

何妨安步以當車— 締建「樂步健行校園」 Moving towards a Pedestrian-Friendly Campus

通是城市的動脈,貫穿中大這座山城的道路, 猶如血管把血液輸送到人體各個器官,把師生 輸送到校園各處,從事教研學習。

校園發展計劃的其中一項規劃重點,是檢視現有道路和 運輸系統能否應付未來需要。顧問團隊中負責為中大的 交通問題把脈的,是弘達交通顧問有限公司。該公司副 董事高衛文(下圖)說:「大學面對的問題和一般城市並 無二致,就是便捷運輸與保護環境之間的折衷妥協。」

他觀察中大的交通情況,發現中大現有的道路網絡相 當良好,沒有堵塞,但面對未來學生人數上升,他提出 了一些初步建議,重點在於締建「樂步健行校園」。

> 高衛文說:「中大學生都習慣大學 提供免費校巴服務,有些人寧 願花五分鐘排隊等校巴,再坐 五分鐘的車,也不願走這十分 鐘即可走完的路程。」他指出, 校巴服務雖然方便,但 開支龐大,還會消耗能 源,帶來廢氣污染。

> > 怎樣應付2012年 學生人數增加 後帶來的交 通負擔?大抵 有兩個選擇。一

是增加校巴數量和班次。但這種方式有違可持續發展 原則,除了令校園到處充斥巴士外,還不利環保。

第二個選擇是鼓勵大家步行,以維持甚至改善現有環 境。為此,高衛文建議拓寬現在某些路段的人行道,例 如崇基池旁路一帶;另外,新建的建築物須提供「縱向 連繫」,即裝設升降機或扶手電梯,讓行人能便捷地上 下山。

此外,主要路線須提供有蓋人行通道,使行人免 受日曬雨淋之苦。對於有大學成員擔心有蓋通道 有礙觀瞻,影響校園自然景貌,高衛文説:「這只 是設計和選址的問題,現在許多有蓋通道的設 計,是可以融入不同的自然環境的,有的還可以在 其上栽種植物。」

他還提出「停車換乘」概念,建議在校園周邊闢設 停車場,讓開車到大學的訪客和學生把車停在那 裏,再換乘校巴或走路往來校園各處。

中大地勢高低起伏,不適合騎單車。但日後研究 設施集中的「三十九區」位於平地,所以高衛文建 議闢建連接該區至大學鐵路站的單車徑,鼓勵騎 單車往來這兩地。他說這段單車徑只是起點,待這種 既環保又有益健康的交通工具在校園更普及後,期望 將有更多單車徑設立,形成網絡。

誠如高衛文所説,最環保的運輸方式就是走路。未來 校園會有更多更好的步行設施,令徒步往來校園各地 更舒適便捷。在風和日麗的日子,在美麗 如斯的校園步行,是很惬意的事。大家何 不從今天起就多安步當車?

If pedestrians and cars are the blood in the body of our campus, roads and the transport system are the veins and arteries, the means by which staff and students commute within the campus for class and other activities.

One of the major objectives of the Campus Master Planning (CMP) is to

assess the capability of our existing road network and transport system against future demand. MVA Hong Kong Limited is the consultant that assesses our traffic issues. Mr. Raymond J. Cook (*left*), technical director of MVA, says, 'A university is like a small town, so the issues it faces are not unique. They're ultimately a compromise between easy transport and the environment.'

After examining our traffic situation, Mr. Cook found that most of our road network is not congested. But in order to meet the increased demand following a surge in the student population, he has made some preliminary suggestions with the aim of creating a pedestrian-friendly campus.

Mr. Cook says, 'CUHK students are used to having free bus services. Some people would wait for five minutes and then go on a five-minute bus journey. But actually they could have walked to their destinations with that time.' Although the shuttle bus service is convenient, it costs a lot of money to run, consumes a lot of fuel, and pollutes the environment.



海外顧問葛艾活手繪的一種有蓋人行通道設計 CMP overseas consultant Ted Cullinan's hand-drawn design for one type of covered walkway

There are two ways to cope with the growing demand for transport services brought about by the increased student population in 2012 and beyond. The first is to increase the number of buses. But this is not a sustainable option because this would have a negative impact on the environment.

池旁路人行道拓寬後之想像圖 Image of Pond Crescent with widened footpaths

In view of the University's policy to improve the environment, Mr. Cook believes that the second option, namely, promotion of walking, is more favourable. He suggests that footpaths in certain areas, including Pond Crescent at Chung Chi College, be widened. Besides, new buildings should have good vertical connections, be it express lifts or escalators, to enable fast and easy pedestrian movement up and down the hillsides.

