

Countryside Conservation Funding Scheme
Research Activities on Countryside Conservation and Revitalisation

Project Number	EP86/27/24/11-34
Project Proponent	The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Project Title	From Valley to Plain II: Architectural Rehabilitation for Integrated, Co-creative Eco-living Experience in Tin Sum Village, Kuk Po
Target Site	Tin Sum, Kuk Po
Project Description*	<p>This action research project harnesses interdisciplinary knowledge as well as professional expertise in architectural conservation and sustainable farming practices to co-create with stakeholders a comprehensive setting for eco-living and cultural experiences in Hong Kong’s countryside.</p> <p>Insights from “From Valley to Plain Phase I” will be expanded into Tin Sum village of the Kuk Po plains, centring on the Lee family’s 90-plus-year-old historic hybrid mansion with its ancillary farm shed and adjacent farmlands, comprising one of the village’s largest residential compounds.</p> <p>Through rehabilitating this architectural cluster, the project investigates the cultural heritage, rediscovers living village traditions, reuses and enhances its sustainable built features, introduces sustainable amenities with growing practices, and co-creates eco-living experiences with stakeholders. The great enthusiasm and drive of the house’s occupants to synergise with the research team will consolidate eco-living initiatives with cultural elements to furthering conservation endeavours beyond the target site.</p> <p>In future, the project team aims to follow on from Phases I & II and further develop integrated conservation initiatives in Phase III, so as to regenerate Kuk Po’s diverse landscape (from Valley to Plain), evolving transformations of its historical development (cultural heritage and living traditions) and human-nature symbiosis (eco-living and environmental management).</p>
Project Period	2 July 2023 to 31 December 2024
Grant Approved	\$3,000,000

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