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Reports of Meetings of the Committees of Sha Tin District Council

Reports of meetings of the Committees of Sha Tin District Council are attached for members' reference. Please refer to Appendices I to VII for details:

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Report on the meeting of Culture, Sports and Community Development Committee
held on 25 August 2011

- (1) The Committee endorsed:
- (i) the draft study report of Working Group on Historical Study of Ma On Shan Mine (Ad Hoc);
 - (ii) the funding application submitted by Sha Tin West One Area Committee in the amount of \$49,990 for the “Gala Evening of Sha Tin West One Area Committee”; and
 - (iii) the funding application submitted by Sha Tin District National Education Committee for the “Production of a Special Publication on Sha Tin District National Education Committee (tentative name)”, and the proposed amount was \$64,200.
- (2) The Committee noted:
- (i) the paper on the proposed design for the Sports Centre, Community Hall cum Library at Sha Tin Area 14B;
 - (ii) the reply of Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) to the question on the “Organisation of Activities in Stone Park”;
 - (iii) the replies of Architectural Services Department, Electrical and Mechanical Services Department, Highways Department and the LCSD to the question on the “Lighting Facilities along the Bank of Shing Mun River”;
 - (iv) the briefing papers on “2012 Sha Tin Lunar New Year Fair” and “2012 Sha Tin Che Kung Festival Fair” submitted by Food and Environmental Hygiene Department;
 - (v) the paper on the Sha Tin District recreation and sports activity programme of the LCSD for the first quarter (April to June) of 2012/13;

- (vi) the financial position and activity progress of various expenditure heads of the Committee; and
- (vii) the minutes of meetings of the Committee's Working Group on Promotion of Civic-Mindedness and Youth Affairs and Working Group on Historical Study of Ma On Shan Mine (Ad Hoc).

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Report on the Enlarged Meeting of Development and Housing Committee
held on 1 September 2011

- (1) The Committee discussed the consultation paper on the “Direction of Public Housing Development in Fo Tan, Sha Tin” submitted by Housing Department and the consultation paper on the “Draft Mau Ping Development Permission Area Plan No. DPA/ST-MP/1” submitted by Planning Department.
- (2) The Committee endorsed:
 - (i) the proposals of Working Group on District Improvement Works, including implementation of a district improvement works project at a total cost of \$236,000 commissioned to the term consultant, revision of the scope of two works projects, and deletion of a works project. The Committee also endorsed the financial arrangement for the district improvement works projects that had already commenced; and
 - (ii) Motion regarding “Consultation on the Planning for Public Rental Housing”:

“The Committee strongly requests the government to expeditiously announce the lots to be reserved for public housing programmes in Sha Tin over the next three years, and actively consult the public in order to solicit comments from all interested parties such as the residents and housing estates in the vicinity and community organisations, and then conduct a comprehensive consultation with Sha Tin District Council so as to draw up a favourable community development plan.” (The motion was unanimously endorsed with a vote of 24 in favour.)
- (3) The Committee noted:
 - (i) the replies of Buildings Department and Planning Department to the question on the “Comprehensive Development Area in Tai Wai”;

- (ii) the replies of Housing Department and Buildings Department to the question on “Approval for Minor Works in Public Rental Housing Estates”;
- (iii) the replies of Housing Department, Electrical and Mechanical Services Department, Buildings Department, the MTR Corporation Limited and Link Management Limited to the question on “Escalator Safety”;
- (iv) the replies of Hong Kong Jockey Club, Sha Tin Lands Office, Planning Department and Buildings Department to the question on the “Construction of Office Building by Hong Kong Jockey Club”;
- (v) the minutes of meeting of Working Group on Housing Affairs, Working Group on Economic Development and Labour Affairs and Working Group on District Improvement Works;
- (vi) the population of public housing estates and Private Sector Participation Scheme courts in Sha Tin;
- (vii) the financial position of Expenditure Head 2 (District Improvement Works) and the progress report on the proposed works; and
- (viii) the financial position and activity progress of Expenditure Head 2 (Development and Housing).

