

Minutes of the 6th Meeting of
the Vetting Committee
Eastern District Council

Date: 11 December 2018 (Tuesday)

Time: 2:30 pm

Venue: Eastern District Council Conference Room

| <u>Present</u> | <u>Time of Arrival</u> <u>(pm)</u> | <u>Time of Departure</u> <u>(pm)</u> |
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| Mr TING Kong-ho, Eddie | 2:30 | end of meeting |
| Mr WONG Chi-chung, Dominic (Vice-chairman) | 2:30 | end of meeting |
| Mr KU Kwai-yiu | 2:30 | end of meeting |
| Mr HO Ngai-kam, Stanley | 2:30 | end of meeting |
| Mr LAM Sum-lim | 2:30 | end of meeting |
| Mr HUNG Lin-cham, MH | 3:20 | end of meeting |
| Mr CHUI Chi-kin | 3:00 | end of meeting |
| Mr CHEUNG Kwok-cheong, Howard | 2:45 | end of meeting |
| Mr LEUNG Siu-sun, Patrick | 2:30 | 3:10 |
| Mr HUI Lam-hing | 2:30 | end of meeting |
| Ms CHIK Kit-ling Elaine | 2:30 | end of meeting |
| Mr WONG Kin-pan, BBS, MH, JP | 2:40 | end of meeting |
| Mr YEUNG Sze-chun | 2:30 | end of meeting |
| Mr CHIU Chi-keung, BBS | 2:30 | end of meeting |
| Mr CHENG Chi-sing | 2:35 | end of meeting |
| Mr LAI Chi-keong, Joseph | 2:30 | end of meeting |
| Mr NGAN Chun-lim, MH | 2:30 | end of meeting |
| Mr LO Wing-kwan, Frankie, MH (Chairman) | 2:30 | end of meeting |
| Mr KUNG Pak-cheung, MH | 2:30 | end of meeting |
| Mr CHAN Lai-yin (Co-opted Member) | 2:30 | end of meeting |
| Mr FAN Hai-tai (Co-opted Member) | 2:30 | end of meeting |

Absent with Apologies

Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung, David (absent with consent)

Mr MAK Tak-ching

Dr CHIU Ka-yin, Andrew (absent with consent)

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In Regular Attendance (Government Representatives)

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| Miss NGAI Lai-ying, Angora | Assistant District Officer (Eastern) 1, Eastern District Office |
| Mr KWAN Yu-keung, Frederick | Senior Liaison Officer (3), Eastern District Office |
| Ms NG Yan-mei, Monie | Senior Executive Officer (District Council), Eastern District Office |
| Miss HAU Tsun-tsun, Kenix (Secretary) | Executive Officer I (District Council) 1, Eastern District Office |

In Attendance by Invitation (Representatives from the Government and Organisations)

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| Miss TANG Wai-yan, Zoe | Manager (Hong Kong East) Marketing, Programme and District Activities, Leisure and Cultural Services Department |
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Papers Tabled

- (i) VC Paper No. 56/18- Appendix I (revised) and Application No. 180437 had been submitted for the discussion of agenda item VIII.
- (ii) The timetable for submission of funding applications in Year 2019-2020 had been submitted for the discussion of other agenda items.

Opening Remarks

The Chairman welcomed all Members and government representatives to the meeting. Members were also invited to declare their interests pursuant to Section 48 of the “Standing Orders of the Eastern District Council” (the Standing Orders) when necessary. Members were advised to declare interests before discussing the agenda items concerned for record purpose and for ruling of the interest(s) declared.

I. Confirmation of the Draft Minutes of the 5th Meeting of VC

2. The Vetting Committee (VC) confirmed the above draft minutes without amendment.

II. Discussion on How to Handle Cases Which Do Not Meet the Criteria for Reimbursement of Expenses

(VC Paper No. 50/18)

3. The Chairman invited Members to declare their interests.

4. The Chairman said that he and the Vice-chairman had both declared interests about their positions as Honorary Advisors of “Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited”. He invited all Members present (other than the Chairman, Vice-chairman and other Members who had already made the interest declaration) to rule on the declarations of the Chairman and the Vice-chairman. The VC agreed that as the position held by the Chairman and Vice-chairman in the applicant organisation were nominal ones, they could participate in the discussion and decision-making of the funding applications concerned and could continue to chair the meeting.

