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Town Planning Board  
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333 Java Road  
North Point Hong Kong

By e-mail: tpbpd@pland.gov.hk

Dear Sir/Madam,

### Comments on the Section 16 Application No. A/I-CC/28

The Conservancy Association (CA) would express grave concern to the captioned application.

#### **Adverse environmental impacts**

We worry that there would be several potential adverse environmental impacts caused by the application:

- **Disturbance on natural streams:** According to Geoinfo map (<https://www.map.gov.hk/gm/>), the application site is located between two natural streams (Figure 1). However, there is no buffers between the natural streams and the application site. We worry that human activities from the proposed campsite would cause direct disturbance on the natural streams. There is also a risk of stream pollution caused by 3 portable toilets which are very close to the western stream (Figure 2).
- **Sewerage impacts caused by portable toilets:** According to the application, we cannot see any details of the three portable toilets, such as design, collection, treatment, disposal of sewage, and so on. We especially worry that leaking of human sewage can cause serious environmental and hygiene problems.
- **Disturbance caused by grass-paved area:** No details are available to demonstrate how the grass-paved area would be formed. While we worry that large scale of land formation work and vegetation clearance is required, using pesticides or fertilizers in the maintenance of grass-paved area may also increase risk of polluting runoff.
- **Light and noise pollution:** Quite often private holiday camp/tent camping grounds are operated 24 hours from Mondays and Sundays, even though the application does not mention operation time of the proposed tent camping ground. We worry light and noise pollution generated from various activities would be highly inevitable. However, no



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attempts have been proposed to tackle such disturbance.

- **Other sources of environmental impacts not clearly addressed:** There are no site management and operational plans to describe issues such as expected number of visitors/operators, crowd control, waste management, additional provision of ancillary utilities, and so on. All these would help identify source of environmental impacts and then suggest measures to minimize or mitigate potential environmental disturbance, but we cannot see the project proponent has attempted to address this.

Yours faithfully,

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**Figure 1-2 According to Geoinfo map (<https://www.map.gov.hk/gm/>), the application site (marked in grey) is located between two natural streams (marked in blue) and 3 portable toilets which are very close to the western stream (marked in red)**

