

Revitalising Historic Buildings Through Partnership Scheme



Mei Ho House as City Hostel

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Project Goals

- Bring out the value of Mei Ho House
- Revitalize and upkeep the building through adaptive re-use as City Hostel
- Sustainable Operations
- Contribute to the benefits of Sham Shui Po District socially and economically



Reflection of Historical Value & Significance (1)

1. City Hostel

- Types of room: twin/double bedrooms, dormitories, family rooms, thematic room and rooms for people with disabilities
- Facilities: Sitting-out area, YHA travel desk, game room, reading and internet room, self catering kitchen and café etc
- Thematic room provided for the International YHA members and the budget travelers to experience the old living style of the early public housing

Reflection of Historical Value & Significance (2)

2. Public Housing Museum

- Preserve the sample rooms for exhibition
- Develop Mei Ho House Alumni Association to contribute their collections, photos and stories for display
- Organise guided tours

Reflection of Historical Value & Significance (3)

Sample room for exhibition in the Public Housing Museum



Heritage Preservation of Mei Ho House (1)

- Retention of character defining element
- Re-provision of the middle connecting block



Heritage Preservation of Mei Ho House (2)

- Restore the open corridor outlook
- Verandah floor slabs will be re-casted supported by new structural arms
- Establish Mei Ho House Alumni Association

Social Enterprise Operation

1. Goals

- Sustainability
- Create employment opportunities
- Tri-partite collaboration

2. Social Benefit to the Local Community

- Empowerment of the underprivileged individuals
- Create a sense of belonging
- Drive local economic development

3. Target clients

- Underprivileged groups
- Visitors

HKYHA Strengths



1. Strong worldwide network
2. Proven track record in hostel operations
3. Proven track record in managing large scale projects
4. Care for the underprivileged

About HKYHA

1. HKYHA history and goals
2. Core services
3. Sources of income
4. Scale of operations





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