satisfied:	N
Sign of Distress:	Slope : Reasonable (near crest, mid-portion, at toe) Wall : N/A
Criterion D satisfied:	N
Non-routine maintenance required:	N
Note:	N/A
Masonry wall/Masonry facing:	N
Note:	N/A
Consequence category (for critical section):	2
Observations:	N/A
Emergency Action Required:	N
Action By:	N/A

ACTION TO INITIATE PREVENTIVE WORKS

Criterion A/Criterion D:	N/A
Action By:	N/A
Further Study:	Y
Action By:	Mixed

OTHER EXTERNAL ACTION

Check / repair Services:	N
Action By:	N/A
Non-routine Maintenance:	N
Action By:	N/A

PHOTO





Appendix D

Extraction of Previous GI Records Prepared by Enpack (Hong Kong)
Limited in Sep 1997



ENPACK (HONG KONG) LIMITED
Civil Engineers & Contractors
Astoria Building, 8th Floor, 24 Ashley Road
Kowloon, Hong Kong
Tel: 2378 2121 Fax: 2378 0282

DRILLHOLE RECORD

HOLE NO. **BH 4**
SHEET **1** of **1**
CONTRACT NO. **GE/95/10**

PROJECT **272DS - Port Shelter Sewerage, Stage 2, Ground Investigation.**

METHOD **RC** CO-ORDINATES
E 844824.56 W.O. No **GE/95/10.58**
N 825289.67 DATE: **10/09/97 to 12/09/97**

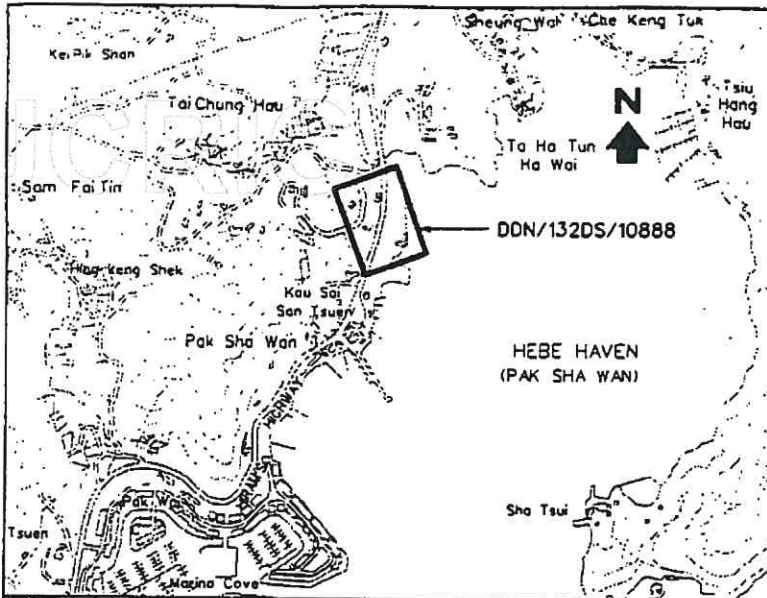
MACHINE & No. **DR 61** FLUSHING MEDIUM **WATER** ORIENTATION **VERTICAL** GROUND LEVEL **16.57** mPD

Drilling Progress	Casing size	Water level (m) Shift start/end	T.C.R.(%)	S.C.R.(%)	R.O.D.(%)	F.I.	Tests	Samples	Reduced Level	Depth (m)	Legend	Grade	Description
10/9	PX												
1			44	0	0	NI		I.P.	0.50	15.97	0.60	IV	Light yellowish brown (7.5YR/6/6), slightly silty fine to coarse SAND with some subangular fine to medium gravel sized concrete brick and rock fragments. (FILL)
						NR		12:101	0.60				V/IV
2			96	72	36	15.0			1.40	15.12	1.45	IV	From 0.95-1.40m : No recovery inferred as completely to highly decomposed tuff.
						>20							III
3		0.80m at 18:00 2.45m at 08:00	100	92	85				14.37	14.37	2.20	IV	Joints are closely to locally very closely spaced, rough, planar and undulating very narrow (<6mm), iron and manganese stained, dipping at subhorizontal, 30°-40° and 65°.
						9.5							III/II
4			100	100	100				2.70			II	Moderately strong to strong, dark grey spotted black and white, moderately to slightly decomposed fine ash crystal TUFF.
						3.0							
5			100	100	100	2.3			3.05				Strong to very strong, dark grey spotted, white and black, slightly decomposed fine ash crystal TUFF.
6			100	100	100				4.60				
7			100	100	100				5.65				
8		0.40m at 18:00 3.05m at 08:00	100	100	100	5.6			7.10				
9									8.02				
12/9								7.65	7.65	8.92		End of investigation hole at 8.92m.	