5. The interests declared by Members were summarised as follows:

| Name of Member | Application No. | Interests in the Relevant Organisations |
|-----------------------|------------------------|--|
| Mr Frankie LO | 180065 | Honorary Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |
| Mr Dominic WONG | 180065 | Honorary Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |
| Mr WONG Kin-pan | 180065 | Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |
| Mr CHENG Chi-sing | 180065 | Honorary Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |
| Mr HUNG Lin-cham | 180065 | Honorary Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |
| Mr KU Kwai-yiu | 180065 | Honorary Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |
| Mr | 180065 | Honorary Advisor, Eastern District Recreation |

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| Name of Member | Application No. | Interests in the Relevant Organisations |
|-----------------------|------------------------|--|
| KUNG Pak-cheung | | and Sports Advancement Association Limited |
| Mr Joseph LAI | 180065 | Honorary Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |
| Mr LAM Sum-lim | 180065 | Honorary Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |
| Mr NGAN Chun-lim | 180065 | Honorary Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |
| Mr Eddie TING | 180065 | Honorary Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |
| Mr YEUNG Sze-chun | 180065 | Honorary Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |

6. The Chairman said that the positions declared by the Members in the applicant organisation were nominal ones, so the Members could participate in the discussion and decision-making of the cases concerned.

7. The Secretary briefed the meeting on Paper No. 50/18.

(i) A Case where the Relevant Organisations changed the Date of Activity without Submitting Application to the VC

“The 12th Chai Wan Baptist Church Cup Basketball Invitation Championships” of “Chai Wan Baptist Church Social Service” (Application No.: 180007)

8. The views and enquiries of 2 Members about the application were summarised as follows:

(a) Mr CHIU Chi-keung pointed out that this was the second time “Chai Wan Baptist Church Social Service” violated the Guidelines on the Eastern District Community Involvement Project Subsidy Scheme (the Guidelines) on the issue in the matter. Therefore, he suggested issuing a warning letter to the organisation.

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- (b) Mr KUNG Pak-cheung opined that the organization concerned coordinated events by deploying paid staff rather than volunteers and thus should be issued a warning letter.

9. After discussion, the VC approved the reimbursement of expenses for the event in the matter but would issue a warning letter to the organisation.

(ii) *A Case where the Position and/or Font Size of “Sponsored by the Eastern District Council” on the Relevant Promotional Materials Failed to Comply with the Relevant Guidelines*

“Relaxing Day Trip to the Countryside” of “Estate Owners’ Committee of Fortress Metro Tower” (Application No.: 180223)

10. The Chairman pointed out that this was the second time “Estate Owners’ Committee of Fortress Metro Tower” violated the Guidelines on the issue in the matter. Therefore, he suggested issuing a warning letter to the organisation.

11. After discussion, the VC noted the fact that the promotional materials which were in breach of the Guidelines were not items approved for sponsor funding and thus approved the reimbursement of expenses for the event concerned. Nevertheless, a warning letter would be issued to the organisation as it was the second time the organisation violated the Guidelines.

(iii) *A Case where No Duty Members Attended the Event for Monitoring*

“Table Tennis Training Scheme in the Eastern District 18-19 (2)” of “Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited” (Application No.: 180065)

12. The views of 9 Members about the application were summarised as follows:

(a) The Chairman enquired of the duty Member whether he had received any telephone calls from the organization “Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited”.

(b) Mr LAM Sum-lim said that he was the duty Member of the event and that he had not received any telephone calls from the organization within the three months during which the event was conducted. He remarked that this was the first time of occurrence of the situation in the matter for

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the sponsored events of the organisation over the years. Therefore, he believed that this was an inadvertent breach of the Guidelines and that a reminder letter could be issued to the organisation. Besides, he pointed out that the venues of events lasting for more than one day might not have been confirmed upon the approval of sponsor funding. He suggested that the notification arrangements of the events should be optimised so that they would serve as reminders for the duty Members to attend the events accordingly.

