

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (82) Buildings Department
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Question:

How many complaints about suspected unauthorised alteration or addition works to graded historic buildings did the Buildings Department (BD) receive in each of the past two years? How many of these cases have been confirmed to be in contravention of law after inspection? What are the details of the related enforcement actions? If orders were issued by the BD subsequently, have the orders been complied with?

Asked by: Dr Hon Kenneth CHAN Ka-lok (Member Question No. 198)

Reply:

The Buildings Department (BD) received 10 and 28 reports about suspected unauthorised alterations or additions to graded historic buildings in 2014 and 2015 respectively. Subsequent inspections by the BD have revealed the existence of actionable unauthorised building works in one case in 2014 which have been voluntarily removed in response to an advisory letter issued by the BD.

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