

**Minutes of the Eighth Meeting of the  
Facilities Management, Culture and Leisure Committee  
under Eastern District Council**

Date: 30 March 2021 (Tuesday)  
Time: 2:30 pm  
Venue: Eastern District Council Conference Room

<b><u>Present</u></b>	<b><u>Time of Arrival</u></b> <b><u>(pm)</u></b>	<b><u>Time of Departure</u></b> <b><u>(pm)</u></b>
Mr WONG Chun-sing, Patrick	2:50	end of meeting
Mr KU Kwai-yiu	2:30	end of meeting
Mr HO Wai-lun	4:20	end of meeting
Mr NG Cheuk-ip	2:35	end of meeting
Mr LEE Yue-shun	2:35	end of meeting
Ms LEE Ching-har, Annie	2:40	5:20
Ms ISHIGAMI LEE Fung-king, Alice	2:30	end of meeting
Mr YUEN Kin-chung, Kenny	2:50	5:20
Mr CHOW Cheuk-ki	3:00	end of meeting
Ms WEI Siu-lik	2:30	end of meeting
Mr CHEUNG Kwok-cheong	4:00	5:30
Mr LEUNG Siu-sun, Patrick	2:38	end of meeting
Mr KWOK Chi-chung	2:30	end of meeting
Mr CHAN Ka-yau, Jason	2:30	end of meeting
Mr CHAN Wing-tai	2:30	end of meeting
Ms CHAN Po-king	2:30	end of meeting
Mr MAK Tak-ching	5:08	end of meeting
Ms FU Kai-lam, Karrine	2:30	end of meeting
Ms TSANG Yan-ying	3:35	end of meeting
Mr TSANG Kin-shing, Bull	2:40	6:30
Mr PUI Chi-lap, James	2:30	end of meeting
Mr CHOI Chi-keung, Peter	2:30	4:30
Mr CHENG Tat-hung	4:45	end of meeting
Ms LAI Tsz-yan (Vice-chairlady)	2:30	end of meeting
Ms TSE Miu-yee	2:30	end of meeting
Mr NGAI Chi-ho, Derek	2:30	end of meeting

### **Absent with Apologies**

Mr CHUI Chi-kin (Chairman)  
Ms WONG Yi, Christine  
Mr LAI Chi-keong, Joseph (absent with consent)

### **In Regular Attendance (Government Representatives)**

Mr CHAN Sheung-man, Simon, JP	District Officer (Eastern), Eastern District Office
Ms NG Yan-mei, Monie	Senior Executive Officer (District Council), Eastern District Office
Mr CHAO Ka-man, Stanley	Senior Liaison Officer (1), Eastern District Office
Ms WONG Sze-man, Queenie	Senior Liaison Officer (2), Eastern District Office
Mr LAU Chi-kan, Kenneth	Senior Executive Officer (District Management), Eastern District Office
Mr LEUNG Kin-tak, Kenneth	Executive Officer (District Management), Eastern District Office
Mr KWAN Chung-wai, David	Chief Leisure Manager (Hong Kong East), Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Ms LEE Pui-ye, Winly	District Leisure Manager (Eastern), Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Mr LEUNG Ka-chun, Tim	Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) Eastern, Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Mr TONG Tung-kit, Terry	Senior Librarian (Eastern), Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Ms LAM Sin-ye, Iris	Senior Manager (Hong Kong East), Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Mr LEE Chun-hung, Roy	Architect (Works)2, Home Affairs Department
Mr PANG Kam-ping	Senior Inspector of Works (Hong Kong), Home Affairs Department
Ms YAM Lai-chun, Cindy	Chief Estate Officer, District Lands Office, Hong Kong East, West and South

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

Miss CHIU Wing-sze, Celia	Manager (Hong Kong East) Marketing, Programme and District Activities, Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Ms CHENG Yuen-yi, Candice	Assistant District Leisure Manager (District Support) Eastern, Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Ms LAU Mei-ling, Tenny

Liaison Officer-in-charge (Community Affairs)2,  
Eastern District Office

Mr Arthur CHENG

Associate, Leigh & Orange Limited

**Secretary**

Ms LEE Ying-tung, Joanna

Executive Officer I (District Council)1, Eastern  
District Office

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**Opening Remarks**

The Vice-chairlady welcomed Members and government representatives to the meeting. She said that as Mr CHUI Chi-kin, Chairman of the Facilities Management, Culture and Leisure Committee (FMCLC), could not attend the present meeting, she would perform the duties of the Chairman including presiding at the present meeting pursuant to Order 35 of the Standing Orders of the Eastern District Council (Standing Orders) being the Vice-chairlady. She reminded Members to declare interests in accordance with Order 48 of the Standing Orders when necessary. She asked Members to declare their interests before discussing any related agenda items and submit the declaration forms to the Secretariat for record purpose and for ruling on the interests declared.

**I. Confirmation of the Draft Minutes of the 6th Meeting of FMCLC**

2. The FMCLC confirmed the above draft minutes without amendment.

**II. Leisure and Cultural Services Department “18dArt - Eastern District Community Arts Scheme”**

(FMCLC Paper No. 8/21)

3. The Vice-chairlady welcomed Ms Iris LAM, Senior Manager (Hong Kong East), and Miss Celia CHIU, Manager (Hong Kong East) Marketing, Programme and District Activities, of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD), to the meeting.

4. The Vice-chairlady asked Members to declare interests.

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5. The Vice-chairlady indicated that no Member had declared interests on the Paper.
6. Ms Iris LAM of the LCSD briefed Members on Paper No. 8/21.
7. The views and enquiries of Members about the agenda item were summarised as follows:
  - (a) Mr Jason CHAN was supportive of the “18dArt - Eastern District Community Arts Scheme” (Arts Scheme) organised by the department. He said that as the Arts Scheme covered music and dance, it was worthy of support since the content was rich, despite the decrease in the number of shows as compared with the past. He also appreciated that the Street Dance Training Classes proposed by the department targeted for different age groups. He opined that the Street Dance Training Classes were likely to attract a large number of applicants and enquired about the selection criteria.
  - (b) Ms WEI Siu-lik was of the view that the content of the Arts Scheme was rich and looked forward to implementation of the activities as scheduled. She enquired about any contingency plan in the wake of an epidemic rebound. Besides, she enquired about the dates and estimated number of participants of the community cultural and arts programmes set out in Annex 2 of the Paper.
  - (c) Mr KU Kwai-yiu remarked that the Arts Scheme was worthy of support as it featured a great variety of programmes for the participation of different age groups. He suggested that ethnic integration be incorporated into the Arts Scheme to cater for the needs of ethnic minorities.
  - (d) Mr LEE Yue-shun welcomed the proposal of the department. The co-organising dance group of “Dance on E” achieved significant success both in Hong Kong and on international stages. The instructors of the group were highly experienced and he looked forward to the activities. He expressed appreciation to the department for holding the Dance Day outdoor to foster interaction with the local community and suggested that the department consider organising street dance shows with similar approach with a view to showcasing and promoting street dance. He hoped that street dance and community arts could be fused under the Arts

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Scheme to unite the community and foster a sense of belonging among residents. Moreover, he suggested that the department identify suitable venues in the district for practising street dance and performances. He also suggested that the department organise more community dance days and street dance shows with a view to reaching out to residents in different areas. Furthermore, he suggested that the department disseminate the information on the Workshops on Experiencing Street Dance via electronic media for those who could not join the workshops be informed of the information. Finally, he asked the department to enhance publicity of the Arts Scheme and popularise street dance.