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 Report on the Meeting of District Facilities Management Committee
 held on 23 August 2011

(1) The Committee endorsed:

(i) the following proposals submitted by Working Group on District Facilities Works:

- (a) feasibility study reports submitted by the term contractor on ST-DMW148 “Construction of a Sitting-out Area in Hung Mui Kuk” and ST-DMW193 “Construction of a Sitting-out Area in Area 4C of Tai Wai”, the estimated costs being \$492,000 and \$6,495,000 respectively; and
- (b) implementation of the five proposed new projects below and the funding arrangements:

<u>Name of Project</u>	<u>Estimated Project Cost</u>
(1) Provision of Lockers in Ten Community Halls/Centres	\$273,000
(2) Installation of a Vertical Lifting Platform in Sha Kok Community Hall	\$1,500,000
(3) Construction of a Pets Garden beside Tai Wai Clinic	\$1,700,000
(4) Provision of Recreational Facilities on the Hillside behind Holford Gardens	\$1,900,000
(5) Provision of a Toilet in Wong Uk Garden	\$3,000,000
Total:	\$8,373,000

(ii) the eleven funding applications submitted by community libraries:

	<u>Applicant Organisation</u>	<u>Name of Activity</u>	<u>Amount Applied for</u>
(a)	Owners' Committee of Monte Vista (Monte Vista Library)	Enhancement of Community Library Facilities	\$8,000
(b)	Incorporated Owners of Sunshine Grove	Reading Award Scheme	\$8,000
(c)	Sha Tin Inhabitants Association (Lee On Integrated Services Centre)	Relaxed Reading	\$8,000
(d)	Sha Tin Inhabitants Association (Hin Keng Integrated Services Centre)	Reading Workshop	\$8,000
(e)	Family Planning Association of Hong Kong (Ma On Shan Women's Club)	Lifetime Reading	\$3,260
(f)	Boys' & Girls' Clubs Association of Hong Kong (Jockey Club Ma On Shan Children and Youth Integrated Services Centre)	"Joyful Reading" — Reading Promotion Scheme	\$8,000
(g)	Boys' & Girls' Clubs Association of Hong Kong (Jockey Club Tai Wai Children and Youth Integrated Services Centre)	Joyful Reading Award Scheme	\$8,000
(h)	Sha Tin Emmanuel Church	Emmanuel Neighbourhood Centre — Kwong Yuen Library Stop	\$8,000
(i)	Owners' Committee of Prima Villa	Books Lending Service	\$4,600
(j)	Activist Association	Books, Periodicals and Newspapers Lending Service	\$8,000

(k) Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD)	Purchase of Community Library Facilities	\$5,000
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Total: \$76,860

(2) The Committee noted:

- (i) the reply of Sha Tin District Office (STDO) to the question on operational arrangements for the STDC Neighbourhood Activity Centre;
- (ii) the minutes of meetings of Working Group on the Management of Community Halls and Libraries, Working Group on the Management of Recreation and Sports Facilities and Working Group on District Facilities Works;
- (iii) the report on the management of recreation and sports facilities in Sha Tin and the report on the promotional activities and services of public libraries in Sha Tin submitted by the LCSD;
- (iv) the report on the management of community halls in Sha Tin submitted by the STDO;
- (v) the progress report on 2011/2012 District Facilities Works;
- (vi) the financial position and activity progress of Expenditure Head 9 (District Facilities Management); and
- (vii) the final report on the work of District Facilities Management Committee.

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Report on the Meeting of Education and Welfare Committee
held on 30 August 2011

- (1) The Committee endorsed:
- (i) the draft booklets on “Walk with You” and “Menu Design Competition” respectively; and
 - (ii) the provisional motion on “Residential Care Places for the Elderly”:

“The Education and Welfare Committee of Sha Tin District Council strongly requests the Government to put in additional resources to ameliorate the problem of insufficient residential care places for the elderly in Sha Tin District, and consummate elderly services so that our senior citizens who had made contributions to Hong Kong would be able to enjoy an easy and comfortable old age.” (The motion was passed with a vote of 24 in favour, 0 against).

