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Submission Date	Description of Landscape Proposal that compensate the Greenery Loss	Gov't Dept	Major Departmental Comments to the Landscape Proposal
 Nov 2024 (Pre-submission of Application) 	 Proposed 16nos. whip trees outside the Planning Application Boundary 	UD&L, PlanD	It is observed from the aerial photo of 2024 that the proposed location of whips planting is shaded by the canopies of existing trees.
		LandsD	Please be advised that such compensatory planting outside the boundary of the Proposed Access Road on unleased and unallocated government land is <u>not acceptable</u> , particularly when no party/department has been identified for maintenance of those compensatory trees.
2. Feb 2025 (Formal Submission of Application)	 Proposed 13nos. <i>Ficus microcarpa var. crassifolia</i> with 1m spread and 2.5m height at minimum 1.5m spacing are proposed in the new strip planter within the site 	UD&L, PlanD	The proposed planting along the appear to be in form of hedge/shrubs. Considering the anticipated amount of tree canopies lost, the proposed planting of these small plants to mitigate the landscape impact is not effective/insufficient. The applicant should explore opportunities on enhancement of landscape mitigation measures within the site as far as practicable, and native tree species should also be considered.
		LCSD	The proposed compensatory tree species, <i>Ficus microcarpa var. crassifolia</i> seems more like shrub instead of tree.
3. May 2025	 New whip trees with hydroseeding on lowest slope area underneath the proposed new access road is proposed in consider that it allows sufficient headroom to compensate the green loss, especially close to the opposite neighbour side; 	UD&L, PlanD	The 35 whip trees with hydroseeding are proposed with the existing slope area underneath the proposed access road. The proposed understorey whip planting/hydroseeding may not be able to grow properly in this condition.
(Further Information 1)		LCSD	Serious shading effect is anticipated with the Lot Building at the eastern side. The growth potential of the 35 whip trees is in question.

	 5nos. of new trees is now proposed in this new strip planter along the new access road to compensate the green loss when walking along Tai Hang Road, tree planting allows better instant effect;
4. This Submission (Further Information 2)	 Vertical beautification scheme for the large shaded void beneath the proposed access road by proposing vertical green (wiring system) surrounding the periphery of the access road;
	 5 nos. of new trees in the strip planter along the proposed access road remains.