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Town Planning Board
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Dear Sir/Madam,

<u>Comments on representations on the draft Fanling/Sheung Shui Extension Outline</u> <u>Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/FSSE/1</u>

Regarding R6729, The Conservancy Association (CA) would like to reiterate that we are still very concerned if the proposed development can be further adjusted to avoid/minimize direct loss of woodland/mixed woodland. For example, according to the preliminary layout plan and tree survey plan, the 0.39-hectare woodland was mostly encroached by a residential block and podium garden. We noted that a public transport interchange (PTI) / bus terminus was indeed proposed right next to that residential block and podium garden. We have once suggested that the project proponent may consider incorporating the residential block on top of the PTI / bus terminus in the layout plan so that the woodland can be protected as much as possible.

Regarding Sub-Area 4, while we agree that the Chinese Swamp Cypress (*Glyptostrobus pensilis*) population should be well-protected, the proposed OU zone (Conservation cum Recreation) needs further amendment to achieve such purpose. CA has once mentioned the example of OU zone (Nature Park) and highlighted the following issues:

 The OU zone (Nature Park) has not only focus protection but enhancement of existing habitat, so that the ecological value of the area would be further improved



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ii. The OU zone (Nature Park) has mentioned promotion of nature conservation and education

iii. The OU zone (Nature Park) would not encourage development so that conservation intention would be further strengthened

The OU zone (Nature Park) has established a good example on how conservation can be put in high priority and ensure recreation opportunity at the same time. Therefore, we suggest that the above elements should also be included in the proposed OU zone (Conservation cum Recreation).

Yours faithfully, Ng Hei Man Campaign Manager The Conservancy Association