- (c) Mr KU Kwai-yiu enquired about the number of times the organisation contacted the duty Member and whether the contact information of the duty Member as listed in the funding approval letter was correct. He quoted a competition event lasting for more than one day for which he was responsible under his duty as an example. He commended the event organiser for sending him details of the competition a few days before each round of the competition through the channel of mobile communications. Moreover, he suggested that applicant organisations should be required to provide the confirmed dates and venues of events in their applications upon the review of the Guidelines next year.
- (d) Mr NGAN Chun-lim opined that the organisation was duty-bound to successfully contact the duty Member. He suggested that the organisations which had been approved funding should notify the duty Members concerned about the dates of monitored events in a clear and concise manner if the events they organise would last for more than one day.
- (e) Mr CHIU Chi-keung agreed that the organisations should be duty-bound to contact the duty Members. He also believed that the organisations should be reminded to inform the Secretariat for follow-up action upon their inability to contact the duty Members.
- (f) Mr CHENG Chi-sing remarked that if the organisation had informed the Secretariat about the inability to contact the duty Member, the Secretariat would have taken follow-up action accordingly. Meanwhile, he pointed out that the duty Member should have received information about the event to be monitored after funding for the event was approved and thus the duty Member should bear the responsibility of attending the event for monitoring as well. However, if the information of the event to be monitored had not indicated the confirmed venue of the event, the duty

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Member would have to wait for the organisation to confirm the details concerned with him. He said that if the event would last for more than one day, the duty Member could agree on the dates of attendance with the organisation. He usually attended the ceremonial functions of events.

- (g) The Vice-chairman believed that both the organisation concerned and the duty Member should bear responsibility for the situation in the matter. He said that he had recently been assigned to monitor an event lasting for three months and that he had proactively agreed on the dates of attendance for the monitored event with the organiser.
- (h) Mr Stanley HO remarked that each duty Member was assigned to monitor a number of events every year. The organisations should be duty-bound to take the initiative to contact the duty Members for confirming the information of their events. Besides, he pointed out that there were significant discrepancies between the actual dates of some events and the dates on which the duty Members were notified to attend the monitored events. As a result, the duty Members might not be able to immediately confirm whether they could attend the events.
- (i) Mr WONG Kin-pan suggested that the organisations should be obliged to provide the confirmed dates of events if the events would last for more than one day, so that the duty Members concerned could make arrangements accordingly and that the workload of the Secretariat would not be further increased.

13. The Chairman remarked in his reply that according to the explanation of the organisation, the organisation had only attempted to contact the duty Member once but could not reach him. No follow-up action was then taken due to the negligence of the staff. Therefore, he believed that it would be appropriate to issue a reminder letter to the organisation. Nevertheless, both the organisation concerned and the duty Member should bear responsibility for the situation in the matter. In addition, he reiterated that all Members had to take turns to attend events for monitoring purpose. He suggested that during the review of the Guidelines next year, Members' views should be considered, including the optimisation of notification arrangements of the events lasting for more than one day, requesting the organisations which had been approved funding to inform the Secretariat after a number of unsuccessful attempts to contact the duty Members concerned and requesting the organisations to provide the confirmed venues in their applications.

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14. After discussion, the VC endorsed reimbursement of the events' expenses but would issue a reminder letter to the organisation concerned.

(iv) *A Case where the Event Report and the Financial Report had Not been Submitted within Two Months upon Completion of the Event*

“Healthy Songs and Dance for the Elderly” of “Rainbow Star” (Application No.: 180037)

15. The views of 3 Members about the application were summarised as follows:

(a) The Chairman opined that the organisation's explanation for its inability to submit the event report and financial report within two months upon completion of the event by attributing it to heavy workload was unreasonable.

(b) Mr KU Kwai-yiu pointed out that the president of the organisation did not take charge of each and every event held by the organisation, and that two months was not a short period. Therefore, he considered the explanation of the organization unacceptable. He suggested that a warning letter be issued to the organisation.

(c) Mr CHIU Chi-keung deemed the explanation of the organization unreasonable. He suggested that the VC follow the practice of handling similar cases in previous years for this case.

