

School Allocation Exercise 2001

Subsequent to a briefing session held on 28.10.2000 for organisations interested in applying for school premises / school sites in school allocation exercise 2001, the Education Department has received some enquiries on the recommended use of the school sites designated for the development of Private Independent Schools (PIS).

The Education Department wishes to make it clear that under existing policy, PIS applicants are at liberty to propose operating a primary school, a secondary school or a primary cum secondary school for any PIS site. The School Allocation Committee, in the site allocation process, will select the applicants who have come up with the best proposed school plans to provide quality education for school children. Their consideration will include whether, on the basis of their proposed school plans, the applicants have made optimal use of the school sites in question, have taken into account the demand situation on school places in the area, have catered to the specific needs or characteristics of the local community etc.

Against the above background, though two of the proposed school sites, namely: (i) Hau Yuen Path, Braemar Hill and (ii) Area N4b, Discovery Bay are recommended (primarily on consideration of their respective sizes) for the development of a secondary school, applicants should feel free to propose alternative uses (i.e. as a primary school or a primary cum secondary school) in their applications.

In addition to the above clarification, it is hereby notified for general information that applicants for the Braemar Hill site are now given two alternative lots to choose from, namely: Wai Tsui Crescent, Braemar Hill and the lot near St Joan of Arc Secondary School, Braemar Hill. The particulars of these three sites are as follows:

Location	Size (m ²)	Available Date
Hau Yuen Path, Braemar Hill	6,740	Now
Wai Tsui Crescent, Braemar Hill	7,000	Sept 2001
Lot near St Joan of Arc Secondary School, Braemar Hill Road	5,800	Now

It must be made clear that the School Allocation Committee will, at this stage, allocate only one (and any one) of the three sites. The ultimate site will be allocated to the most qualified applicant from among all applicants for the three sites.

Details on application for allocation of school sites and school premises may be found at the Education Department's Homepage (<http://www.info.gov.hk/ed/>). Enquiries may be made to the Secretary, School Allocation Committee at 2892 6391.