In addition, covered walkways should be provided in key routes to protect pedestrians from the elements. In response to the concern that walkways may be visually obtrusive, Mr. Cook says, 'It's an issue of design and location. There are designs that look nice and blend in with different materials. There are even structures that are intended to have vegetation grow on top of them.'

Introduction of a 'park-and-ride' policy has also been proposed. Students and visitors are encouraged to park their cars at park-and-ride car parks on the fringe of the University and take shuttle buses or walk to their destinations.

Cycling is not suited for a campus with a hilly terrain like ours. But Mr. Cook suggests providing a cycling track between the MTR University Station and 'Area 39', a flat site where our research facilities will be located. He sees it as a starting point of a big cycling network, which may be feasible once this green and healthy way of transportation gains popularity.

Mr. Cook believes the greenest form of transport is walking. With more and better pedestrian facilities, it will be faster and easier to travel on campus on foot. It can also be a very pleasant experience, especially when the weather is nice. *

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中大校園規劃的統籌人 The Brains behind the CMP



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layout of the campus."

教研康體設施

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and Recreational

展計劃的項目總建築師是凱達環球有 ,在該公司董事總經理施家殷眼中,中大 校園的布局其實有許多軸線和視覺走廊。他說:「我們 在規劃中要去凸顯的,就是空間的排列、點和線之間的 關係及整體布局。」

他覺得為中大規劃校園挑戰很大。「中大依山而建,有 獨一無二的自然環境,不同書院、院系的建築物錯落在 不同地點,有許多深具歷史和文化價值的建築物要保 留。發展與保育的平衡,新舊建 _{文化景貌保育}

築物之間的配合,建築與中大 教學理念的配合,都為我們帶

Conserving Places

校園發展 六大規劃原則 **Six Precepts**

of CMP

校園生活添姿采 Enhancing

has been a huge challenge. 'The University has a unique campus with different colleges and buildings scattered all over a hill. There are also many historical and cultural landmarks that need to be preserved. The balance between development and conservation, the harmony between new and old buildings, and the relationship between architectural styles and educational philosophy pose a lot of challenges for us.'

Mr. Sze said doing master

planning for the CUHK campus

施家殷眼中未來的中大校園,各方面都可以平衡發展

既會有新的建築物以應付未來的發展,又能保存自然生

態或文化景物,兩者並存而不牴觸。相信中大人必對此

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Campus Master Planning (CMP). In the eyes

of its managing director Kyran Sze, our campus is

full of visual axes and corridors. He says, 'What

we're going to highlight are spatial arrangement,

interaction between points and lines, and the overall

Aedas has held a series of engagement activities for the CMP. Experienced in this kind of exercise, Mr. Sze believes the diversity of views is normal. 'Our

job is to collect views, retrieve constructive and pragmatic ideas from them, and reflect them in the final plan.' He appreciates the involvement of the stakeholders who had sacrificed their leisure time to attend engagement activities on Saturdays, Sundays and weekday evenings. 'The campus is clearly something very dear to their hearts. Their views are very valuable.'

Mr. Sze envisions that balanced development will be a prime feature of the future CUHK campus. *

>> 校園發展 Campus Development

電影《阿飛正傳》中,張國榮飾演的旭仔有一段 上、著名對白,把自己比喻為「沒有腳的鳥兒」;在現 實中,真的有這種鳥兒,還有不少是中大住客,牠們是 ——小白腰雨燕。

小白腰雨燕學名Apus nipalensis,其中apus一字的意思 就是「沒有腳」。如此得名,是因為小白腰雨燕成鈎狀的 雙足弱小,適合於攀附岩壁,落到地上卻無法自行發力 起飛。所以牠們終身不斷在天空飛翔,而不像其他鳥類 那樣會降落地面。

全香港最大的小白腰雨燕群落原來位於大學圖書館,據 統計至少有二百隻在那裏築巢棲身,約佔全港總數的兩 至三成。為更妥善保護牠們,大學聘請顧問,由2007年 6月至2008年10月,進行為期十七個月的生態評估,至今 仍每月進行監察。

負責這項調查的顧問詹肇泰博士說:「大學圖書館很適 合小白腰雨燕築巢,因為建築物的表面粗糙,有許多高 而隱閉的簷口,四周的自然環境又能提供築巢材料和食 物,所以吸引大批小白腰雨燕定居。」

