

**Brief Summary of the 55th Meeting of the
Yau Tsim Mong District Management Committee on 16 June 2004**

The Yau Tsim Mong District Management Committee (YTMDMC) held its 55th Meeting on 16 June 2004. Members noted the contents of papers presented to the meeting and salient points of discussion are summarized below.

(I) Matters Arising

Vacant Government land along Austin Road West

2. Members noted that the proposed planting of climbing plants by Yau Tsim Mong District Office (YTMDO) on the fencing of vacant Government land on Austin Road West would be done in July after the sites were taken over by District Lands Office/ Kowloon West from the Territory Development Department.

Transport and Security Matters of Hoi Fan Road and Hoi Fai Road

3. Members were contented with the replies of the Transport Department and the Police.

Illegal Structures in Arthur Street

4. Members noted that the District Lands Office/Kowloon West had filed an application to the Housing Department for clearance of illegal structures in Arthur Street and Hi Lung Lane. In addition, the Chairman had also written to Housing Department conveying the Committee's support for higher priority in light of the food hygiene hazard. It was also confirmed that clearance notice would be served on owners/operators of illegal structures prior to the clearance.

(II) Items which the Government departments anticipate to consult the Yau Tsim Mong District Council (YTMDC) and its Committees from June to August 2004

5. Members noted that representatives of relevant Government departments/bureaux would attend the coming DC Meeting on 24 June 2004 on the following agenda items:

- (a) Concern over the Planning and Invitation for Proposals of the West Kowloon Cultural District.
- (b) Impacts of Construction of the Central Kowloon Route on the Provision of Community Facilities.
- (c) Feasibility Study on the Construction of a Public Transport Terminal Building.
- (d) Annoying Phone Calls at Late Night

6. Members noted that the Council would discuss its standing order on admission of the public including local and professional bodies to meetings. The Chairman shared his experiences concerning admission and participation of the public at meetings in Legislative Council and other statutory bodies. In order to maintain a good working relationship established between the Administration and YTMDC in the past, the Chairman said that he would draft some guidelines for official members' comments to facilitate their staff in attending DC and committee meetings.

(III) Team Clean Initiatives and Progress Report on Clean Hong Kong District Action Plan for YTM District from April - May 2004

7. Members noted the contents of the Progress Report on Clean Hong Kong District Action Plan for Yau Tsim Mong District April - May 2004.

(IV) Anti-mosquito Campaigns by Food & Environmental Hygiene Department and District Lands Office/ Kowloon West in Yau Tsim Mong District

8. Members noted SS(YTM), FEHD's introduction of Ovitrap Index system and follow up actions to be taken in each level of the findings. FEHD would step up preventive actions including private properties as well, LCSD would mount special cleansing in Kowloon Park while DLO/KW would be responsible for grass cutting in unleased and unallocated Government land in the district.

9. Mr. LEUNG Wai-kuen reported on an anti-dengue fever actions taken by the YTM District Civic Education Campaign Organizing Committee and the YTM CHK Committee. YTMDC Food & Environmental Hygiene Committee and YTM CHK Committee would be mobilized to join one of the FEHD's anti-mosquitoes operations to construction sites.

(V) Report on measures taken by government departments to prevent flooding in the Yau Tsim Mong District April – May 2004

10. Members noted that there had not been incidents of serious flooding in the district for the past three years, save the one occurred on 8 May 2004; further efforts would be required to prevent recurrence of flooding

(VI) Progress Reports on the work of the YTMDC and its Committees and Area Committees

11. Members noted the contents of the reports.

(VII) New Items

Integrative service for Street sleepers in Yau Tsim Mong District and Intergrative Family Service Centres in Yau Tsim Mong District

12. DSWO (YTM) introduced two papers on the subject and briefed members on the changes of services after the reengineering. Since the frontline police officers would often call on SWD for assistance on cases concerning family disputes and street sleepers, consideration would be given to organize briefing sessions to familiarize police personnel with the changes in service.

Team Clean Exercise: Clean Hong Kong Day

13. The Chairman reported on details of the "Clean Hong Kong Day" to be held on Sunday, 27 June 2004. Yau Ma Tei Fruit Market and its adjacent streets had been selected as the target area for this activity. Members were invited to join the cleansing program at 10.30 am, with other volunteers, FEHD personnel and YTM CHK Committee. Ms NG Po-shan supplemented that besides the morning cleansing exercise, a publicity show with Cantonese operatic songs would be held in the afternoon at the Tsim Sha Tsui Kaifong Association Building.

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