- (e) Ms Alice ISHIGAMI LEE was of the view that the content of the Arts Scheme was wonderful. She hoped that publicity could be stepped up to attract greater participation.
- (f) Mr James PUI pointed out that a fixed venue was not required for street dance and suggested the department consider allowing closer bond between performers and residents. Besides, he asked if the contractor commissioned by the department would concurrently publicise “Dance on E” and the community cultural arts programmes as the two projects were different in nature. He also enquired if the estimated expenditure on the Arts Scheme included the expenses on commissioning an organisation to organise guided tours in the Eastern District.
- (g) Mr Bull TSANG supported the Arts Scheme. He suggested that the department use performance venues of the Housing Department or hire school halls in the district in addition to general performance venues to facilitate local participation.
- (h) Mr Kenny YUEN supported the Arts Scheme. He asked if the department had included terms and conditions pertaining to cancellation or postponement of the activities due to the epidemic with the organisers to ensure that public money would not be wasted.
- (i) The Vice-chairlady asked the department to promptly report the details of the Arts Scheme to the FMCLC.

8. Ms Iris LAM of the LCSD gave a consolidated reply to Members’ enquiries as follows:

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- (a) The LCSD was still working out the details on the arrangement and preparation with the arts groups. As regards application details and selection criteria of the Street Dance Training Classes, the LCSD would report to Members when more information was available.
- (b) In the event that the epidemic rebounded, the LCSD would arrange or adjust the activities according to the social distancing requirements, limit on the number of participants and anti-epidemic measures at venues in force. Alternatives, such as identifying larger or more suitable venues to maintain adequate social distance, would also be explored. In the event that a programme had to be postponed or cancelled due to the epidemic, the LCSD would reimburse the expenses already incurred to the co-organising arts groups or contractors in accordance with the relevant terms and conditions, and would review and revise the terms and conditions in due course.
- (c) The LCSD would organise 12 free community cultural and arts programmes in 2021-2022. As the arts groups would put on performances in 18 districts in the same period of time, the LCSD would make arrangements contingent on the overall schedules of the “18dART - Community Arts Scheme”. As planning was still underway, dates of the activities had not been fixed. The LCSD would update the FMCLC on the programme details in due course and would write to invite Members’ participation in the activities and assistance in disseminating the information to residents.
- (d) The LCSD would step up publicity of the Arts Scheme to welcome various ethnic communities in the district to partake in the activities. As regards inclusion of cultural elements of ethnic minorities in future activities as suggested by Members, their views would be relayed to the colleagues responsible for programme co-ordination and due consideration would be given when making arrangements for programmes in the future.
- (e) Suggestions to hold dance days, shows and activities at different venues would be relayed to the colleagues responsible for programme co-ordination to identify a wider range of suitable venues for performances. Members’ views were also welcomed.
- (f) As far as publicity was concerned, the LCSD would commission

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professional designers to establish a brand design for the “18dART - Community Arts Scheme”, and would publicise and disseminate information on the programmes via social media platforms and electronic media with a view to raising public awareness and fostering public participation. Members’ suggestion to upload appropriate promos to electronic social media would also be relayed to the colleagues responsible for programme co-ordination.

- (g) The LCSD had commissioned Walk in Hong Kong, a cultural enterprise, to organise two informative and interesting guided tours in the Eastern District with a view to enhancing understanding of the district and boosting a sense of belonging among residents. The expenses would be borne by the LCSD and details were being mapped out. The LCSD would report to the FMCLC about the details of the activities in due course.

9. After discussion, Members noted the Paper and endorsed the Eastern 18dArt Scheme proposed by the LCSD in 2021-22. In addition, the FMCLC endorsed to recommend that the Eastern District Council (EDC) earmark a total of \$700,000 for organising the activities for the year.

(Post-meeting note: The EDC endorsed the funding application by circulation of paper on 12 April 2021.)

### **III. Report on Arts and Cultural Activities Scheduled for 2021-22 in Eastern District; District Free Entertainment Programmes and Other Arts and Cultural Activities Launched in 2020-21 by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department**

(FMCLC Paper No. 9/21)

10. The Vice-chairlady welcomed Ms Iris LAM, Senior Manager (Hong Kong East), and Miss Celia CHIU, Manager (Hong Kong East) Marketing, Programme and District Activities, of the LCSD to the meeting. Ms Iris LAM of the LCSD briefed Members on Paper No. 9/21.

11. The FMCLC noted the Paper.

**IV. Annual Proposal on LCSD's Extension Activities Held in Public Libraries in Eastern District 2021-22**

(FMCLC Paper No. 10/21)

12. The Vice-chairlady welcomed Mr Terry TONG, Senior Librarian (Eastern) of the LCSD to the meeting. Mr Terry TONG of the LCSD briefed Members on Paper No. 10/21.

13. The views and enquiries of Members about the agenda item were summarised as follows:

- (a) Mr Jason CHAN asked if the department would introduce or display the past publications of the EDC in the promotion activities in the coming year.
- (b) Ms WEI Siu-lik asked if the existing mobile libraries would be replaced by the Library-on-Wheels converted from small trucks. She would like the department to explain the difference between them. She also enquired of the department about the number of titles and utilisation rate of e-book collections.
- (c) Mr KU Wai-yiu indicated that mobile libraries reached out to the community and were well received by residents. He suggested that the department consider using mobile libraries to promote the programmes for the next year.
- (d) Mr Kenny YUEN enquired about the number of titles and copies of e-books and printed books. He said e-books had become a new reading trend in recent years and urged the department to promote e-book lending services.
- (e) Ms Annie LEE asked the department about the criteria for book donations and acquisition of library materials.
- (f) Mr CHAN Wing-tai would like the department to inform the FMCLC of the service locations and schedule of the Library-on-Wheels in the Eastern District.

