



**Press Release**

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**Prominent Architect Raymond Fung Considers Nano Flats a Waste of Resources and  
Advocates “Building Less for More”**

The government has recently set a minimum flat size requirement of 280 square feet for a residential plot. In the latest episode of SCOM Talk Show produced by The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong (HSUHK), Professor Raymond Fung Wing-kee, a renowned architect in Hong Kong, criticised that “nano flats” with a mega clubhouse is a waste of social resources. He also emphasised that buildings should not be “meaninglessly big”. Instead, the concept of “building less for more” should be adopted to leave more room for society and residents.

Following the government’s proposal of reclaiming a portion of the Fanling Golf Course site for public housing development, Professor Fung opined that the Golf Course was comparable to world-class urban parks such as Hyde Park in London, UK, and he thereby suggested turning the Golf Course to a central park for the public to enjoy. Meanwhile, he also believed the land use planning on Northern Metropolis and Lantau Tomorrow Vision can gradually help alleviate Hong Kong’s housing shortage.

As a government architect for more than 20 years, Professor Fung oversaw various public space projects, including one of his masterpieces the Wetland Park, with a mission to provide relief space to the public. Instead of focusing on renewable energy systems, he went back to focus on people’s basic needs – less building volume, more space – so that visitors can reach the natural environment immediately when entering the Park.

Please stay tuned to HSUHK’s social media channels for the latest updates on the programme.

**Link:** <https://youtu.be/VGaUCECKBQo>



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**Photo:**



Photo 1: Professor Raymond Fung (centre) shares his views on nano flats and his advocacy of “building less for more” concept during the SCOM Talk Show.

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