- (2) The Committee noted:
- (i) the minutes of meetings of Working Group on Education and International Day of Disabled Persons, Working Group on Welfare of Senior Citizens and Working Group on the Care of Under-privileged Community and Family Violence, as well as the updated member list of Working Group on the Care of Under-privileged Community and Family Violence; and
 - (ii) the financial position and activity progress of Expenditure Head 5 (Education and Welfare).

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Report on the Enlarged Meeting of
Finance and General Affairs Committee held on 12 September 2011

- (1) The Committee endorsed:
 - (i) the 2008-2011 Term Report of Sha Tin District Council.;
 - (ii) the funding application in the amount of \$68,020 submitted by Sha Tin District Fight Crime Committee for “Anti-drug Mural Painting Programme”; and
 - (iii) the funding application in the amount of \$30,000 submitted by the YMCA Hin Keng Centre for a graffiti competition.

- (2) The Committee noted:
 - (i) the minutes of meeting of Working Group on Public Relations;
 - (ii) the financial position of Sha Tin District Council as at 31 August 2011;
 - (iii) the financial position and activity progress of Expenditure Head 3 (Finance, General Affairs and Other Large Scale Activities) as at 31 August 2011; and
 - (iv) the revised estimates of Sha Tin District Council as at 31 August 2011.

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Report on the Meeting of Health and Environment Committee
held on 8 September 2011

- (1) The Committee discussed:
- (i) the paper on “Public Toilet Renovation Project at 30 Wo Liu Hang Road” submitted by Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD); and
 - (ii) the paper on “Review on the Setting Up of Designated Smoking Areas in Public Leisure Grounds” submitted by Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD).
- (2) The Committee noted:
- (i) the replies of Home Affairs Department (Works Section), Sha Tin District Office, the LCSD, the FEHD, Housing Department, Drainage Services Department, Electrical and Mechanical Services Department, Water Supplies Department, Civil Engineering and Development Department, Buildings Department and Sha Tin Lands Office to the question on the “Offer of Support to the Development of Local Environmental Technology and Its Associated Industries”, and endorsed the following motion unanimously with a vote of 23 in favour:

“Health and Environment Committee of Sha Tin District Council strongly requests the government to give priority to green products when procuring building materials for various works projects, so as to support the development of environmental industries”;
 - (ii) the reply of Environmental Protection Department (EPD) to the question on “Clinical Waste Control Scheme”;
 - (iii) the replies of the EPD and Highways Department to the question on the “Noise Problem Originated from Sha Tin Rural Committee Road (the Section Opposite Lucky Plaza)”, and endorsed the following motion unanimously with a vote of 24 in favour:

“As the residents of Lek Yuen Estate and Lucky Plaza are seriously affected by the high level of noise pollution on Sha Tin Rural Committee Road, Health and Environment Committee of Sha Tin District Council requests relevant government departments to consider every possible measure to lower the level of noise pollution on Sha Tin Rural Committee Road and keep the sources of pollution in check, so as to protect the residents of Lek Yuen Estate and Lucky Plaza against noise nuisance and safeguard public health”;

- (iv) the replies of Health Department and Labour Department to the question on “Breastfeeding Policy”;
- (v) the minutes of meeting of Working Group on Cleanliness and Hygiene of Sha Tin District;
- (vi) the financial position and activity progress report of Expenditure Head 4 (Health and Hygiene);
- (vii) the paper on the “Second Phase of the Anti-rodent Campaign 2011 in Sha Tin” submitted by the FEHD;
- (viii) the paper on the “Third Phase of the Anti-mosquito Campaign 2011 in Sha Tin” submitted by the FEHD; and
- (ix) the paper on “Sha Tin District Environmental Hygiene Service Statistical Overview (as at 31 July 2011)” submitted by the FEHD.