16. The Chairman indicated in his reply that in previous years, the VC endorsed the reimbursement of the expenses of the events organised by organisations that could provide reasonable explanation but issued warning letters accordingly, while the VC endorsed the reimbursement of the expenses of the events organised by organisations that failed to provide reasonable explanation but issued warning letters accordingly and did not consider the funding applications submitted by the organisations concerned in the subsequent year.

17. After discussion, the VC concluded that the organisation concerned had failed to provide reasonable explanation for its inability to submit the event report and all receipts within two months upon completion of the event. Therefore, the VC endorsed the reimbursement of the expenses of the event concerned but would issue a warning letter to the organisation concerned and would not consider the funding

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applications submitted by this organisation for events organised from 17 January 2019 to 16 January 2020. The VC also noted that the organisation concerned submitted a funding application (Application No.: 180460) for discussion at this meeting. The date of the event would be on 10 February 2019.

(v) *A Case where the Organisation Concerned Changed the Venue of the Event without Notifying the District Council and where the Event Report and the Financial Report had Not been Submitted within Two Months upon Completion of the Event*

“Healthy Song and Dance All for You” of “Eastern Residents’ Association” (Application No.: 180039)

18. The Chairman opined that the organisation’s explanation for its inability to submit the event report and financial report within two months upon completion of the event by attributing it to heavy workload was unreasonable. He suggested that the VC should follow the practice of handling the previously-mentioned case to endorse the reimbursement of the expenses of the event concerned but issue a warning letter to the organisation concerned and not consider the funding applications submitted by this organisation for events organised from 17 January 2019 to 16 January 2020. Besides, he said that a reminder letter should be issued in relation to the organisation’s failure to notify the District Council about the change in the venue of the event.

19. After discussion, the VC endorsed reimbursement of the events’ expenses but would issue a reminder letter to the organisation concerned in relation to the organisation’s failure to notify the District Council about the change in the venue of the event. Moreover, as the organisation concerned failed to provide reasonable explanation for its inability to submit the event report and all receipts within two months upon completion of the event, the VC would issue a warning letter to the organisation concerned and would not consider the funding applications submitted by this organisation for events organised from 17 January 2019 to 16 January 2020. The VC also noted that the organisation concerned submitted a funding application (Application No.: 180445) for discussion at this meeting. The date of the event would be on 23 February 2019.

(vi) *A Case where the Organisation Concerned Changed the Name of the Event without Notifying the District Council, where the Position and/or Font Size of “Sponsored by the Eastern District Council” on the Relevant Promotional*

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Materials Failed to Comply with the Relevant Guidelines and where the Relevant Promotional Materials Did Not Bear the Remarks of “Sponsored by the Eastern District Council”

“Yee Tsui Court Mid-autumn Festival Gala” of “The Incorporated Owners of Yee Tsui Court” (Application No.: 180152)

20. After discussion, the VC noted the fact that the organisation concerned had not applied for funding for the promotional materials which were in breach of the Guidelines. Therefore, the VC approved the reimbursement of expenses for the event concerned but would issue a reminder letter to the organisation concerned.

III. Report on Cases Not Meeting the Reimbursement Criteria for the First Time and Approved by Chairman/Vice-chairman with Committee’s Authorisation (VC Paper No. 51/18)

21. The Chairman invited Members to declare their interests.

22. The Chairman said that he and the Vice-chairman had both declared interests about their positions as Honorary Advisors of “Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited”. He invited all Members present (other than the Chairman, Vice-chairman and other Members who had already made the interest declaration) to rule on the declarations of the Chairman and the Vice-chairman. The VC agreed that as the position held by the Chairman and Vice-chairman in the applicant organisation were nominal ones, they could participate in the discussion and decision-making of the funding applications concerned and could continue to chair the meeting.