14. Mr Terry TONG of the LCSD responded to the views and enquiries of Members as follows:

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- (a) In light of the temporary closure of public libraries in the previous year in the wake of the epidemic, the LCSD had revised the borrowing period and borrowing limit. A large number of e-book titles had also been acquired to facilitate members of the public to continue reading library items during the epidemic.
- (b) The Library-on-Wheels would not replace the existing mobile library services. While mobile libraries served areas far away from existing libraries as the complement to district libraries and improved library network in the district, Library-on-Wheels, which were converted from small trucks, visited various areas to promote themed activities. The Library-on-Wheels provided self-charging terminals to promote library self-charging service and held a variety of activities to promote reading for all in addition to a selection of themed books for borrow. The LCSD would provide Members with detailed information on the service locations and schedules of the Library-on-Wheels in the Eastern District once the information was available.
- (c) The LCSD welcomed donation of books and publications from the EDC and various sectors and would handle the donated items according to the donation policy and procedures. Generally speaking, the LCSD did not accept damaged books or books with copyright issues. Furthermore, library collections should be in compliance with the laws of Hong Kong.

15. After discussion, the FMCLC endorsed the free extension activities held in public libraries in the Eastern District in 2021-22 and endorsed to recommend that the EDC earmark a total of \$114,432 for organising the activities for the year. The estimated expenditure of approximately \$7,392 for activities to be held by public libraries in the Eastern District in March 2022 would be paid in 2022-23.

(Post-meeting note: The EDC endorsed the funding application by circulation of paper on 12 April 2021. In addition, as regards Members' enquiries about the number of e-book titles and copies of printed books, the Hong Kong Public Libraries had acquired or subscribed to e-book collections with 378 135 items and there were 13.3 million items of books and other printed materials as at 31 December 2020.)

**V. Report by LCSD on Extension Activities and Usage of Public Libraries from October 2020 to February 2021 and Extension Activities Program Plan from April to June 2021 in Eastern District**

(FMCLC Paper No. 11/21)

16. The Vice-chairlady welcomed Mr Terry TONG, Senior Librarian (Eastern) of the LCSD to the meeting. Mr Terry TONG of the LCSD briefed Members on Paper No. 11/21.

17. The FMCLC noted the Paper.

**VI. The LCSD's Recreation and Sports Programmes for May 2021 to March 2022 in the Eastern District**

(FMCLC Paper No. 12/21)

18. The interest declared by a Member was as follows:

<b>Name of Member</b>	<b>Relationships with Relevant Organisations</b>
Mr KU Kwai-yiu	Honorary Adviser, Eastern District Recreation and Sports Advancement Association Limited

19. The Vice-chairlady indicated that as Mr KU Kwai-yiu was associated with the applicant organisation in a nominal capacity, he could take part in the discussion and voting of the funding application.

20. The Vice-chairlady welcomed Mr David KWAN, Chief Leisure Manager (Hong Kong East), Ms Winly LEE, District Leisure Manager (Eastern), Mr Tim LEUNG, Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) Eastern, and Ms Candice CHENG, Assistant District Leisure Manager (District Support) Eastern, of the LCSD to the meeting. Mr Tim LEUNG of the LCSD briefed Members on Paper No. 12/21.

21. After discussion, the FMCLC endorsed the LCSD's recreation and sports programme for 2021-22 and endorsed to recommend that the EDC allocate a total of \$6,423,007 for organising the activities for the year. The FMCLC also noted that the total expenditure of \$164,850 for activities to be held in March 2022 would be paid in 2022-23.

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<b>Description of Activity</b>	<b>Amount of Allocation</b>
Recreational and sports activities held in major venues and other venues in Siu Sai Wan and Chai Wan	\$1,734,078
Recreational and sports activities held in sports centres and other venues in North Point, Quarry Bay and Shau Kei Wan	\$2,048,436
Recreational and sports activities held in sports centres in North Point, Quarry Bay and Shau Kei Wan	\$654,119
Recreational and sports activities held in parks and playgrounds	\$945,311
Recreational and sports activities held in major parks	\$1,041,063

(Post-meeting note: The EDC endorsed the funding applications by circulation of paper on 12 April 2021.)

### **VII. Report on Leisure and Cultural Services Department's Recreational and Sports Activities and Facilities Management in the Eastern District** (FMCLC Paper No. 13/21)

22. The Vice-chairlady welcomed Mr David KWAN, Chief Leisure Manager (Hong Kong East), Ms Winly LEE, District Leisure Manager (Eastern), Mr Tim LEUNG, Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) Eastern, and Ms Candice CHENG, Assistant District Leisure Manager (District Support) Eastern, of the LCSD to the meeting. Mr Tim LEUNG of the LCSD briefed Members on Paper No. 13/21.

23. The views and enquiries of Members about the agenda item were summarised as follows:

- (a) Mr KU Kwai-yiu asked if the water dispenser in the pavilion at Siu Sai Wan Road Garden was included in "Replacement of New Water Dispensers in Sports Centres, Swimming Pools and Parks in Eastern District". He also enquired if the enhancement of benches at Chai Wan Park was included in "Enhancement of Benches at Parks and Playgrounds in Eastern District".
- (b) Mr CHAN Wing-tai enquired of the department about the schedule for

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replanting at the roadside of Siu Sai Wan Road.

- (c) Mr James PUI asked the department if other playground equipment would be provided after the pet facilities in Man Hong Street Playground were removed. Besides, he said recently a tree had collapsed near Pak Fuk Road Safety Town. He urged the department to step up efforts to monitor the growth of trees and safeguard public safety.
- (d) Ms Annie LEE enquired about the anticipated completion date of the Improvement Works at Mount Parker Road Sitting-out Area.
- (e) Mr Kenny YUEN opined that the trees in Choi Sai Woo Park at Braemar Hill Road were particularly huge with heavy branches and leaves and the broken branches might endanger passers-by when they fell. He suggested that the department give due considerations to the planting of suitable tree species. In addition, he remarked on the poor conditions of the plants in the planters at Tin Hau Temple Road and asked the department to take follow-up actions.

24. Mr Tim LEUNG of the LCSD responded to the views and enquiries of Members as follows:

- (a) The enhancement of benches at Chai Wan Park had been completed.
- (b) As the replacement of the water dispenser in the pavilion at Siu Sai Wai Road Garden was not a district minor works project, thus it was not included in “Replacement of New Water Dispensers in Sports Centres, Swimming Pools and Parks in the Eastern District”.
- (c) In view of the obstruction to the pavement of Siu Sai Wan Road by the horizontal growth of plants in the roadside flower bed, the LCSD would arrange a horticultural contractor to prune the plants in the flower bed on a regular basis.
- (d) The LCSD would remove the temporary pet facilities in Man Hong Street Playground and arrange with the works department to refurbish some facilities and replace the damaged benches in the playground.
- (e) The Improvement Works at Mount Parker Road Sitting-out Area was expected to be completed by April in the current year due to delay in

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delivery of materials.

