Sai Kung District Council **District Facilities Management Committee** Minutes of the Fifth Meeting in 2016

Date: 20 September 2016 (Tuesday) <u>Time</u>: 9:30 a.m. Venue: Conference Room of the Sai Kung District Council

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Present	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Mr. CHAN Kai-wai (Chairman)	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Mr. LI Ka-leung, Philip (Vice Chairman)	9:31 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Mr. AU Ning-fat, MH	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Mr. CHAN Pok-chi, Jonathan	9:30 a.m.	11:20 a.m.
Mr. CHAU Yin-ming, Francis, BBS, MH	9:30 a.m.	11:25 a.m.
Mr. CHEUNG Chin-pang, Edwin	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Mr. CHEUNG Mei-hung	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Mr. CHONG Yuen-tung	9:35 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Mr. CHUNG Kam-lun	9:36 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
The Hon FAN, Gary Kwok-wai	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Ms. FONG Kwok-shan, Christine	9:40 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Mr. HIEW Moo-siew	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Mr. HO Man-kit, Raymond	9:30 a.m.	11:18 a.m.
Mr. KAN Siu-kei	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Mr. LAI Ming-chak	9:30 a.m.	11:25 a.m.
Mr. LAM Siu-chung, Frankie	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Mr. LAU Wai-cheung, Peter, MH	9:35 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Mr. LEUNG Li	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Mr. LING Man-hoi, BBS, MH	9:30 a.m.	11:25 a.m.
Mr. LUI Man-kwong	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Mr. NG Sze-fuk, George, GBS, JP	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Mr. SING Hon-keung, BBS, MH	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Mr. TAM Lanny, Stanley	9:36 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Mr. TSE Ching-fung	9:30 a.m.	11:25 a.m.
Mr. WAN Kai-ming	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Mr. WAN Yuet-cheung, BBS, MH, JP	9:30 a.m.	11:25 a.m.
Mr. WONG Shui-sang	9:30 a.m.	11:25 a.m.
Mr. YAU Yuk-lun	9:50 a.m.	11:25 a.m.
Mr. WU Tat-chee, Mike (Secretary)	Executive Officer I Kung District Office	(District Council), Sai

Absent

Peter

Mr. LUK Ping-choi

Ms. Maureen SIU, JP

In Attendance

District Officer (Sai Kung), Sai Kung District Office Mr. KWOK Chung-kai, Assistant District Officer (Sai Kung)1, Sai Kung District Office Mr. CHU Chi-ho, Marco Assistant District Officer (Sai Kung)2, Sai Kung District Office

Miss LAU Tang, Moira	Senior Executive Officer (District Council), Sai Kung District
	Office
Mr. POON Kwok-leung,	Senior Executive Officer (District Management), Sai Kung
Timmy	District Office
Mr. WONG Ping-ming	Senior Inspector of Works, Sai Kung District Office
Mr. LIU Chung-him,	Executive Officer I (District Council), Sai Kung District
Michael	Office (Designate)
Miss MAK Wai-man,	Senior Liaison Officer (1), Sai Kung District Office
Sandy	
Ms. LAM Yee-lai, Decem	Senior Liaison Officer (2), Sai Kung District Office
Ms. YIU Shuk-yan, Mona	Liaison Officer i/c (District Council / Tseung Kwan O
	(North))
Ms. LOK Kit-ha	Chief Leisure Manager (New Territories East), Leisure and
	Cultural Services Department
Ms. FUNG Ka-wai, Annie	District Leisure Manager (Sai Kung), Leisure and Cultural
	Services Department
Mr. FUNG Kwok-cheung,	Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) Sai Kung,
Cliff	Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Miss TSANG Mei-ying,	Senior Manager (NTE) Promotion, Leisure and Cultural
May	Services Department
Miss NG Sheung-han, Alice	Manager (NTE) Marketing & District Activities, Leisure and
	Cultural Services Department
Ms. YUEN Suet-fei, Agatha	Senior Librarian (Sai Kung), Leisure and Cultural Services
	Department
Miss CHAN Shui-yan,	Senior Executive Officer (Planning), Leisure and Cultural
Daphne	Services Department
Ms. MA Lai-yan	Social Work Officer 3, Wong Tai Sin / Sai Kung District
-	Planning & Coordinating Team, Social Welfare Department
Mr. LAU Hon-wing	Senior Land Executive / Acquisition, District Lands Office,
-	Sai Kung
Mr. LEE Wang-yui, Eddie	Architect (Works) 7, Home Affairs Department
Ms. TANG Suet-fan	Project Assistant, WCWP International Limited
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Welcome Remarks