23. The interests declared by Members were summarised as follows:

| Name of Member | Application No. | Interests in the Relevant Organisations |
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| Mr Frankie LO | 180066 | Honorary Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |
| Mr Dominic WONG | 180066 | Honorary Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |

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| Mr WONG Kin-pan | 180066 | Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |
| Mr CHENG Chi-sing | 180066 | Honorary Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |
| | 180175 | President, Healthy Village Estate Hong Chi Court and Hong Tat Court Mutual Aid Committee * |
| Mr HUNG Lin-cham | 180066 | Honorary Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |
| Mr KU Kwai-yiu | 180066 | Honorary Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |
| Mr KUNG Pak- cheung | 180066 | Honorary Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |
| Mr Joseph LAI | 180066 | Honorary Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |
| Mr LAM Sum-lim | 180066 | Honorary Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |
| Mr NGAN Chun-lim | 180066 | Honorary Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |
| Mr Eddie TING | 180066 | Honorary Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |
| Mr YEUNG Sze-chun | 180066 | Honorary Advisor, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited |

* The Members held substantive positions in the organisations, voluntarily stepped aside from the discussion and did not participate in the voting or decision-making of the relevant applications.

24. The Chairman indicated that Mr CHENG Chi-sing was the president of Healthy Village Estate Hong Chi Court and Hong Tat Court Mutual Aid Committee. As he held a substantive position in the applicant organisation, he had to remain silent during the discussion of the application concerned and could not participate

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in the decision-making or voting of the application concerned. He also voluntarily stepped aside from the meeting. Other Members declared that they held nominal positions in the applicant organisation concerned and could participate in the discussion and decision-making of the application concerned.

25. The Secretary briefed the meeting on Paper No. 51/18.

26. After discussion, the VC noted the report in the matter and approved the reimbursement of expenses for the event “Eastern District ERSAA Cup Table Tennis Competition 2018” of “Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited” (Application No.: 180066) but would issue a reminder letter to the organisation concerned.

IV. Report on the 4th Meeting of Vetting Working Group

(VC Paper No. 52/18)

V. Vetting of Funding Applications Regarding “Arts and Cultural” Projects under the “Eastern District Community Involvement Project Subsidy Scheme

(VC Paper No. 53/18)

27. The Chairman invited Members to declare their interests.

28. The Chairman said that no Members had interests to declare for the paper.

29. Mr Dominic WONG, Chairman of the Working Group, briefed the meeting on Papers No. 52/18 and 53/18.

30. Miss Zoe TANG of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department supplemented that the applicant organisation “Yin Fai Club” had experience in organising activities similar to the one concerned.

31. After discussion, the VC noted the minutes of the 4th Meeting of the Vetting Working Group and approved the funding application of an “Arts and Cultural” project. The total appropriation was \$11,380.

VI. Vetting of Funding Applications Regarding Special Fund for “Community Caring and Integration Activities”

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(VC Paper No. 54/18)

32. The Chairman invited Members to declare their interests.
33. The Chairman said that no Members had interests to declare for the paper.
34. The Secretary supplemented when briefing the meeting on Paper No. 54/18 that the VC was allocated \$400,000 for “Community Caring and Integration Activities” for this year. At the meeting held on 16 October 2018, the VC endorsed the allocation of \$78,747 from the special fund for “Community Care and Involvement Activities” to the special fund for “Arts and Cultural Activities”. Therefore, the current remaining balance of the special fund for “Community Caring and Integration Activities” was \$321,253.
35. After discussion, the VC approved the funding application of a “Community Caring and Integration Activities” project. The total appropriation was \$80,000.

VII. Vetting of Funding Applications Regarding Projects from “Mutual Aid Committees, Owners Committees and Owners’ Corporation” under the “Eastern District Community Involvement Project Subsidy Scheme”

(VC Paper No. 55/18)

36. The Chairman invited Members to declare their interests.
37. The interests declared by Members were summarised as follows:

| Name of Member | Application No. | Interests in the Relevant Organisations |
|-------------------------|------------------------|--|
| Mr CHENG Chi-sing | 180493 - 494 | President, Healthy Village Estate Hong Chi Court and Hong Tat Court Mutual Aid Committee * |
| Ms Elaine CHIK | 180446 | President, Siu Sai Wan Estate Sui Fu House Mutual Aid Committee * |
| Mr HUI Lam-hing | 180485 | Vice-president, Hing Tung Estate Hing Hong House Mutual Aid Committee * |
| | 180486 | Honorary Advisor, Hing Tung Estate Hing Fung House Mutual Aid Committee |

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* The Members held substantive positions in the organisations, remained silent during the discussion and did not participate in the decision-making or voting of the relevant applications.