- Small Disturbed Sample
- Piston Sample
- U75 Undisturbed Sample
- U100 Undisturbed Sample
- Mazier Sample
- SPT Liner Sample
- Water Sample
- Standard Penetration Test
- In-situ Vane Shear Test
- Permeability Test
- Impression Packer Test
- Packer Test
- Piezometer Tip
- Observation Well Tip

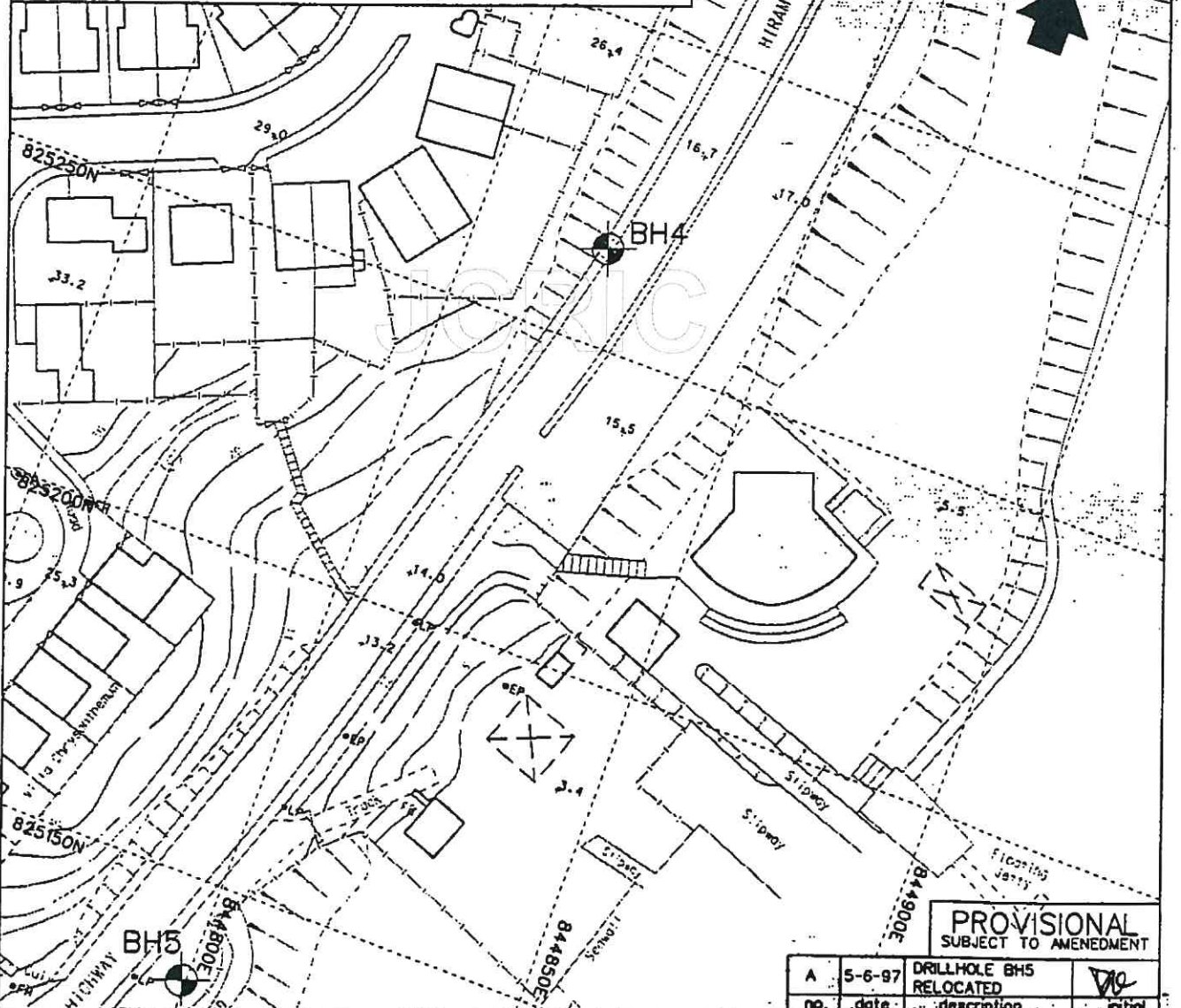
LOGGED C. Rigby
DATE 13/9/97
CHECKED C.K. Chan
DATE 16/9/97

REMARKS
1) One standpipe piezometer installed at 8.50m depth.
2) Prior to drilling an inspection pit was excavated by hand to 0.50m depth.
3) Core loss in core run from 0.60-1.40m : assumed to be grade V/IV tuff.



KEY PLAN

SCALE 1:20 000



title
 PORT SHELTER SEWERAGE, STAGE 2
 - TAI CHUNG HAU AND PAK SHA WAN
 SEWERAGE

SITE INVESTIGATION
 - LOCATION OF DRILLHOLE
 FOR PIPE JACKING

drawn by
 (SIGNED) H.T. TANG

approved
 (SIGNED) S.K. WONG

office
 SEWERAGE PROJECTS DIVISION

date
 15-4-97

date
 15-4-97

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