<u>The Chairman</u> welcomed all Members and the representatives from government departments to the fifth meeting of the District Facilities Management Committee (DFMC) in 2016, in particular Mr. LAU Hon-wing, Senior Land Executive, District Lands Office, Sai Kung (DLO/SK) and Mr. Michael LIU, Executive Officer I (District Council), Sai Kung District Office (Designate) who attended the meeting for the first time.

2. <u>The Chairman</u> said that Mr. LUK Ping-choi could not attend the meeting due to his official duty. He had submitted a notification about his absence in accordance with the regulations. There being no objections from Members, <u>the Chairman</u> announced that the application for leave was accepted in accordance with Order 51(1) of the Sai Kung District Council Standing Orders (SKDC Standing Orders).

I. <u>Confirmation of Minutes of the Fourth Meeting</u>

3. There being no amendments from Members, <u>the Chairman</u> declared that the minutes of the last meeting and the voting result records were confirmed.

II. <u>New Items</u>

i) Funding proposal: "Improvement works for the swimming facilities of Sai Kung"

(SKDC(DFMC) Paper No. 70/16)

4. <u>Ms. Annie FUNG, District Leisure Manager (Sai Kung), Leisure and Cultural Services</u> <u>Department (LCSD)</u>, gave an introduction on the paper and hoped that the DFMC could endorse the funding application of \$1,528,000 for the LCSD to improve the facilities of Sai Kung Swimming Pool.

5. <u>Ms. Annie FUNG of the LCSD</u> said that the funding would mainly be used to improve the entry gates and the floor mat beneath the water slide, as well as to upgrade the ozone and hydrogen gas detector of Sai Kung Swimming Pool. Subject to the endorsement of the funding, it was expected that the works would commence by phases starting from November 2016 and be completed in March 2017.

6. Members gave their comments and raised some questions regarding the funding proposal:

- Members asked about the utilization of Sai Kung Swimming Pool and Tseung Kwan O Swimming Pool;
- Members asked whether the new entry gates would be able to charge the fare according to different types of Octopus Card;
- Members asked whether the lockers of the swimming pools would be improved in the future; and
- It was hoped that the LCSD would inform users before they commence the works to minimize the impact on users.

Ms Annie FUNG of the LCSD said that as the specifications of the swimming pools 7. varied, their capacity would be different. The maximum capacity of Tseung Kwan O Swimming Pool was 1200 persons, whereas the maximum capacity of Sai Kung Swimming Pool was 600 to 700 persons (Post meeting note: the capacity of Sai Kung Swimming Pool was about 830 persons). According to the record of the LCSD, in summer, the capacity of Tseung Kwan O Swimming Pool might reach its maximum during the timeslots around midday. Swimmers might need to queue up outside the swimming pool. This seldom happened at Sai Kung Swimming Pool. In general, the utilization of the two swimming pools was satisfactory. The present entry gates of the swimming pools were quite old and it was not easy for the staff to adjust the default settings. Besides, the gates were often out of order and caused inconvenience to swimmers. Ms FUNG added that at present, the elderly and children were required to use a designated entry gate so that their staff could confirm whether the user was eligible for the concessionary fare to avoid misuse. Regarding the lockers, if the deposit system was to be abolished, there was a risk that the service would be abused. Swimmers who needed coins could make use of the coin exchange machines there or seek assistance from LCSD staff. Lastly, as the swimming pools would be closed in winter, the works would commence in November or after to avoid causing inconvenience to the public.