38. The Chairman said that Ms Elaine CHIK was the president of Siu Sai Wan Estate Sui Fu House Mutual Aid Committee, Mr HUI Lam-hing was the vice-president of Hing Tung Estate Hing Hong House Mutual Aid Committee and Mr CHENG Chi-sing was the president of Healthy Village Estate Hong Chi Court and Hong Tat Court Mutual Aid Committee. As they held substantive positions in the applicant organisations, they had to remain silent during the discussion of the applications concerned and could not participate in the decision-making or voting of the applications concerned. Besides, the Members who declared that they held nominal positions in the applicant organisations concerned could participate in the discussion and decision-making of the application concerned.

39. The Secretary briefed the meeting on Paper No. 55/18.

(i) Late Applications

40. The VC approved a late application (Application No.: 180432).

41. After discussion, the VC endorsed 27 funding applications from “Mutual Aid Committees, Owners Committee and Owners’ Corporation”. The total amount of appropriation was \$193,995.

VIII. Vetting of Funding Applications Regarding Projects from “Designated Organisations” under the “Eastern District Community Involvement Project Subsidy Scheme”

(VC Paper No. 56/18)

42. The Chairman invited Members to declare their interests.

43. The interests declared by Members were summarised as follows:

| Name of Member | Application No. | Interests in the Relevant Organisations |
|-----------------------|------------------------|--|
| Mr Dominic WONG | 180437 | Member, Eastern District Youth Programme Committee |

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| Name of Member | Application No. | Interests in the Relevant Organisations |
|-----------------------|------------------------|--|
| Ms Elaine CHIK | 180421 | Member, Yee Wan Area Committee |
| | 180497 - 498 | Member, Eastern District Fire Safety Committee; Member, Fire Safety Publicity Working Group under Eastern District Fire Safety Committee |
| Mr CHUI Chi-kin | 180421 | Member, Yee Wan Area Committee |
| Mr Stanley HO | 180437 | Member, Eastern District Youth Programme Committee |
| | 180497 - 498 | Member, Eastern District Fire Safety Committee; Member, Fire Safety Publicity Working Group under Eastern District Fire Safety Committee |
| Mr LAM Sum-lim | 180437 | Member, Eastern District Youth Programme Committee |
| | 180472 | Honorary Advisor, Ming Wah Yin Ngai Society |
| | 180497 - 498 | Member, Eastern District Fire Safety Committee; Member, Fire Safety Publicity Working Group under Eastern District Fire Safety Committee |
| Mr Eddie TING | 180474 - 477 | Representative from the Eastern District Council, Eastern District School Liaison Committee |

44. The Chairman said that the positions declared by the Members in the applicant organisation were nominal ones, so the Members could participate in the discussion and decision-making of the cases concerned.

45. The Secretary briefed the meeting on Paper No. 56/18.

(i) Early Applications

46. The VC approved four early applications (Applications No.: 180474 - 180476 and 180497).

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(ii) Late Applications

47. The VC approved a late application (Application No.: 180498).

(iii) Applications for Activities Held Outside Eastern District

48. The VC approved an application for an activity held outside the Eastern District (Application No.: 180472).

49. After discussion, the VC endorsed 9 funding applications from “Designated Organisations”. The total amount of appropriation was \$444,872.04.

IX. Vetting of Funding Applications Regarding Projects from “Other Non-government Organisations” under the “Eastern District Community Involvement Project Subsidy Scheme”

(VC Paper No. 57/18)

50. The Chairman invited Members to declare their interests.

51. The Chairman said that he had declared interests about his position as an Honorary Advisor of “North Point Residents’ Association”. Besides, he said that he and the Vice-chairman had declared interests about their positions as Honorary Advisor and Deputy Director of “Shaukiwan & Chaiwan Residents Fraternal Association” respectively and also about their positions as Honorary Advisor and Advisor of “The Coordination and Promotion of Eastern District Limited” respectively. He invited all Members present (other than the Chairman, Vice-chairman and other Members who had already made the interest declaration) to rule on the declarations of the Chairman and the Vice-chairman. The VC agreed that as the position held by the Chairman and Vice-chairman in the applicant organisations / co-organising organisations were nominal ones, they could participate in the discussion and decision-making of the funding applications concerned and could continue to chair the meeting. However, the Vice-chairman held a substantive position in “Shaukiwan and Chaiwan Residents Fraternal Association” and thus had to remain silent during the discussion of the application concerned and could not participate in the decision-making or voting of the application concerned.

