Nos. 60 to 66 (EVEN) Kim Yam Road

A Vista from Past to Present



2000 AWARD

Owner:

A.C.T Development Pte Ltd

Architect:

GP Design

Engineer:

Ronnie & Koh Partnership

Contractor:

Guan Tong Construction Co. Pte Ltd

he three Art Deco terrace houses in the River Valley Secondary Settlement were once home to gambier plantation owners. They were high-ceiling, long units which extended right to the end of the plot. The main buildings of the terrace houses have been retained with their rear portion redeveloped into a 10-storey apartment block.

The conserved buildings were in fairly good condition. Nonetheless, they were carefully shored up for the construction of a basement car park and the new apartment block. The end gable



The new apartment block well integrated with the conserved terrace houses

wall was also underpinned during the construction of the driveway. Because of site constraints, the laying of services was a challenge and had to be run at the side of the end gable wall.

All the original architectural features of the conserved buildings were retained and painstakingly restored. An airwell was introduced in each of them to enhance its interior.

The great care which has been taken to integrate the old with the new is noteworthy. For instance, the apartment block was elevated by 5.2 metres so that a view of its lobby and swimming pool could be enjoyed from the rear of the terrace houses.

Also, some design motifs from the conserved buildings are repeated in the apartment block.





View of pool deck from the rear window of a conserved terrace house



Lobby and pool deck at apartment block



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A new basement car park to meet the needs of the residents



Interior of a conserved terrace house



New airwell introduced to enhance the interior of a conserved terrace house



Lobby area with decorative tile