- (f) The LCSD would carry out annual risk assessments for trees in its venues and would implement appropriate tree risk mitigation measures to safeguard public safety.
- (g) The LCSD would follow up with the Member concerned on the issue of trees near Choi Sai Woo Park and the growth of plants in the planters along Tin Hau Temple Road.

25. The FMCLC noted the Report.

### **VIII. District Minor Works (DMW) Projects Recommended by Eastern District Office-**

- 1. Horticultural Maintenance for Eastern District Council Outdoor Facilities in 2021-2022**  
(FMCLC Paper No. 14/21)
- 2. Pre-approved Funding for Miscellaneous Improvement, Refurbishment and Emergency Works for Eastern District Council Outdoor Facilities in 2021-2022**  
(FMCLC Paper No. 15/21)
- 3. Desilting and Grass-cutting for Eastern District Council Outdoor Facilities in 2021-2022**  
(FMCLC Paper No. 16/21)
- 4. Pre-approved Funding for Feasibility Study of Proposals Admitted to the District Minor Works Programme in Eastern District in 2021-2022**  
(FMCLC Paper No. 17/21)

26. The Vice-chairlady welcomed Mr Kenneth LAU, Senior Executive Officer (District Management), and Mr Kenneth LEUNG, Executive Officer (District Management), of the Eastern District Office (EDO) to the meeting. Mr Kenneth LEUNG briefed Members on Papers No. 14/21 to 17/21.

27. The views and enquiries of Members about the agenda items were summarised as follows:

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### *Horticultural Maintenance for Eastern District Council Outdoor Facilities in 2021-2022*

- (a) Mr Jason CHAN indicated that the planters underneath the footbridge at Fuk Yuen Street in North Point were not exposed to sufficient sunlight and the plants there usually withered easily. He asked the department to follow up on the horticultural maintenance of the plants there.
- (b) Mr Patrick WONG indicated that members of the public often disposed of cigarette butts or rubbish in hanging flower pots. He suggested that the department consider if the hanging flower pots should continue to be provided.
- (c) Mr KU Kwai-yiu said that after the removal of some of the roadside flower pots from Tsui Wan Street in Chai Wan, motorcycles were illegally parked there. He enquired about the schedule for the reprovision of flower pots. Furthermore, he said the planters next to Honour Industrial Centre at 6 Sun Yip Street in Chai Wan had been vacant for a long time and asked the department to take follow-up actions.
- (d) Mr LEE Yue-shun said there were people disposing of rubbish or even urinating in flower pots. He asked the department to consider improving the design of flower pots to mitigate the problems.

### *Pre-approved Funding for Miscellaneous Improvement, Refurbishment and Emergency Works for Eastern District Council Outdoor Facilities in 2021-2022*

- (e) Mr CHOW Cheuk-ki said the department had indicated that back panels would be reinstalled for the rain shelter off Yiu Wah House, Yiu Tung Estate in Shau Kei Wan. However, the Paper indicated that the works were still under planning. He enquired about the works progress.
- (f) Mr KU Kwai-yiu enquired about the latest expected completion date for the improvement works for the rain shelters at Shing Tai Road, Chai Wan. Besides, he enquired about the works progress of the staircases connecting Cape Collinson Road and Caritas Chai Wan Marden Foundation Secondary School in Chai Wan.

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### *Desilting and Grass-cutting for Eastern District Council Outdoor Facilities in 2021-2022*

- (g) Mr Patrick WONG asked if the same contractor would be responsible for drain desilting and grass cutting. He suggested that the department engage the same contractor with a view to reducing cost and fostering synergy as some drains requiring desilting were located at sites where regular grass cutting was also required.
- (h) Mr CHAN Wing-tai indicated that Members would like to be informed of the works progress in their constituencies and asked the department to maintain closer contacts with Members. In addition, he said some members of the public had upset the natural ecology of the hillside areas in Chai Wan, posing impacts on the inhabiting wild pigs and consequently causing wild pigs to forage into urban areas for food. He asked the department to take follow-up actions.
- (i) Mr Bull TSANG suggested that the department consider taking video recording of the daily horticultural maintenance, cleaning or refurbishment of EDC facilities and submitting the video clips to the District Council (DC) members of the constituencies concerned to enable them to disseminating the information on the daily duties of the department to residents.
- (j) Mr LEE Yue-shun enquired about the works progress of the sitting-out area opposite Block D of Metropole Building in North Point. He said the works aimed at facilitating journeys of local elderly and asked the department to promptly follow up on the works.

28. Mr Kenneth LEUNG of the EDO responded to the views and enquiries of Members as follows:

### *Horticultural Maintenance for Eastern District Council Outdoor Facilities in 2021-2022*

- (a) The EDO would monitor the growth of plants in the planters underneath the footbridge at Fuk Yuen Street, North Point after the meeting and explore the feasibility of replacing the plants at the location with more suitable species.

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- (b) As regards the rain shelter off Yiu Wah House, Yiu Tung Estate in Shau Kei Wan, the EDO had reserved funding for replacement of back panels in 2021-22 and would promptly commence the works after discussing the design with the Member of the constituency. It was estimated that the works would commence within one month if everything went smooth.
- (c) Generally speaking, the project proponent would be advised to consider providing planters instead of hanging pots to allow more growing space for plant roots and improve their health when the EDO followed up on a greening works proposal. However, as many pavements in the Eastern District were narrow with underground utilities, the provision of planters might be technically infeasible. Therefore, the EDO had settled for the provision of hanging pots when following up on the greening works proposals in earlier years.
- (d) There were only two remaining locations in the Eastern District provided with hanging pots (i.e. roadside of Greig Road in Quarry Bay and area off Heng Fa Chuen Block 19, Shing Tai Road, Chai Wan) managed by the EDO. Going forward, the EDO would make reference to the local environment and consider using floor pots or larger pots instead of hanging pots if planters could not be provided, so that more favourable environment could be created for the plants.
- (e) The EDO had removed the collapsed trees and trees with collapse potential in the planters next to Honour Industrial Centre at 6 Sun Yip Street, Chai Wan after Typhoon Hato hit Hong Kong in 2017. As the location was prone to strong wind, tree replanting might give rise to safety hazards. Nevertheless, the EDO would consider replanting with bushes or other ground-cover plants in the future with reference to the views of the Member of the constituency.
- (f) There were still 15 outdoor flower pots maintained by the EDC at Tsui Wan Street in Chai Wan. The EDO would promptly provide replacement pots and report the progress to the Member of the constituency in a timely manner.