8. There being no objections from Members, <u>the Chairman</u> announced the endorsement of the funding application of \$1,528,000.

ii) Funding proposal: "Replacement of air-conditioning installation for the fitness room and activity rooms of Tsui Lam Sports Centre" (SKDC(DFMC) Paper No. 71/16)

9. <u>Ms. Annie FUNG of the LCSD</u> gave an introduction on the paper and hoped that the DFMC could endorse the funding application of \$1,000,000 for the LCSD to replace the air-conditioning installation for the fitness room and activity rooms of Tsui Lam Sports Centre. It was expected that the works would be completed in March 2017.

10. Members raised some questions about the funding proposal:

• Members asked when the works would commence; and

• Members asked whether Tsui Lam Sports Centre would be closed completely when the works was in progress.

11. <u>The Chairman</u> asked the LCSD for the reason why the original air-conditioning installation had to be removed and why the fresh air-handling unit would be added.

12. <u>Ms. Annie FUNG of the LCSD</u> said that after the works commenced, the fitness room and the activity rooms would be closed at different stages for replacing the air-conditioning installation. Other facilities would be opened for public use as usual. As the air-conditioning system had been in use for many years, it could not comply with the current objectives of the Indoor Air Quality Certification Scheme for Offices and Public Places recommended by the Government. Hence, the LCSD would need to replace the air-conditioning system and install the fresh air-handling unit in order to meet the requirements.

13. There being no objections from Members, <u>the Chairman</u> announced the endorsement of the funding application of \$1,000,000.

iii)Community Involvement Project Funding Application: "Funding application of the supporting activities for athletes representing Sai Kung District in the 6th Hong Kong Games"(SKDC(DFMC) Paper No. 72/16)

14. <u>Ms. Annie FUNG of the LCSD</u> gave an introduction on the paper and hoped that the DFMC could endorse the funding application of \$160,000 for training up the district team to represent Sai Kung District in the 6th Hong Kong Games and to pay for other related expenses. The Hong Kong Games would be held from March to May 2017 and the District Athlete Selection would be held in late 2016.

15. There being no objections from Members, <u>the Chairman</u> announced the endorsement of the funding application of \$160,000.

III. <u>Report items</u>

i) Report of the District Works Working Group (SKDC(DFMC) Paper No. 73/16)

16. <u>The Secretary</u> reported that the following items were recommended for endorsement at the meeting of the Working Group on 9 August:

- A funding allocation of \$50,000 to provide more benches at the pavilion of Devil's Peak. The Sai Kung District Office (SKDO), together with Kwun Tong district, would look into the feasibility of having Kwun Tong district conduct the work. If Kwun Tong district could not implement the works within a short time, the SKDO would carry out the works using the funding of Sai Kung district;
- Regarding the construction of a pavilion near to PLK Wing Lung Bank Golden Jubilee Sheltered Workshop & Hostel at Tseng Lan Shue, Hang Hau, the Working Group noted that the SKDO had arranged a meeting with the stakeholders. After considering the objections raised by some of the stakeholders, the Working Group suggested continuing to follow up on the works; and
- As various works items would soon be implemented at Yuk Nga Lane, the Working Group suggested relocating the SKDC flower pot to Chui Ling Road opposite to the Hong Kong Design Institute and the Tiu Keng Leng Public Library.

17. Some Members considered that Devil's Peak was in the proximity of both Kwun Tong and Sai Kung districts. They suggested writing to the Kwun Tong District Council (KTDC) to discuss how to allocate the resources of the two districts properly in order to conduct the relevant works at Devil's Peak.

18. <u>The Chairman</u> added that Devil's Peak was within Sai Kung district. However, members of the public from Kwun Tong district would also go there for morning walk and might use

the facilities there. As this project was endorsed, the SKDC would contact the KTDC and see if they could commence the works within half a year. If they could, the works would be handed over to Kwun Tong. If it would take a longer time for them to commence the works, the SKDC would continue to carry out the works. Members were welcomed to give their comments on how to work with the KTDC in the future in implementing district works projects.

