

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Question:

In the past five years, how many pieces of government land zoned open space and Government, Institution or Community had restricted public access (i.e. the government sites were enclosed by wire mesh or other means, or managed in various ways to restrict access)? What was the total area involved?

Asked by: Hon LAW Kwun-chung, Nathan (Member Question No. 59)

Reply:

The Lands Department (Lands D) fences off and manages those areas of unallocated government land which (i) have some potential for development but where the long-term use is yet to be determined or not yet due for implementation or (ii) have little potential for development but may be put to gainful use such as community and greening purposes not involving substantial building. The fencing off is necessary to ensure public safety and avoid unlawful occupation. Lands D does not have readily available information indicating the total area of fenced up sites broken down by different statutory land use zonings.

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