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### *Pre-approved Funding for Miscellaneous Improvement, Refurbishment and Emergency Works for Eastern District Council Outdoor Facilities in 2021-2022*

- (g) The improvement works for the rain shelters at Shing Tai Road in Chai Wan was in good progress. The works was expected to complete by mid-April 2021 if everything went smooth.
- (h) As regards the works of the staircases connecting Cape Collinson Road and Caritas Chai Wan Marden Foundation Secondary School in Chai Wan, the EDO would solicit the views of the Member of the constituency at a later time. As there would be a large number of grave sweepers using the road section during Ching Ming Festival and Chung Yeung Festival, the EDO would arrange for the works to be carried out from May to October 2021.

### *Desilting and Grass-cutting for Eastern District Council Outdoor facilities in 2021-2022*

- (i) The EDO would invite for tender for desilting and grass-cutting for 2021-2022 under a single contract. As such, the works would be undertaken by the same contractor.
  - (j) The EDO would relay to the relevant departments about the unauthorised excavation and refuse problem at Leaping Dragon Walk.
  - (k) The EDO would stay in close contact with Members and report to them the latest progress of the DMW projects.
  - (l) As regards the works progress of the sitting-out area opposite Block D of Metropole Building in North Point, the EDO was making arrangements for the commissioning of a registered surveyor to clarify the boundary to facilitate preparation of the works design in the future. Moreover, the EDO would remove the damaged pots at the above location in April 2021 to vacant space for pedestrians to take rests when using the ramp.
29. The Vice-chairlady concluded by asking the EDO to note Members' views, stay in close contact with Members and report to Members the latest progress in a timely manner.

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30. After discussion, the FMCLC endorsed the proposed four projects and endorsed to recommend that the EDC allocate a total of \$3,295,000 under the DMW programme for works implementation.

(Post-meeting note: The EDC endorsed the funding applications by circulation of paper on 12 April 2021.)

### **IX. Provision of Community Garden in Heng Fa Chuen**

(FMCLC Paper No. 18/21)

31. The Vice-chairlady welcomed Mr David KWAN, Chief Leisure Manager (Hong Kong East), Ms Winly LEE, District Leisure Manager (Eastern), Mr Tim LEUNG, Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) Eastern, and Ms Candice CHENG, Assistant District Leisure Manager (District Support) Eastern, of the LCSD and Ms Cindy YAM, Chief Estate Officer (District Lands Office/Hong Kong East, West and South) of the Lands Department (LandsD) to the meeting.

32. The Vice-chairlady said as Ms Christine WONG, the proposer of the Paper, could not attend the meeting, another Member was asked to brief Members on the Paper on her behalf. Ms WEI Siu-lik briefed Members on Paper No. 18/21. Mr Tim LEUNG of the LCSD and Ms Cindy YAM of the LandsD responded to the Paper.

33. The views and enquiries of Members about the agenda item were summarised as follows:

- (a) Mr Patrick WONG enquired of the department about the reason for the inappropriateness of the Roadside Amenity Area next to the public transport interchange at Shing Tai Road, Heng Fa Chuen for use as community garden. He also asked the department if there was any plan to develop more community gardens in the Eastern District in addition to the one currently under development in Quarry Bay Park.
- (b) Ms WEI Siu-lik enquired of the department about the selection criteria for the location of community garden and the utilisation of the community garden at Wai Tsui Crescent for the last three years. She speculated that by proposing to provide a permanent covered studio at the site, Ms Christine WONG intended to rent the studio as her ward

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office. She asked about the feasibility of the proposal.

- (c) Mr CHAN Wing-tai enquired about the application procedures for using a compliant container as a ward office. He said there was a bus regulator kiosk looking similar to a security guard booth at the site. He would therefore not accept the refusal to use a container as a ward office at the site due to safety concern. He said Ms Christine WONG had sought assistance from various departments on several occasions and had endeavoured to identify a place for use as a ward office in her constituency for over one year but to no avail. He opined that the Government should be responsible for offering assistance to the Member in identifying venues for setting up a ward office.
- (d) Mr KU Kwai-yiu enquired about the justification for allowing the bus company to set up the bus regulator kiosk near the site. He asked if a Member could apply for setting up a container ward office at the site. Besides, he also asked if it was technically infeasible to provide a community garden at the site.
- (e) Mr Bull TSANG asked the department to explain if a container could be placed at the location as ward office. He did not accept the refusal to use a container as ward office at the site due to safety concern.
- (f) Ms Annie LEE indicated her support for providing more community gardens to meet local demand. However, she opined that proper planning should be made to ensure that appropriate ancillary facilities were available for newly developed community gardens.
- (g) Mr CHENG Tat-hung asked the department to carry out landscaping works for the site.

34. Mr Tim LEUNG of the LCSD, Ms Cindy YAM of the LandsD and District Officer (Eastern) (DO(E)) of the EDO responded to the views and enquiries of Members as follows:

### LCSD

- (a) The LCSD took into account a number of factors in considering the provision of community garden, including abundance of sunlight, proper drainage system and adequate size of the site to accommodate ancillary

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facilities such as soil depot and storage room. As the community garden programme was carried out in the form of “gardening course”, sufficient space was required for the classes and storage of materials and tools. As such, the site was not suitable for use as a community garden owing to its limited space.

- (b) The community garden in Quarry Bay Park was expected to complete in the second quarter of 2021. The LCSD did not have any plan to provide more community gardens in the Eastern District for the time being.
- (c) The LCSD organised three gardening courses in the community garden at Wai Tsui Crescent annually. The number of participants of each course was 55 and each participant could bring along four friends or relatives to attend the course.
- (d) The LCSD would allocate more resources to beautify the flower beds at the site.

## LandsD

- (e) The site was a piece of government land. The planters and the adjacent public pavement at the site were maintained by the HyD while the plants in the planters were planted and maintained by the LCSD.
- (f) In the event that the proposed community garden at the site was implemented, the proponent department could apply to the District Lands Office, Hong Kong East (DLO) for land allocation. The DLO would process the application in accordance with the established procedures. Under the premise of not affecting public facilities, non-government organisations (NGO) could also consider making an application to the LandsD for using designated sites for non-profit making purpose on a short-term basis.

## EDO

- (g) The EDO had been vigorously assisting Ms Christine WONG in identifying suitable premises for setting up her ward office in her constituency, and had conducted site visits in various locations in Heng Fa Chuen together with Ms Christine WONG and representatives of Heng Fa Chuen Owners’ Committee in the beginning of the year. As

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certain areas of the proposed premises for rent might involve legal and technical issues, the EDO had been discussing with Ms Christine WONG and other stakeholders and would continue to stay in close contact with Ms Christine WONG in respect of the matter.