19. The DFMC endorsed the above report.

ii) Progress Report of District Minor Works (SKDC(DFMC) Paper No. 74/16)

20. <u>Mr. Marco CHU, Assistant District Officer (Sai Kung)2, SKDO</u> gave a powerpoint presentation on the relevant subjects. He said that the SKDO received a letter from the Concern Group on Concretization of Hong Kong Natural Trails in late July. The Concern Group raised the following suggestions:

- The use of concretized materials should be minimized on footpaths and hiking trails;
- Soil, gravel and rocks should be used to pave country trails; and
- Natural wood or simulated wood should be used to construct stairways, pavilions, benches, signs and fences of the country trails.

21. <u>Mr. Marco CHU of the SKDO</u> said that gravel could come loose easily which might create uneven ground and cause users to stumble and fall. Besides, some of the stone materials might become slippery on rainy days. These designs might pose risks to the users. At the same time, if all the hiking trails were to be paved with soil, the trail would become very muddy on rainy days and cause inconvenience to users. <u>Mr. CHU</u> continued to say that the SKDO could consider using natural wood or simulated wood to construct the roof of the pavilions, the signs and the fences. However, it would be better to use steel to build the supporting stand of the pavilion. As for the benches, those made of wood might go mouldy easily. <u>Mr. CHU</u> hoped to consult Members regarding the suggestions of the Concern Group.

- 22. Members responded to the suggestions of the Concern Group as follows:
- Members agreed that natural materials (e.g. soil, wood and rocks) should be used to pave the trails;
- Member suggested referring the issue to the Age-Friendly City Working Group to consult the elderly for their comments on country trails;
- As some of the hiking trails in Sai Kung were connected to village roads for accessing various villages, convenience to villagers should be taken into account when deciding on what materials should be used, in particular, the needs of those with baby trolleys or wheelchair users should be catered for;
- Members were concerned whether the design and the materials of the country trails suggested by the Concern Group could cater for the needs of hikers with different capabilities;
- The materials should be decided based on the actual situation and the needs of different parties. Village roads should be paved with concrete;
- There is a potential safety hazard regarding the use of pebbles and rock fragments to pave the trail;
- Members suggested installing handrails at the relatively steep slopes;
- Greening works should be carried out on both sides of the newly constructed trails to make the trails become part of the natural environment;
- The relevant departments were asked to take note of the problems regarding accumulation of stagnant water and collapse of trees along the trails and to prevent mosquito problems from occurring; and
- Due to the humid climate of Hong Kong, benches should be made of stone.

23. <u>Mr. Marco CHU of the SKDO</u> noted the comments from Members. He understood that certain parts of the trails were being used by villagers every day as the main access to their village. Those village paths should be even and practical as far as possible, with concrete as the paving materials. Whereas for hiking trails, a more natural design should be adopted. <u>Mr. CHU</u> added that the SKDO would make reference to the suggestions of the Concern Group and DMFC Members when devising the design of the trails in the future.

24. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the DFMC would as far as possible take into account the comments of the Concern Group based on the actual situation and the safety concerns. The suggestions of the Concern Group should apply to country trails instead of village paths. <u>The Chairman</u> welcomed further comments from the Concern Group regarding the relevant works.

25. Some Members inquired about the progress regarding the construction of a walkway cover between the main entrance of Tong Ming Court and Park Central.

26. <u>Mr. Eddie LEE, Architect (Works) 7, Home Affairs Department (HAD)</u> said that the term contract consultant of the HAD had drafted the tender document. It was expected that the tendering procedures would be conducted in October, with the works to be commenced in December 2016.

27. The DFMC endorsed the above report.

iii)Financial estimate for funding district minor works (SKDC(DFMC) Paper No. 75/16) 28. <u>The Secretary</u> reported that as at 30 August 2016, the estimated expenditure for the district minor works of the financial year 2016-2017 was about \$14,920,000.

