

## **Advisory Committee on Barrier Free Access (ACBFA)**

### **Terms of Reference**

The terms of reference of ACBFA are to offer advice to the Building Authority in relation to plans submitted for a new building or for alteration and addition to an existing building as to whether reasonable access and facilities will be provided in the building for persons with a disability. In arriving at such an advice, the Committee should consider the following :

- the standards and requirements contained in Building (Planning) Regulation 72, the Design Manual - Barrier Free Access 2008 and any other relevant statutory provisions;
- whether it is practicable to provide such access within the curtilage of the building, bearing in mind the physical location and immediate environs of the building; and
- whether providing such access would impose unjustifiable hardship on the person seeking approval or any other person.

### **Membership**

The membership of ACBFA is as follows :

- Chairman : Assistant Director/New Buildings 1, Buildings Department
- Members : A representative of the Commissioner for Rehabilitation  
A representative of the Director of Architectural Services  
A representative (authorized person) appointed by the Director of Buildings  
A lay member appointed by the Director of Buildings  
Three representatives nominated by the Commissioner for Rehabilitation representing the physically handicapped, visually impaired and hearing impaired respectively  
Technical Secretary/Building, Buildings Department
- Secretary : Building Surveyor/Technical Services 3, Buildings Department
- In attendance : The Senior Building Surveyor or Building Surveyor of the case