

**Review of the Arrangement for the Total Ban on Smoking
in Public Pleasure Grounds
by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD)**

Purpose

This paper informs Members that LCSD has proposed to continue the total ban on smoking in public pleasure grounds under its management in Eastern District after review and seeks Members' views on the proposal.

Background

2. The Smoking (Public Health) (Amendment) Ordinance 2006 has come into effect since 1 January 2007. We sought Members' views on the designation of "smoking areas" in public pleasure grounds in the District at the Environment and Hygiene Committee Meeting on 16 November 2006. Members decided a total ban on smoking at all public pleasure grounds in the District.

Details of the Proposal

3. The anti-smoking measures being implemented in Eastern District have all been well received by the public since introduction into public pleasure grounds. LCSD now proposes to continue the total ban on smoking in 94 public pleasure grounds in the District. One additional public pleasure ground namely Siu Sai Wan Road Garden, has been provided in the District since 1 January 2007. As a result, the number of venues with total ban on smoking in the District has been increased from 94 to 95.

Implementation of the Proposal

4. Subject to Members' views, LCSD will continue to impose smoking ban at all existing venues and the venues being added.

Advice Sought

5. Members are invited to give their views.