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Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Comments on the Section 12A Application No. Y/NE-KTN/3

On behalf of the Conservancy Association (CA), I am writing to comment on the captioned planning application.

Although Sin Wai Nunnery was graded as Grade III Historical Building, to follow conservation approach properly, the application should be accompanied by a heritage impact assessment and a conservation management plan to establish a real model on adaptive re-use of historical building.

CA was concerned about the traffic impact brought by the proposed columbarium. The assumptions on estimating number of visitors, such as peak day visitors (Paragraph 6.1.1) and transport mode (Paragraph 6.2.5), lack detailed justification, while estimate on private car flow is absent in the Traffic Impact Assessment. The projected result might not reflect the actual traffic flow resulting in the operation of the columbarium, thus leading to traffic congestion and associated environmental defects.

Yours faithfully
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Campaign Officer