



# **Backgrounds**

1884 – Deeds Registration

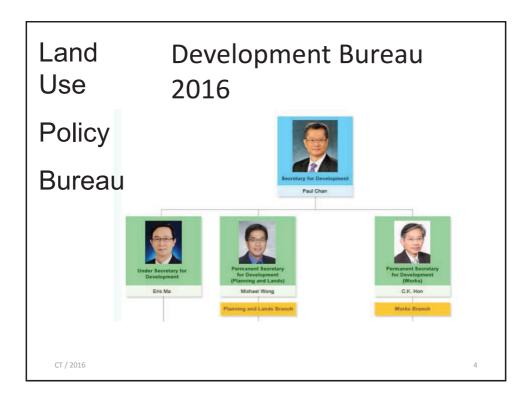
**2004 – Titles Registration Ordinance (not applied)** 

1995 – Land Survey Ordinance deal with land subdivision only no legal sanction of boundary

uncertain lot boundary affects land development



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# Land controls in Hong Kong

department	function
Planning Department	Town Planning control
<b>Buildings Department</b>	Building control
Lands Department	Lease control
Environmental Protection Department ( under Environment Bureau )	Environment control

# **Planning Control**

• Town Planning Ordinance

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- Outline Zoning Plan (OZP)
- Planning Department prepares the OZP
- Town Planning Board (TPB) approves the OZP
- Town Planning (Amendment) Ordinance 2004
  - Power to enter land for investigation
  - Notice to require provision of information
  - Issue an Enforcement Notice
- CT / 2016 Issue a Reinstatement Notice

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#### **Land Control**

- Land related ordinances
  - Govt Leases Ordinance, Land Survey Ordinance,...
  - Land sale 4 ways of land disposal conditions
  - Land Authority Consent Scheme sale of uncompleted private residential developments
  - Approval of Deed of Mutual Covenant
  - Certificate of Compliance
  - Salable Area in Gross Floor Area

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## **Building control**

- Buildings Ordinance
  - Approve Building Plans
    - Within Zoning (legal use)
    - Within GFA (development potential on lease)
    - Construction safety (construction works, means of escape,...)
  - Issue Occupation Permit

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# Environment Protection & Development control

- Environmental Impact Assessment Ordinance [Cap 499] (1998)
- Environmental Protection Department
  - Air quality, asbestos...
  - Conservation of country parks, rare species...
  - Noice control
  - Waste management
  - Water (beach, river) quality [Cap 358]
  - Landscape & Visual impact (w/ Planning Dept)

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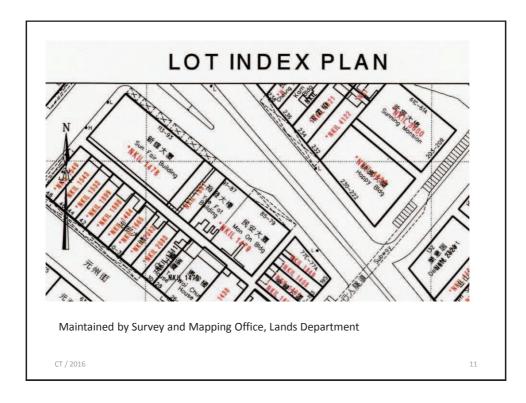
# Survey & Mapping Office of Lands Dept Land boundary records

Cadastral Information System (CIS) the digital land boundary layer

Basic Mapping System (BMS) 1:1000 Survey Sheet

Open to public: Lot Index Plan

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# Land Survey Ordinance

- Cap. 473 (1995)
  - registration & discipline of ALS
  - control of the standards of LBP
  - establish land boundary records
- Subdivision Deed Poll
- No legal sanction of boundary except the division line

#### **Land Titles Ordinance**

- Cap. 585 (2004)
  - 2 year preparation for implementation
  - 15 years gradual conversion
    - (now proposed qualified title )
    - (Nemo det quod non habet tangling on possible compensations)
  - S.94 Determination of lot boundaries :
    - Previously only urban new grant lot may apply for the title plan
    - Move S.94 to Land Survey Ordinance

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Authorised Land Surveyor
HKIS land survey
1 year LBS experience

Registered Professional Surveyor
R.P.S.
HKIS or equivalent
1 year relevant professional experience

HKIS
PolyU degree or RICS accepted
Assessment of Professional Competence

# No. of surveyors in HK (2016)

 Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors Land Surveying Division

45 Fellow225 Member48 Tech Asso

 Registered Professional Surveyors (Land Surveying)

127 (2015)

Authorized Land Surveyors

27 Practising

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- Land Boundary Committee of the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors
- Provide advice to government on the practice and the operation of the land boundary system
- Promote amendment of Land Survey Ordinance
- Result in 2016: Buildings Department prescribes in its working guideline that a Site Area Plan is endorsed by an Authorized Land Surveyor

# Raise questions to the Secretary of Development and Director of Lands, Director of Planning & Director of Buildings



### Path to seek a new law

Secretary of Development later replied that the order of making a new law is from the Executive Council

Membership of Executive Council

**Members** 

16 Secretaries14 Non-OfficialMembers



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Chief Executive

# Land Boundary Committee

- The Survey and Mapping Office is keeping a Land Boundary Record System
- HKIS negotiates with the Lands Department on the steps of the acceptance of surveyed land boundary lines

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