LCSD,  
LandsD, EDO

35. After discussion, the FMCLC agreed to include the item in the matters arising.

### **X. Request for Service Enhancement of Mobile Libraries in the Eastern District**

(FMCLC Paper No. 19/21)

36. The Vice-chairlady welcomed Mr Terry TONG, Senior Librarian (Eastern) of the LCSD to the meeting. Ms TSE Miu-yee briefed Members on Paper No. 19/21. Mr Terry Tong of the LCSD responded to the Paper.

37. The views and enquiries of Members about the agenda item were summarised as follows:

- (a) Mr Bull TSANG opined that the Government should accord priority to issues pertaining to livelihood in allocation of resources. Besides, he said as Hong Kong Island was a mountainous terrain, he suggested that the department purchase vans which could be parked on ramps for use as mobile libraries. He also suggested that the department seek advice from the TD in determining the locations of mobile library service stops.
- (b) Ms TSE Miu-yee said residents of Shan Tsui Court and Hing Man Estate had an enormous demand for library services. However, as the area was not easily accessible and far away from Chai Wan Public Library, she asked the department to allocate more resources to provide mobile library to serve residents of the area.
- (c) Mr CHENG Tat-hung enquired about the total number of mobile libraries serving the Eastern District. He said as library services helped to cultivate reading habit among grassroot children, he asked if some of the service sessions of mobile library stops in the Eastern District could be reallocated to Shan Tsui Court and Hing Man Estate to meet local demand.

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38. Mr Terry TONG of the LCSD responded to the views and enquiries of Members as follows:

- (a) There were currently 12 mobile libraries providing services at various mobile library stops in the territory, among which two of them served four locations in the Eastern District and other districts. Due to the tight schedule of the mobile libraries, no existing resources could be deployed to serve additional mobile library stops. As such, any proposal of additional mobile library stops would entail the reduction of service hours at other stops in the district.
- (b) When determining the mobile library stop locations, the LCSD would take into account whether there would be any obstruction to emergency vehicular access and daily traffic. Boarding and alighting safety had to be considered also. The LCSD would consult various stakeholders in the selection of location.
- (c) The LCSD noted Members' suggestions and would take them into account when mobile library services were reviewed or additional resources were available in the future.

39. The Vice-chairlady concluded by asking the department to consider allocating more resources to provide additional mobile libraries.

LCSD

40. After discussion, the FMCLC agreed to include the item in the matters arising.

## **XI. Request for Venue Provision for Skateboarding and Extreme Sports in the Eastern District**

(FMCLC Paper No. 20/21)

41. The Vice-chairlady welcomed Mr David KWAN, Chief Leisure Manager (Hong Kong East), Ms Winly LEE, District Leisure Manager (Eastern), Mr Tim LEUNG, Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) Eastern, and Ms Candice CHENG, Assistant District Leisure Manager (District Support) Eastern, of the LCSD to the meeting. Ms WEI Siu-lik briefed Members on Paper No. 20/21. Mr Tim LEUNG of the LCSD responded to the Paper.

42. The views and enquiries of Members about the agenda item were summarised as follows:

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- (a) Ms Alice ISHIGAMI LEE said as the Eastern District lacked suitable skateboard grounds for public use, people were found playing skateboards in Siu Sai Wan Promenade and causing noise nuisance. She urged the department to provide suitable recreational and sports facilities in the Eastern District to meet local demand.
- (b) Mr LEE Yue-shun said venues for the development of new sports in addition to skateboarding should be provided in Hong Kong. He asked the department to make reference to overseas experiences and provide facilities such as steel racks, rope courses and climbing frames for people to practise parkour, outdoor fitness exercise and other similar new sports.
- (c) Mr KU Kwai-yiu indicated that more and more children went skateboarding in recent years. He suggested that the department designate areas in existing sports and recreational venues for skateboarding and provide more skateboarding grounds meeting international standards in the long run.
- (d) Mr Patrick WONG said people always went skateboarding in the open space off the Hong Kong Film Archive in Sai Wan Ho, causing nuisance to nearby residents. He was opposed to employing tough administrative measures to prohibit the use of public space and suggested that the department identify suitable sites for providing skateboard grounds so that inappropriate use of venues by skateboarders could be reduced.
- (e) Ms WEI Siu-lik said the facilities and ancillary facilities at the skatepark in Po Kong Village Road Park were more comprehensive and apparently with more users than the skateboard ground in Chai Wan Pool-side Garden. She asked if the department had compiled statistics on the utilisation of the skateboard ground in Chai Wan Pool-side Garden. She remarked that the Paper aimed not to urge the department to prohibit skateboarding at the open space off the Hong Kong Film Archive but to highlight that the skateboarding activities at the location demonstrated the demand for standard skateboard ground. It was hoped that more skateboard grounds could be provided in the Eastern District.
- (f) Mr CHOW Cheuk-ki indicated that according to the webpage of the department, there were a total of five skateparks in Hong Kong but none

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of them was situated on Hong Kong Island. He suggested that the department consider developing the facility in the proposed sports centre near Tung Hei Road in Shau Kei Wan (i.e. adjacent to Aldrich Garden). He also urged the Government to review its sports policy and promote extreme sports by organising training courses. He said an extreme sports ground meeting international standards could help attract international competitions to Hong Kong and promote the sports through major events, coupled with training courses and public education, public understanding of extreme sports would be enhanced and negative perception towards such sports would be mitigated.

- (g) Mr Bull TSANG said that skateboard grounds were only available in Chai Wan and Morrison Hill on Hong Kong Island. He remarked that the skateboard ground in Morrison Hill was in operation for over 30 years and suggested renovating the facilities. He also suggested that the department make reference to overseas experiences and convert an existing venue into a temporary skateboard ground by transporting components to the venue by trucks for on-the-spot installation, so that there were more venues for skateboarding.
- (h) Mr MAK Tak-ching suggested that the department consult various sports groups and provide facilities for new sports in the proposed sports centre next to Tung Hei Road, Shau Kei Wan. He said a non-profit making organisation had provided facilities for climbing and skateboarding at Holy Cross Path in Sai Wan Ho. He suggested that the department make reference to the arrangement and consider providing indoor skateboard ground in addition to outdoor skateboard ground. He opined that the public might have a negative perception of the sport if the department invited social workers to reach young skateboarders at public places.
- (i) Mr CHAN Wing-tai agreed with the proposed provision of venues for skateboarding and extreme sports in the Eastern District. He said the swimming pool near Chai Wan Pool-side Garden was frequented by swimmers during swimming season, demonstrating that the skateboard ground at the location was not inconvenient. He suggested stepping up publicity to encourage the public to use the skateboard ground. According to his knowledge, Chai Wan Pool-side Garden was closed at 10:00 pm and skateboarders could not therefore use the venue during late night hours.

