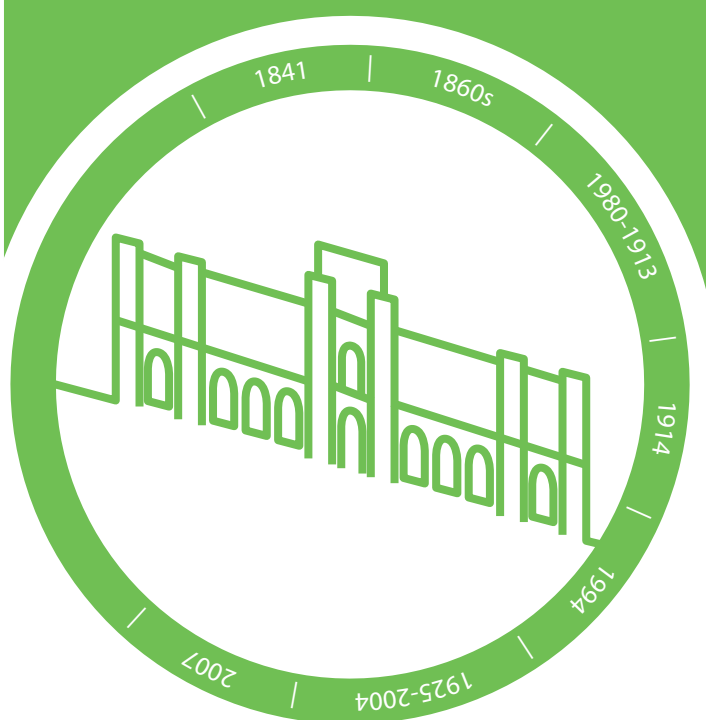


Central Police Station Compound



The British military had largely assumed the duty of maintaining social order and jurisdiction in the colony's early days. Hong Kong's first prison, the Victoria Prison, was built in 1841 to house criminals, triads, and pirates. It was not until 1844 that the Colonial Police Force was established, and the responsibilities of maintaining social order and jurisdiction were separated from the military. In time, the Central Police Station Compound became Hong Kong's first centre of law and order.

! Key Points

Early law and order enforcement

Development of the compound

- Centre for law and order
- Strategic location
- A complex for easy and consolidated management
- Adaptive re-use / re-use

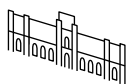
Architectural details

- Lightwells
- The third storey of the Barrack Block
- Facades out of the Pattern Book
- Four storeys vs Two storeys

Future of the compound



Barrack Block and Parade Ground



Questions to be completed after Lesson 2

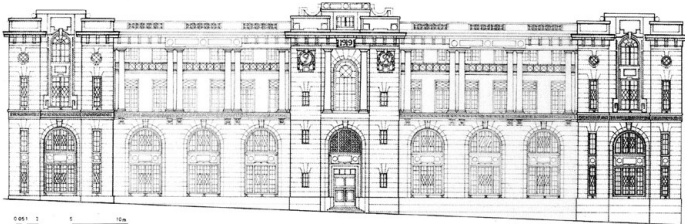
1. List the Central Police Station Compound's development chronologically, include the buildings, its functions, occupants, and years of establishment. How did the functions of these buildings affect the layout of the Compound?

Years of establishment	Buildings	Functions	Occupants

2. Why does the Headquarters Block have different number of storeys on different sides of the building? State your reasons. Can you think of other similar examples?



Southern facade



Northern facade



3. What are the current plans for the future use of the Central Police Station Compound?

4. The Police Force is only one of the five major disciplinary forces in Hong Kong. What are the other four? Indicate their functions briefly.

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5. [For field trip] Name five architectural elements of the Central Police Station Compound that you find most interesting. Briefly explain your choices.
