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Question :

In 2006 and 2007, how many inspections had been conducted by the Buildings Department in monitoring compliance with the deeds of dedication in the dedicated areas? What were the numbers of non-compliance cases?

Asked by : Hon. LEE Wing-tat

Reply :

The deeds of dedication monitored by the Buildings Department (BD) mainly provide for dedication of areas in private developments for public passage. The BD conducts periodic inspections of the dedicated areas against any obstructions to public passage. In 2006 and 2007, a total of 480 inspections were made to some 60 private developments with dedicated areas and unauthorised structures causing obstruction to public passage were identified in four locations. We have taken enforcement action on these four cases and the obstructions were subsequently removed by the parties concerned.

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