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43. Mr Tim LEUNG of the LCSD responded to the views and enquiries of Members as follows:

- (a) The LCSD would follow up on the noise problem in Siu Sai Wan Promenade.
- (b) The LCSD would consider providing more novel outdoor fitness equipment when renovating the facilities of the parks and playgrounds to cater for the public need.
- (c) The LCSD noted Members' suggestions on the provision of venues for skateboarding and extreme sports in the district and reference would be made during the planning and development of new sports and recreation facilities in the future.
- (d) There was no on-site staff in Chai Wan Pool-side Garden. According to daily venue inspection by venue staff, there were about a dozen of users in the morning and from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm on weekdays on average and usually 10 to 20 users during weekends.
- (e) The LCSD would continue to promote "Sport for All" and organise an array of sports and recreational activities for people of different age groups and abilities to participate. The Hong Kong Games was also held biennially to enhance the level of sport activities in the district and foster a sense of belonging among residents.
- (f) The LCSD would consider Members' suggestions to promote novel sports during carnivals.
- (g) The LCSD would continue to co-operate with the sports organisations concerned to hold skateboarding training courses at the skateboard ground in Chai Wan Pool-side Garden with a view to promoting the sport and enhancing the utilisation rate of the venue.

44. The Vice-chairlady asked Ms WEI Siu-lik to speak on the motion.

45. Ms WEI Siu-lik spoke on the motion as follows:

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*“Motion*

Urging the authority to develop a skateboard ground and extreme sports ground meeting international standards in the public open spaces to be developed in the Eastern District.

Mover: Ms WEI Siu-lik

Seconder: Mr Patrick WONG, Mr LEE Yue-shun”

46. After discussion and voting, the motion was passed with 19 votes in favour, no against and 1 abstention.

LCSD

47. After discussion, the FMCLC agreed to include the item in the matters arising.

(Post-meeting note: The Secretariat passed the above motion to the LCSD on 31 March 2021.)

**XII. The Financial and Progress Reports on District Minor Works Projects of Eastern District for the Financial Year of 2020-21**

(FMCLC Paper No. 21/21)

48. The Vice-chairlady welcomed Mr Roy LEE, Architect (Works)<sup>2</sup>, and Mr PANG Kam-ping, Senior Inspector of Works (Hong Kong), of the Home Affairs Department (HAD), Mr Tim LEUNG, Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) Eastern of the LCSD, Mr Kenneth LAU, Senior Executive Officer (District Management), Mr Kenneth LEUNG, Executive Officer (District Management), and Ms Tenny LAU, Liaison Officer-in-charge (Community Affairs)<sup>2</sup>, of the EDO, and Mr Arthur CHENG, Associate of Leigh & Orange Limited, the HAD’s term consultant, to the meeting.

49. The views and enquiries of Members about the agenda items were summarised as follows:

*“Improvement Programme at Streets near Kai Yuen Terrace”*

(a) Mr CHENG Tat-hung enquired about the works progress.

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“Installation of Rain Shelter with Seats at the Junction of Nam On Street and Nam On Lane, Shau Kei Wan, Eastern District” (E-DMW372)

- (b) Mr HO Wai-lun said the FMCLC had decided at a previous meeting that the works should be cancelled. He enquired about the reason for “outstanding payment” for the project.

“Construction of a Sitting-Out Area adjacent to Heng Fa Chuen Block 30” (E-DMW082)

“Construction of Pet Garden at Sheung On Street, Chai Wan” (E-DMW227)

- (c) Mr Patrick WONG enquired about the reason that payment was not required for the two projects after 2021-22.
- (d) Mr KU Kwai-yiu enquired about the reason for estimating that there would be remaining funds for the two projects. He also enquired about the Defects Liability Period of Sheung On Street Pet Garden.

50. Mr Tim LEUNG of the LCSD, Mr Kenneth LEUNG of the EDO and Mr Roy LEE of the HAD responded to the comments and enquiries of Members as follows:

EDO

“Improvement Programme at Streets near Kai Yuen Terrace”

- (a) The EDO would discuss with the Member of the constituency about the works design and submit a funding application to the FMCLC in due course.

“Installation of Rain Shelter with Seats at the Junction of Nam On Street and Nam On Lane, Shai Kei Wan, Eastern District” (E-DMW372)

- (b) The works (together with other projects marked by dots in Annex 2 of the Paper) had been cancelled in accordance with the decision of the FMCLC at the previous meeting. The item “Outstanding payment” shown in the Paper was the fund reserved for implementation of the works in future in the beginning of the financial year 2020-21 (i.e. prior to decision to cancel the project made by the FMCLC). As the works had been cancelled, the fund reserved would not be used and would be returned to Central Reserve.

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“Construction of a Sitting-Out Area adjacent to Heng Fa Chuen Block 30”  
(E-DMW082)

“Construction of Pet Garden at Sheung On Street, Chai Wan” (E-DMW227)

- (c) The works had been completed without further payment. The remaining fund would be returned to Central Reserve. As the Defects Liability Period of the works had expired, the LCSD was currently responsible for the daily management and maintenance of the sitting-out area and the pet garden.

LCSD, EDO,  
HAD

51. After discussion, the FMCLC noted the financial and progress report and endorsed that funds would continue to be allocated for the financial year 2021-22 to pay for the minor works projects in the Paper which had been approved but not yet completed.

### **XIII. Progress Report of Items Arising from Previous Meetings**

(FMCLC Paper No. 22/21)

52. The Vice-chairlady welcomed Ms Queenie WONG, Senior Liaison Officer (2), and Ms Tenny LAU, Liaison Officer-in-charge (Community Affairs)2, of the EDO, Mr David KWAN, Chief Leisure Manager (Hong Kong East), Ms Winly LEE, District Leisure Manager (Eastern), Mr Tim LEUNG, Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) Eastern, Ms Candice CHENG, Assistant District Leisure Manager (District Support) Eastern, and Mr Terry TONG, Senior Librarian (Eastern), of the LCSD to the meeting.

- (i) ***“Concern over the Animal Rights of Turtles and Fish in the Pond in Chai Wan Park and the Problems Arising from it”***

53. Members noted the written replies from the LCSD and the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department (AFCD).