- 29. The DFMC endorsed the above report.
- iv)Report on the organization of recreational and sports activities as well as the management of leisure facilities in Sai Kung by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department from July to August 2016 (SKDC(DFMC) Paper No. 76/16)
- 30. The DFMC endorsed the above report.
- v) Report on free local cultural programmes by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department in Sai Kung district (SKDC(DFMC) Paper No. 77/16)
- 31. The DFMC endorsed the above report.
- vi)Report on promotion activities in public libraries of Sai Kung district (SKDC(DFMC) Paper No. 78/16)
- 32. The DFMC endorsed the above report.
- vii) Report on community halls / centres in Sai Kung and the Demerit Point Record (SKDC(DFMC) Paper No. 79/16)
- 33. The DFMC endorsed the above report.

IV. Motions Presented by Members

- i) Works Proposal: "Request to construct shade structure as well as leisure and recreational facilities for the elderly and children at the government land by the roadside of Tan Shan Village, Tseng Lan Shue" (SKDC(DFMC) Paper No. 80/16)
- 34. The Chairman said that the motion was moved by Mr. YAU Yuk-lun.

35. Some Members said that residents nearby should be consulted before constructing leisure facilities. <u>The Chairman</u> said that after the endorsement of the works proposal, the

SKDO would consult the stakeholders in the area. If objection was raised, the issue would be discussed again at the meeting.

36. There being no objections from Members, <u>the Chairman</u> declared that the works proposal was endorsed. The LCSD was asked to follow up.

ii) Works Proposal: "Addition of lighting system at the footpath from Po Lam Road North (near Hong Sing Garden) to To Lok Road" (SKDC(DFMC) Paper No. 81/16)

37. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the motion was moved by Mr. Frankie LAM.

38. There being no objections from Members, <u>the Chairman</u> declared that the works proposal was endorsed. The Highways Department (HyD) was asked to follow up.

iii)Member's Motion: "Request the Government to look into constructing a swimming shed by the seaside of Tseung Kwan O" (SKDC(DFMC) Paper No. 82/16)

39. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the motion was moved by Mr. Raymond HO and seconded by Mr. TSE Ching-fung.

40. Members gave their comments and raised some questions about the motion:

- Members were concerned about the safety of the swimming shed;
- The utilization rate of the swimming pools in Sai Kung was the highest in the territory. It was hoped that the SKDC could write to the relevant departments and request them to construct more similar facilities;
- A swimming shed by the seaside might be considered, provided that it would be safe and hygienic enough and large vessels would not pass by the area; and
- It might take a longer time to look into the construction of a swimming shed. It was suggested that the LCSD should construct an indoor heated swimming pool to meet the demand for swimming facilities from the public.

41. <u>Miss Daphne CHAN, Senior Executive Officer (Planning), LCSD</u> said that swimming shed service was currently not available from the LCSD. A number of factors had to be considered regarding the construction of a swimming shed, among which the safety and health of swimmers were the most important. These factors included: the suitability of water quality for swimming; the presence of fairways, drains, sea water intake, etc. nearby which might affect the safety of swimmers; the feasibility of providing swimmers with the appropriate lifeguard service, etc. Hence, the LCSD encouraged the public to use the swimming pools and beaches managed by the LCSD which provided lifeguard and other related services.

42. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the waters off Tseung Kwan O did not fall within the purview of the Harbourfront Commission, nor was it governed by the Protection of the Harbour Ordinance. Hence, the SKDC should write to the LCSD and the Home Affairs Bureau (HAB) to convey the request. <u>The Chairman</u> added that some skippers said that undercurrent often occurred in Tseung Kwan O waters. Besides, drowning of swimmers had happened last year. It was hoped that the assessment or study in the future could put safety first.