52. The interests declared by Members were summarised as follows:

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| Name of Member | Application No. | Interests in the Relevant Organisations |
|-----------------------|------------------------|--|
| Mr Frankie LO | 180422, 180466 | Honorary Advisor, The Coordination and Promotion of Eastern District Limited |
| | 180433 | Honorary President, North Point Residents' Association |
| | 180468 - 469 | Honorary Advisor, Shaukiwan & Chaiwan Residents Fraternal Association |
| Mr Dominic WONG | 180422, 180466 | Honorary Advisor, The Coordination and Promotion of Eastern District Limited |
| | 180444 | Director, The Fukienese Association Limited * |
| | 180450 | Advisor, Aldrich Bay Residents Association |
| | 180461 | President, Eastern District Culture Association * |
| | 180468 - 469 | Deputy Director, Shaukiwan & Chaiwan Residents Fraternal Association * |
| | 180491 | Advisor, Association for the Promotion of Mutual Assistance of Housewives |
| Mr WONG Kin-pan | 180422, 180466 | Honorary President, The Coordination and Promotion of Eastern District Limited |
| | 180444 | Director, The Fukienese Association Limited * |
| | 180453 | Honorary Advisor, Quarry Bay Buildings Joint Committee |
| | 180468 - 469 | Honorary President, Shaukiwan & Chaiwan Residents Fraternal Association |
| | 180491 | Honorary President, Association for the Promotion of Mutual Assistance of Housewives |
| Mr CHIU Chi-keung | 180481 | Officer, FTU-HK Island East District Service Office |
| Mr CHENG Chi-sing | 180422, 180466 | Vice-chairman, The Coordination and Promotion of Eastern District Limited * |
| | 180433 | Honorary Advisor, North Point Residents' Association |
| | 180454 | Honorary President, Hong Kong Sing Fat Workers & Merchants Association Limited |
| | 180461 | President, Eastern District Culture Association ** |
| | 180462 | Chairman, North Point Community Services |

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| Name of Member | Application No. | Interests in the Relevant Organisations |
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| | | Association ** |
| | 180468 - 469 | Honorary Advisor, Shaukiwan & Chaiwan Residents Fraternal Association |
| Ms Elaine CHIK | 180463 - 465 | President, Ribbon East ** |
| | 180473 | Secretary, Siu Sai Wan Residents' Association * |
| Mr Stanley HO | 180439 - 440 | Honorary Advisor, Cultural and Recreational Services Centre |
| | 180481 | Assistant Officer-in-charge, FTU-HK Island East District Service Office * |
| Mr HUI Lam-hing | 180468 - 469 | Honorary President, Shaukiwan & Chaiwan Residents Fraternal Association |
| | 180481 | Officer, FTU-HK Island East District Service Office |
| | 180488 | Founding President, Hing Tung Community Network |
| Mr HUNG Lin-cham | 180422, 180466 | Vice-chairman, The Coordination and Promotion of Eastern District Limited * |
| | 180433 | Honorary President, North Point Residents' Association |
| | 180439 - 440 | Honorary Advisor, Cultural and Recreational Services Centre |
| | 180444 | Deputy Officer, Rights Committee, The Fukienese Association Limited * |
| Mr LAM Sum-lim | 180450 | Honorary Advisor, Aldrich Bay Residents Association |
| | 180468 - 469 | Deputy Director, Shaukiwan & Chaiwan Residents Fraternal Association * |
| | 180491 | President, Association for the Promotion of Mutual Assistance of Housewives * |
| Mr NGAN Chun-lim | 180450 | Permanent Honorary President, Aldrich Bay Residents Association |
| | 180468 - 469 | Deputy Director, Shaukiwan & Chaiwan Residents Fraternal Association * |
| Mr Eddie TING | 180422, 180466 | Honorary Advisor, The Coordination and Promotion of Eastern District Limited |
| | 180444 | Deputy Officer, The Fukienese Association |

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| | | Limited * |
| | 180453 | Chairman, Quarry Bay Buildings Joint Committee * |
| | 180491 | Honorary Advisor, Association for the Promotion of Mutual Assistance of Housewives |
| Mr YEUNG Sze-chun | 180468 - 469 | Honorary President, Shaukiwan & Chaiwan Residents Fraternal Association |

* The Members held substantive positions in the organisations, remained silent during the discussion and did not participate in the decision-making or voting of the relevant applications.