據詹博士點算,圖書館現時約有一百五十至二百二十個 鳥巢,主要分布於建築物東面和南面。他針對鳥巢可能 受到的影響,向大學建議了一系列措施,包括如須協助 位於北面的鳥兒遷巢,則應在5月小白腰雨燕繁殖季節 開始前,封閉受影響的部分簷口,並在附近放置人工巢 箱,吸引鳥兒另築新巢。詹博士也研究過小白腰雨燕的 飛行路徑和高度,建議圖書館前如有任何工程,應留下 足夠的緩衝區,讓牠們無阻地往返鳥巢。

詹博士説:「在食物鏈中處於上層位置的小白腰雨燕,專 門捕食飛蟲,對中大校園的生態平衡能起重要作用。」



大學為保護小白腰雨燕費盡工夫,其他校園成員又應以 甚麼方式愛護牠們?詹博士說:「最簡單的,就是容忍牠 們的排泄物所帶來的小小滋擾。」當然,我們也應警惕 這可能帶來的禽流感風險。

n a famous line from the movie *Days of Being Wild*, Yuddy (Leslie Cheung) compares himself to 'a legless bird' that must keep flying and flying, because the day it lands is the day it will die. In reality such creatures do exist and many are residents of CUHK. They are the house swifts.

In the scientific name of the house swift Apus nipalensis, the Latin root apus means 'without feet'. They are thus named because their short legs and hook-like feet are only good for clinging to vertical surfaces. So, unlike other birds, house swifts never land on the ground because they cannot take off again if they do.

The University Library is home to the largest swift colony in Hong Kong. It is estimated that at least 200 house swifts have built their nests there, accounting for 20 to 30 per cent of their entire population in the city. To better protect them, the University has commissioned a 17-month study on them from June 2007 to October 2008 and ongoing monthly monitoring.

Dr. Tsim Siu-tai, external consultant of the study, says, 'Its coarse surface, high and hidden eaves, and abundant supply of nesting materials and food by the natural surroundings make the University

校園生態普查 A Census on Campus Wildlife

了小白腰雨燕外,大學還委託詹肇泰博士自去年 10月起,對中大全境的陸生生物種類和分布狀 況,進行長時間和有系統的調查,以找出校園有哪些重 要生境。

詹博士指出,現時香港以雀鳥、蜻蜓和蝴蝶三類生物的 資料較齊全,因此這項調查也以這三類生物為指標,記 錄牠們在校園不同地點的數目、分布和多樣性,藉以反 映校園各處生態價值的重要性。

他把中大校園劃分為四個大區域,即一,崇基校園;二, 本部校園及運動場;三,新亞、聯合校園;四,逸夫校園 及教職員宿舍,四個區域再細分出二十條路線,每月沿 着這四大區二十條路線調查,方法是以眼尋找生物的身 影,用耳聆聽牠們的叫聲,而不會採集標本、捕捉生物 或採用其他會傷害生物的方法。

初步觀察所得,崇基校園和環校北路一帶有天然樹林, 因而有較多生物出沒。至今發現數量最多的鳥類和蝴 蝶,分別是暗綠繡眼鳥和報喜斑粉蝶(圖一),蜻蜓則 以慶褐蜻和黑尾灰蜻最多。除以上三類指標生物外,還 發現赤腹松鼠(圖二)、獼猴、短吻果蝠等生物的蹤跡。

中大委託顧問進行這項調查,是要找出校園內具重要生 態價值的地點,以確保這些生物棲居地得到妥善保護或



改善。調查由去年10月開始,為期一年,目前仍在進行。 顧問會在調查結束,取得基線研究數據後,向大學提出 保育這些生境的建議。

In addition to the survey on house swifts, the University has commissioned Dr. Tsim Siu-tai to conduct a survey entitled 'Sustainable Development of Terrestrial Wildlife Ecology in CUHK', a longitudinal and systematic survey on the species and distribution of the terrestrial wildlife on CUHK campus.