43. <u>Ms. LOK Kit-ha, Chief Leisure Manager (New Territories East), LCSD</u> suggested that the Secretariat could invite Members, as well as the representatives from the LCSD and other relevant government departments to hold a meeting to look into the feasibility of setting up a swimming shed by the seaside of Tseung Kwan O.

44. <u>The Chairman</u> declared that the motion was endorsed. The DMFC would write to the LCSD and the HAB to convey the request.

iv)Member's Motion: "Request the Government Property Agency to provide the list of departments to be accommodated inside the new government building at Tseung Kwan O Area 67 as well as the information on the services that could be available from those departments" (SKDC(DFMC) Paper No. 83/16)

45. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the motion was moved by Mr. Edwin CHEUNG and seconded by Ms. Christine FONG, Mr. CHAN Kai-wai and Mr. CHEUNG Mei-hung.

46. Members gave the following comments:

- Members asked the Government Property Agency (GPA) to provide the layout plan of the new government building; and
- Members suggested making an enquiry to the GPA regarding the planning of the car park of the new government building, the number of parking spaces available and the arrangement for opening up the car park for public use.

47. <u>The Chairman</u> declared that the motion was endorsed. The DFMC would write to the GPA to convey the request.

V. <u>Any Other Business</u>

i) Motion referred by the Working Group on Tourism & Economic Development: "Construction of a hiking trail between the pier of Kau Sai Chau Public Golf Course and the embankment (locally known as 'Yuk Tai Kiu') of Yim Tin Tsai" (SKDC(DFMC) Paper No. 84/16)

48. <u>The Chairman</u> said that this motion was endorsed at the meeting of the Working Group on Tourism & Economic Development on 9 September 2016 and referred to the DFMC for follow up.

49. Members gave their comments and raised some questions as follows:

- Members inquired about the transport arrangement from the urban area to Kau Sai Chau or Yim Tin Tsai and vice versa;
- The Hong Kong Jockey Club Kau Sai Chau Golf Club was invited to send representatives to attend the DFMC meeting to present the project;
- Members suggested going to Kau Sai Chau for site inspection; and
- Members suggested applying for funding from the Hong Kong Jockey Club (HKJC) to support this project.

50. <u>Mr. WONG Ping-ming, Senior Inspector of Works, SKDO</u> added that both Yim Tin Tsai and the HKJC Kau Sai Chau Golf Club were popular tourist attraction and sports ground. The Hung Shing Temple at Kau Sai Village was high in historical value. While the three places were in the proximity of each other, footpaths were presently not available to link them up. The first phase of the project was to link up Yuk Tai Kiu of Yim Tin Tsai with the HKJC Kau Sai Chau Golf Club. It was believed that this project would help to promote the tourism development of Sai Kung. This part of the project included:

- A hiking trail of about 940 metres in length on the grass slope;
- A wooden walkway of about 220 metres in length, with gabions of 1 metre in height as foundation in locations where the subsoil was not good enough;
- Construction of stairways with wood or stone on steep slopes;
- Construction of three bridges to cross over the existing streams; and
- Provision of simulated wood fences, signs and warning signs at the appropriate locations.

51. <u>Mr. WONG Ping-ming of the SKDO</u> continued to say that the SKDO and the HKJC had discussed the routing and the design of the hiking trail for many times. Consent from the HKJC Kau Sai Chau Golf Club was obtained to commence the works. The HAD had

completed the consultation regarding the project and no objection was received. It was estimated that the project cost would be \$3,000,000. Subject to the approval from the DFMC, tendering procedures for the project was expected to start in November 2016. At the same time, the SKDO and the HKJC were actively looking into the design of the second phase – the connection between HKJC Kau Sai Chau Golf Club and Kau Sai Village. They would seek funding allocation from the DFMC after confirming the detailed routing.

52. <u>Mr. Marco CHU of the SKDO</u> added that due to the relatively complex nature of the second phase, more funding allocation would be needed. The SKDO might seek funding support from the HKJC for the works under the second phase. If Members would like to seek funding support from the HKJC for the works under the first phase, the SKDO would need more time to discuss with the HKJC. The progress of the works would be affected as a result.