Sha Tin District Council
Report on the Enlarged Meeting of Traffic and Transport Committee
held on 6 September 2011

(1) The Committee discussed the paper on the “Sha Tin to Central Link (SCL) Project” submitted by Highways Department and the MTR Corporation Limited (MTRC). All District Council members and Committee members supported the above project, and hoped that the construction would be expedited so as to effect early commissioning of the SCL, which would allow commuters travelling between Sha Tin and Central to enjoy a more efficient service. They exchanged their views on optimisation options with Highways Department and the MTRC during the meeting.

(2) The Committee endorsed:

(i) the paper on the “Improvement Works at the Merging Point of Tai Po Road, Shing Mun Tunnel Road and Tsing Sha Highway (Northbound)” submitted by Transport Department (endorsed with a vote of 28 in favour and 1 abstention);

(ii) the “Research Report on Sha Tin District Bus Route Improvement” submitted by Working Group on Traffic and Transport Study (unanimously endorsed with a vote of 32 in favour);

(iii) the motion on the “Request for Conversion of Route 274P to a Whole-day Service”:

“Traffic and Transport Committee of Sha Tin District Council strongly requests Kowloon Motor Bus Company (1933) Limited (the KMB) to expeditiously convert Route 274P to a whole-day service plying between Tai Po, Hong Kong Science Park, University MTR Station and Ma On Shan to meet passenger demand.” (Endorsed with a vote of 23 in favour and 1 abstention);

(iv) the motion on the “Service of Airbus Route A41”:

“Traffic and Transport Committee of Sha Tin District Council urges Transport Department and the bus company to respond to the residents’ request by expeditiously arranging for Airbus Route A41 to provide whole-day service for the

Kwong Yuen Estate, Kwong Lam Court, Hong Lam Court and Castello areas in order to benefit more residents.” (Endorsed with a vote of 26 in favour and 1 abstention); and

- (v) the motion on the “Request for Improvement of Transport Services in On Tai Area”:

“Traffic and Transport Committee of Sha Tin District Council strongly requests Transport and Housing Bureau to review the public transport services in On Tai area, and make improvements expeditiously taking into consideration the following options:

1. provision of whole-day cross-harbour bus service in Sha Tin;
2. provision of an internal route plying between Ning Tai Road, Sunshine City and Yan On Estate;
3. provision of a special express route travelling from Ning Tai Road to major regions during peak hours;
4. provision of inter-company bus-bus interchange concession;
5. increase of the frequency of bus and rail service; and
6. provision of additional exits in Tai Shui Hang Station and Heng On Station on Ma On Shan Line.”

(Unanimously endorsed with a vote of 24 in favour.)

- (3) The Committee noted:

- (i) the reply of Transport Department to the question on the “Request for a New Bus Route Plying Between Sha Tin MTR Station and A Kung Kok Shan Road”;
- (ii) the replies of Buildings Department, Electrical and Mechanical Services Department and the MTRC to the question on the “Safety of Staircases in Fo Tan MTR Station”;
- (iii) the reply of the KMB to the question on the “KMB Bus Stop Shelters”;
- (iv) the replies of Transport and Housing Bureau, Transport Department and Leisure and Cultural Services Department to the question on “Bicycle Accidents”, and endorsed the following provisional motion:

“Traffic and Transport Committee of Sha Tin District Council strongly requests Transport Department to expeditiously improve the safety facilities on the cycling track and perfect the cycling network, as well as stepping up cyclist safety education to prevent accidents and safeguard public safety.”
(Unanimously endorsed with a vote of 27 in favour);

- (v) the progress report submitted by Transport Department;
- (vi) the minutes of meeting of Working Group on Road Safety and Working Group on Traffic and Transport Study;
- (vii) the financial position and activity progress of Expenditure Head 7;
- (viii) the report on the progress of works of Highways Department;
- (ix) the population of public housing estates and Private Sector Participation Scheme courts in Sha Tin; and
- (x) the prosecution figures on traffic offences in Sha Tin town centre.