





Land (Compulsory Sale for Redevelopment) Ordinance

- Statutory requirement
- Non-Statutory requirement



Statutory Requirement

- Valuation report filed with an application to the Lands Tribunal (Section 3(1)(a))
- Part 1 of Schedule 1
 - > market value of each unit
 - > Prepared not earlier than 3 months before filing of application
 - On vacant possession basis
 - Assuming not subject to compulsory sale
 - Not taking into account of redevelopment potential
- For apportioning sale proceed of auction



Case Law

Vennex Ltd vs Leung Chung Ching and Leung Wai Ping, Lau Sik Kwan (LDCS No. 6000 of 2009)

➤ Property : 90–100 Hill Road

Key Issues : • Date of valuation exceeds 3 months

Date of report within 3 months

LT accepted the report

Respondent lodged appeal but it was not heard



Case Law

Eversound Investments Ltd vs Chan Ying Kai and Chan Ming Wai and Others

(LDCS No. 35000 of 2012)

> Property : 22 & 24 Wan On Street / 1 Wan Shun Street / 2 Wan Fuk

Street

Key Issues : • G/F residential unit occupied as shop with unauthorised cockloft

> LT decided that the unit should be valued in accordance with permitted use, disregarding value due to unauthorised use and unauthorised cockloft



Case Law

Many Gain Investment Ltd vs Chan Fai Ho & Others (LDCS No. 28000 of 2012)

Property : 16, 16A, 18 & 18A Ka Shin Street

Key Issues

- G/F residential unit occupied as shop
- Potential for conversion into shop accepted by the LT
- Property valued as a shop with 5% discount for time, cost and risk for the required conversion



Non-statutory Requirement

- Valuation report(s) may be produced by the Applicant to support his application for order for sale:
 - (1) Redevelopment is justified due to age or state of repair of the existing building; and
 - (2) The Applicant has taken reasonable steps to acquire all the undivided shares in the building.



Non-statutory Requirement

- Reserve price for auction is to be determined by the LT, which takes into account the redevelopment potential of the lot <u>on its own</u>.
- The Applicant <u>may</u> submit a valuation report on RDV for LT's reference in fixing the Reserve Price for public auction.



Case Law

Intelligent House Ltd vs Chan Tung Shing and Others (LDCS No. 11000 of 2006)

> Property : Kam Kwok Building and National Building

Key Issues : Acceptance by LT two economic tests to justify redevelopment due to age and repair:

(i) whether cost of repair is greater then enhancement in EUV;

(ii) whether RDV exceeds EUV.



Case Law

Fineway Property Ltd vs Sin Ho Yeun Victor and Others (CACV 95/2009)

➤ Property : 44–46 Haven Street

> Key Issues : Court doubt on acceptance of economic tests





Case Law

Capital Well Ltd vs Bond Star Development Ltd (FACV No. 4/2005)

- Property : 28 Ming Yuen Western Street
- Key Issues : •
- An offer is fair and reasonable if broadly in line with apportioned RDV
 - The court is not require to prepare precise valuation
 - RDV of the lot on its own



Case Law

Fully HK Investments Ltd et al vs Poon Vai Ching et al (LDCS No. 3000 of 2005)

➤ Property : 9–12 Chun Fai Terrace

Key Issues : • LT not required to carry out valuation

RDV on its own

Offer made after application acceptable



Case Law

Fineway Property Ltd vs Sin Ho Yeun Victor (LDCS No. 5000 of 2007)

➤ Property : 44–46 Haven Street

Key Issues : • EUV of shop units

Comparables for site merger disregarded

· Site comparable with merger potential disregarded



Case Law

Golden Kent International Ltd & Trade Get Investment Ltd vs Choy Bing Sheung et al

(LDCS No. 10000 of 2008)

➤ Property : 14–22 & 1–19 Upper Kai Yuen Lane

Key Issues : • Assessment of EUV

Merger value not allowed in RDV assessment



Case Law

Good Faith Properties Ltd & others vs Cibean Development Co Ltd (LDCS No. 42000 of 2011)

Property : 20 Caine Road

Key Issues : • How valuation is done



Case Law

Many Gain Investment Ltd vs Chan Fai Ho and Others (LDCS No. 28000 of 2012)

> Property : 16, 16A, 18 and 18A Ka Shin Street

Key Issues : • Approach for assessing RDV redefined

Need to consider merger potential with adjoining lots



Case Law

Day Bright Development Ltd and Others vs Choi Pak Ling and Others (LDCS No. 13000 of 2012)

> Property : 209 & 211 Tsat Tsz Mui Road / 8 & 10 Nation Street

Key Issues : • Overturn the decision in Many Gain case

No need to consider merger potential



- Both Applicants and Respondents may submit valuation reports.
- Valuers have duty to the Court:
 - "(1) I have read the Code of Conduct for Expert Witness (Appendix D of the Rules of the High Court) and agree to be bound by it;
 - (2) I understand my duty to the Court; and
 - (3) I have complied with and shall continue to comply with that duty."



- Lands Tribunal criticized valuers for the Respondents in the following cases:
 - Fineway Properties Ltd (48 & 50 Haven Street LDCS6000/2007)
 - Top Sail International Ltd (5 & 7 Tang Fung Street LDCS19000/2010)
 - 3) Wisdom Gaining Ltd (58 & 60 Shanghai Street LDCS23000/2012)



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