53. Members gave the following responses:

- Members believed that the funding needed for the second phase might be greater than that of the first phase. However, as the funding available under district minor works was limited, it was hoped that the relevant organization could provide support for part of the construction cost; and
- Members suggested inviting the representative of the relevant organization to attend the meeting to discuss the issue.

54. There being no objections from Members, <u>the Chairman</u> declared that the works proposal was endorsed. Site inspection might be arranged for Members to learn more about the project and to give their comments.

ii) Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon 2017 – Invitation to join the District Councils Challenge Cup (SKDC(DFMC) Paper No. 85/16)

55. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the organizer of Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon would like to invite the district councils to send ten representatives (including district council members of the current term) to participate in the 10 km run under the District Councils Challenge Cup. If the district councils decided to participate as a team, an entry fee of \$2,500 would be required.

56. There being no objections from Members, <u>the Chairman</u> declared that the SKDC would participate in the competition. He invited the interested Members to register with the Secretariat. He asked the Secretariat to apply for funding from the Finance & Administration Committee (FAC) after the meeting.

iii)Issues related to SKDC funding (SKDC(DFMC) Paper Nos. 86/15 and 87/15)

57. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the LCSD had reduced the scale of the activity programme for the current year in mid-2016 in view of the funding reserved by the SKDC. As it was expected that there would be a surplus in the SKDC funding in the current financial year, the Secretariat had contacted the LCSD before the meeting to ask if additional activities could be held before the end of the current financial year. The Secretariat had explained to the LCSD that even if the DFMC had agreed on the application for additional funding, the application would still be forwarded to the FAC for decision after their discussion regarding the surplus funding of the current financial year in early October. (Post meeting note: The application for additional funding was approved by the FAC on 4 October.)

58. Members noted the funding application from the LCSD on holding additional recreational and sports activities as well as promotion activities in public libraries. There being no objections from Members, <u>the Chairman</u> declared that the application for additional funding was endorsed. The application would be referred to the FAC to decide whether it

should be endorsed.

iv) Issues related to the facilities on Black Hill

59. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the SKDO recently noticed that the DLO/SK would arrange clearance operations against the structures erected by members of the public on the slope of Black Hill off Kwong Tin Estate of Lam Tin. Such structures included rain shelter and other miscellaneous items. As those structures were found within Sai Kung district, the DLO/SK intended to remove them. However, the DLO/SK had received comments from a number of KTDC members, requesting the Government to preserve those facilities erected by residents of Kwun Tong, or to provide similar facilities for use by the public.

60. Members gave the following responses regarding the facilities on Black Hill:

- As members of the public had erected the facilities themselves, it showed that there was a demand for such facilities. The SKDC should push forward the relevant projects to improve the facilities on the hill;
- Members expressed their support regarding the removal of illegal structures by the DLO/SK; and
- It was suggested that a site inspection should be arranged and representatives from the KTDC should be invited to follow up on the works currently being conducted on the hill and discuss the future direction of the works.

61. <u>Mr. Marco CHU of the SKDO</u> added that in view of the requests from members of the KTDC to either preserve those illegal structures or to provide similar facilities for residents as received by the DLO/SK, he would like to hear the views from Members regarding the provision of the relevant facilities on Black Hill.

62. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the DFMC would conduct a site inspection at Black Hill and might consider inviting the KTDC to send representatives to attend.

v) The Hong Kong Brands and Products Expo – Invitation to send performing groups to represent the district

63. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the Secretariat had received a letter from the Chinese Manufacturers' Association of Hong Kong inviting local groups from all districts to perform at the Hong Kong Brands and Products Expo of 2016. Members who would like to recommend any suitable local performing groups could contact the Secretariat after the meeting. If more than one performing group was suggested, lots would be drawn to decide which group should be sent to represent the district.

VI. Date of Next Meeting

64. There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

65. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the next meeting would be held on 8 November 2016.

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