Dr. Tsim pointed out that the data on butterflies, dragonflies and birds in Hong Kong are sufficient

A Pedestria Friendly Campus

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來許多問號,製造了許多挑 戰。」

校園景觀 凱達為校園發展計劃舉行了多 A Landscape of Vital Importance 場意見交流活動,對此經驗豐富 的施家殷説,持份者有不同意

見,是正常不過之事。「怎樣去匯集、融合這些意見,從 中歸納出有建設性、切合實際的理念,再把它們化為建 築設計和規劃,就是我們要做的工作。」他尤其讚賞持 份者犧牲私人時間,在星期六、日或平日晚上抽空參加 交流活動。「他們都是有心人,出發點都是為了校園好。 所以他們的意見都非常寶貴。」

「沒有腳的鳥兒」 **Legless Birds at CUHK**



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Library an ideal nesting site for house swifts, attracting a large group of them to build their homes there.'

There are about 150 to 220 nests at the University Library,

mainly distributed along the eastern and southern walls. Dr. Tsim has proposed a number of mitigation measures to the University to deal with potential disturbances to these nests, including sealing off affected eaves at the northern walls of the library before the breeding season of the birds, which starts in May, to urge the birds to move elsewhere. Nest



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boxes should also be installed at nearby potent nesting sites. Having studied the flight paths of the house swifts, Dr. Tsim suggested that an adequate buffer area be set up in the vicinity of the University Library to ensure clear airways for the birds to fly in and out of their nests when construction works are taking place nearby.

> 'Feeding on flying insects, house swifts are top consumers of the food chain and play an important role in maintaining the ecological equilibrium of the CUHK campus,' says Dr. Tsim. The University has committed itself to protecting these avian residents of our campus. When asked what CUHK members can

do to promote the wellbeing of our feathered friends, Dr. Tsim has a piece of advice, 'The

simplest thing we can do is to tolerate the little inconvenience caused by their droppings." However, we should also be cautious about the possible impact of avian flu. 粩

and they can serve as good indicators of the ecological values of different areas of the CUHK campus. So, the population numbers, distribution and species diversity of these three fauna groups on campus will be recorded in the survey.

The survey divides the CUHK campus into four sub-areas, which are (i) Chung Chi Campus area, (ii) Central Campus plus sports field area, (iii) United Campus and New Asia Campus area, and (iv) Shaw Campus plus staff quarters area. These four sub-areas are further divided into 20 routes. The ecological surveyor walks along these routes on a monthly basis and records the

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species and number of wildlife by observing and listening to animal calls. Animal specimens will not be collected and animal traps or other harmful collection methods will not be used in the survey.

Preliminary data shows that certain areas of Chung Chi Campus and Campus Circuit North have higher levels of biodiversity because of better preserved natural woodland. So far, the bird and butterfly species with the highest counts are respectively the Japanese white-eye and the red-base jezebel (Figure 1). And the crimson dropwing and the common blue skimmer are the most abundant dragonfly species. In addition to them, Pallas's squirrels (*Figure 2*), a macaque and short-nosed fruit bats were sighted.

The survey is aimed at identifying the areas on campus with significant ecological value, ensuring the continuous inhabitation of the existing terrestrial wildlife population in CUHK, and preserving their habitats in a sustainable manner. Beginning last October, the year-long survey is still in progress. The consultant will make suggestions to the University on how to better preserve and enhance wildlife habitats in CUHK after they have finished the survey and obtained the necessary baseline data. *

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兩全其美的圖書館擴建新方案

大學圖書館擴建項目廣受師生、校友關注,他們尤其關 心施工對包括烽火台在內的大學圖書館周邊的影響。有 見及此,圖書館擴建計劃專責建築委員會審慎研究各 種方法,終於找出了一個技術上可行,兼可照顧各方意 見的新方案。

根據新方案,圖書館側停車場位置將興建一座新翼,高 度不超過圖書館主樓,而在大學廣場之下的區域,則會 挖建一地下層,與圖書館地庫相連,烽火台所在位置地 下則不會進行挖掘。

新方案可提供的額外面積,較原先預計的六千一百平 方米為少,造價亦稍增,但能令烽火台在施工期間繼續 開放使用,可説兩全其美。工程完成後,大學廣場原貌 不會有絲毫改變。

勘察工作已於2月中在大學廣場展開,在某些特選位置 進行鑽探。但新方案仍有待大學教育資助委員會和相 關部門正式批准。

迎接2012年的校園新建設

2012年本科四年制實施後,學生人數上升,對文娛康樂 和教研設施之需求也會相應增加。為此大學除擴建圖 書館外,還須進行另外幾項重要建設項目。



第一項是位於眾志堂和崇基圖書館之間的學生文娛中 心(圖一),樓高六層,採用層疊遞進的建築方式,每 層設有平台花園,以融入四周自然環境;內設多用途禮 堂、展覽廳、交誼室、音樂室、咖啡廳等設施。