** The Members were the administrators of the events. They withdrew from the meeting during the discussion of the funding applications concerned.

Note: Except those marked with * and **, all other declarations involved the holding of nominal positions.

53. The Chairman said that Mr Dominic WONG and Mr WONG Kin-pan were both Directors of “The Fukienese Association Limited”, while Mr Eddie TING and Mr HUNG Lin-cham were the Deputy Officer of the organisation concerned and Deputy Officer of Rights Committee under of the organisation concerned respectively. Mr LAM Sum-lim and Mr NGAN Chun-lim were the Deputy Directors of “Shaukiwan & Chaiwan Residents Fraternal Association”. Mr LAM Sum-lim was the President of “Association for the Promotion of Mutual Assistance of Housewives”. Mr Eddie TING was the Chairman of “Quarry Bay Buildings Joint Committee”. Ms Elaine CHIK was the Secretary of “Siu Sai Wan Residents’ Association”. Mr Stanley HO was the Assistant Officer-in-charge of “FTU-HK Island East District Service Office”. Mr HUNG Lin-cham and Mr CHENG Chi-sing were both the Vice-chairmen of “The Coordination and Promotion of Eastern District Limited”. Mr Dominic WONG was the President of “Eastern District Culture Association”. As they held substantive positions in the applicant organisations, they had to remain silent during the discussion of the applications concerned and could not participate in the decision-making or voting of the applications concerned. Besides, Ms Elaine CHIK was the President of “Ribbon East” and also the administrator of the activities in Applications No.180463-180465. Mr CHENG Chi-sing was the President of “Eastern District Culture Association” and also the the administrator of the activity in Application No.180461, as well as the Chairman of “North Point Community Services Association” and also the administrator of the activity in Application No.180462. They would have to withdraw from the meeting during the discussion of the funding applications

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concerned. Meanwhile, the Members who declared that they held nominal positions in the applicant organisations concerned could participate in the discussion and decision-making of the application concerned.

54. The Secretary briefed the meeting on Paper No. 56/18.

(i) *Applications for Activities Held Outside Eastern District*

55. The VC approved six applications for activities held outside the Eastern District (Applications No.: 180415, 180422, 180433, 180461, 180462 and 180464).

(ii) *“Relaxing Gourmet Day Trip for the Elderly” of “Eastern Residents’ Association” (Application No.: 180445)*
“Healthy Songs and Dance for the Elderly” of “Rainbow Star” (Application No.: 180460)

56. The Secretary supplemented that the VC discussed in agenda item II about the inability of “Eastern Residents’ Association” and “Rainbow Star” to submit the event reports and financial reports within two months upon completion of the events “Healthy Songs and Dance All for You” (Application No.: 180039) and “Healthy Songs and Dance for the Elderly” (Application No.: 180037) respectively. The VC agreed not to consider the funding applications submitted by these organisations for events organised from 17 January 2019 to 16 January 2020 as no reasonable explanation had been provided by the organisations. Therefore, the VC did not approve the funding applications in the matter.

57. After discussion, the VC endorsed 41 funding applications from “Other Non-government Organisations”. The total amount of appropriation was \$704,212.

X. Any Other Business

(i) *Timetable for Submission of Funding Applications in Year 2019-2020*

58. The Secretary briefed the meeting on the preliminary timetable for submitting funding applications to the VC in Year 2019-2020.

59. After discussion, the VC approved the timetable and noted that the Secretariat would upload the timetable to the Eastern District Council website and place relevant advertisements in newspapers in order to invite local organisations to

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submit their funding applications in Year 2019-2020.

XI. Date of Next Meeting

60. The meeting ended at 4:00 pm. The 7th Meeting of the VC would be held at 2:30 pm on 27 February 2019 (Wednesday).

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