其次是車站路旁現時松、竹、柏苑的位置,將興建兩座 分別為十層和七層的綜合教學大樓,座落在樓高三層的 平台上(圖二)。大樓設有演講廳、教室、教研實驗室、 學習共享空間、資訊中心和文化廣場。按規劃將有一條 步行路徑,由這裏通往校園中部。

隔着車站路,在這兩座教學大樓對面,將興建樓高五層 的第三座教學大樓,內有演講廳、教室、實驗室、研討 室、小組討論室和辦公室。

最後,在毗鄰校園北面的「三十九區」將興建綜合研究

一代新樹換舊樹

大學站前一株石栗樹,主幹受白蟻蛀蝕,出現大洞,並 嚴重腐爛。大學邀請廣州市園林科學研究所和Arbor Global加以評估,兩隊樹木專家診察過後,都認為病樹 有倒塌之虞,恐危及行人,建議盡快移除。物業管理處 遂於本年1月底將樹移走,以策安全;並挑選同一品種 的新樹,補植於原地。

這株新的石栗(圖)原種於崇基學院文質堂前方草地, 數年前因該處興建廣場而移植於園圃,現遷居到大學 站前。希望在大家悉心照料下,它能成為一株健康茂盛 的迎客樹。



Library Extension: a New Option of Integrity

The University Library extension project has received extensive attention from students, teachers, and alumni. The University community has expressed a diversity of views on how to proceed with construction without causing too much disturbance in the vicinity of the Library including the Beacon. After considering all the opinions received, the building committee responsible for the library

實驗室大樓(第一座),樓高九層(圖三)。落成後,現於 科學館和基本醫學大樓的研究實驗室都會遷往該處, 以騰出原有空間用作本科生教學實驗室。

New Constructions for 2012

In addition to the University Library Extension, four other capital projects are currently on the drawing board, to be completed in 2012 to meet the surging need for additional space for teaching, learning, research, and student amenities.

One of them is the new Student Amenity Centre (*Figure 1*). Located between Chung Chi Tang and Elizabeth Luce Moore Library, the six-storey centre with a cascading design will have stepped green roofs that blend in with the natural surroundings. It will accommodate a large multi-purpose hall, a display and exhibition area, student common rooms, music rooms, a cafeteria, etc.



Two Integrated Teaching Buildings (*Figure 2*) will be built on the site where the Bamboo, Pine and Cypress Lodges are now located. The new teaching buildings



extension project has identified a new option which is technically feasible as well as giving due regard to the sentiment and views collected.

This new option consists of building a new wing to the University Library on its adjacent carpark, with a height not exceeding the Library Building. An underground annex joining the existing Library basement will also be built under the University Square but excluding the area directly underneath where the Beacon stands.

The new plan will yield less than 6,100 sq. m. as formerly planned and incur higher costs. This option will be able to balance the need to provide the necessary library space and to keep the Beacon open during the period of construction.

Works have been carried out on the University Square for ground investigation and trial pits excavation in mid-February. But the new option has still to receive support from the University Grants Committee and the relevant authorities.



comprise the construction of two towers of ten and seven storeys on a podium of three storeys. They will house facilities such as lecture theatres, classrooms, offices, teaching and research laboratories, a learning commons, a resource and information centre, and a culture square. There will also be a pedestrian circulation route linking its cultural square with the mid-level campus.

The Third Integrated Teaching Building will be built across Station Road. This five-storey building will provide teaching and learning facilities including primarily lecture halls, classrooms, laboratories, seminar rooms, breakout rooms as well as offices.

Finally, the Centralized General Research Lab Complex, Block 1 (*Figure 3*) will be located in an adjoining site to the north of our campus known as 'Area 39'. Upon its completion, research labs at the existing Science Centre and Basic Medical Science Building will be relocated to this new building and the vacated spaces will be converted into teaching labs for undergraduate programmes.

was found to have a huge cavity and to be at an advanced stage of decay due to termites. The University invited tree experts from the Guangzhou Institute of Landscape Gardening and Arbor Global to assess the tree. Both teams recommended it be felled due to the high risk of collapse. To ensure the safety of the public, the Estate Management Office (EMO) removed the tree in late January and replaced it with a new one of the same species.

The new tree (*photo*) used to grow on the lawn outside Wen Chih Tang of the Chung Chi Campus. It was moved to the EMO nursery a few years ago when that spot was being turned into a square.

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