54. The views and enquiries of Members about the agenda item were summarised as follows:

- (a) Mr Bull TSANG asked about the number of turtles and fish adopted since

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the last pond cleaning. Besides, he asked the LCSD to notify the Member of the constituency and the AFCD of the next pond cleaning for their inspection.

- (b) Mr KU Kwai-yiu praised the LCSD for the provision of fences at the side of the pond to prevent children from falling into the pond while they were playing. He noticed that works were being carried out at the model boat pool and enquired about the details and expected completion date of the works.

55. Mr Tim LEUNG of the LCSD responded to the views and enquiries of Members as follows:

- (a) The LCSD had arranged cleansing of water features in the park on 1 December 2020. The Hong Kong Society of Herpetology Foundation had arranged for adoption of 13 turtles on that day at the LCSD's invitation.
- (b) It was expected that water features would be cleansed between April and May 2021. The LCSD would notify Member of the constituency of the details when the time came.
- (c) The LCSD would inform the Member concerned of the details and the expected completion date of the works for the model boat pool.

56. The Vice-chairlady said that the AFCD had indicated that the issue was under the purview of the LCSD and asked Members to consider if it was unnecessary to invite the AFCD again to follow up on the agenda item.

LCSD

57. After discussion, the FMCLC agreed to follow up on the agenda item upon further progress and remove the AFCD from the list of responsible departments.

***(ii) "Review of Community Halls in Eastern District"***

58. The FMCLC noted the written replies from the EDO, Government Property Agency (GPA), Civil Service Training and Development Institute (CSTDI) of the Civil Service Bureau and LCSD.

59. The views and enquiries of Members about the agenda item were summarised as follows:

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- (a) Mr KU Kwai-yiu said some organisations applied to hire the facilities of various community halls (CHs) for the same time session. He suspected that some of them were abusing the application procedures or transferring the right to use to another organisation after successful application without authorisation, and urged the department to step up monitoring. Moreover, he enquired if the Eastern District Arts Council Limited had surrendered the office in Yue Wan Community Hall.
- (b) Mr CHAN Wing-tai opined that some organisations applied to hire the facilities of various CHs for the same time session, which reflected possible loopholes in the application procedures for the hiring of community hall facilities. He urged the department to squarely face the problem and plug the loopholes.

60. The DO(E) and Ms Queenie WONG of the EDO responded to the views and enquiries of Members as follows:

- (a) The Eastern District Arts Council Limited had surrendered the office in Yue Wan Community Hall on 15 January 2021.
- (b) The EDO welcomed Members' suggestions for enhancing the rules and application procedures of hiring of CHs in the Eastern District. The EDO would review and enhance the rules and application procedures in due course.
- (c) According to the Guidelines on Hiring a Community Hall/Community Centre and Its Facilities of Eastern District, a ballot would be conducted in accordance with the established procedures if there was more than one eligible applicant for the same time session. An applicant organisation could authorise a representative to attend and monitor the balloting procedures.
- (d) If Members suspected that individual organisations had not complied with the rules of hiring of CHs, they could furnish the information to the EDO. The EDO would vigorously follow up on the case.

61. The Vice-chairlady said that the GPA had indicated that the issue was not under its purview and asked Members to consider if it was unnecessary to invite the GPA again to follow up on the agenda item.

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EDO, CSTDI,  
LCSD

62. After discussion, the FMCLC agreed to follow up on the agenda item upon further progress and remove the GPA from the list of responsible departments.

*(iii) “Suggestion on Setting-up of Legal Graffiti Zones in the Eastern District”*

63. The views and enquiries of Members about the agenda item were summarised as follows:

(a) Mr LEE Yue-shun hoped that the department would adopt an open mind and consider designating legal graffiti zones in the Eastern District with reference to overseas experiences.

(b) Mr CHAN Wing-tai pointed out that there were large wall paintings in Kowloon City and could not understand why painting or graffiti walls could not be provided in the Eastern District.

64. Mr Tim LEUNG of the LCSD noted Members’ views and had nothing to supplement.

LCSD

65. After discussion, the FMCLC agreed to continue following up on the agenda item.

*(iv) “Concerns about the Suspension of Enforcement Actions in respect of Prohibition of Smoking at Public Pleasure Grounds  
Request to Step Up Efforts to Combat Smoking at Public Pleasure Grounds after the Deposition of Plans”*

66. Members noted the written reply from the Tobacco and Alcohol Control Office (TACO) of the Department of Health.

67. Mr Patrick WONG asked the department to confirm if the procedures for deposition of plans had been completed. He said if there was no other issues pertaining to smoking at public pleasure grounds to be followed up, he suggested that the FMCLC consider deleting the agenda item.

68. Mr Tim LEUNG of the LCSD responded that the procedures of deposition of plans for all public pleasure grounds had been completed in June 2019.

69. After discussion, the FMCLC agreed to delete the agenda item.

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- (v) ***“Requesting to Improve the Pet Garden Facilities at Quarry Bay Promenade  
Maximising the Use of the Pet Garden at Quarry Bay Promenade to Promote a Caring Culture for Animals in the Community  
Urging the Government to Promote Pet Gardens in Cultivating a Community Caring Culture for Animals”***

Development  
Bureau  
(DEVB),  
LCSD

70. The agenda items would be followed up on upon further progress.

- (vi) ***“Quarry Bay Park Phase II (Stages 2 & 3) - Progress Report  
Request to Develop the Open Space next to Quarry Bay Park Phase II into a Rest Garden  
Implementation of ‘Temporary Community Garden Programme’”***

71. The FMCLC noted the written reply from the LCSD.

72. Mr Patrick WONG said the Temporary Community Garden in Quarry Bay Park would be completed and open to the public in the second quarter of 2021. He enquired of the department about the schedule for releasing the activity details, so that the public would be informed of the enrolment details.

73. Mr Tim LEUNG of the LCSD responded that the gardening course under the Community Garden Programme would be held in the third quarter of 2021. The LCSD would release the relevant information by updating the Community Recreation and Sports Programmes Monthly Programmes Schedule on the webpage of the LCSD and at various District Leisure Services Office one or two months in advance of the commencement of the activities.

LCSD, DLO,  
DEVB, PlanD

74. After discussion, the FMCLC agreed to continue following up on the agenda items upon further progress.

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(vii) ***“Protecting the Woodside Site and Building a Tai-chi Leisure Trail”***

EDB, EDO,  
LCSD,  
Civil  
Engineering  
and  
Development  
Department,  
HAD, PlanD,  
LandsD

75. The agenda item would be followed up on upon further progress.

(viii) ***“Request to Review the Use of Shau Kei Wan Market to Provide Residents with Appropriate District Facilities  
Future Development of Shau Kei Wan Market  
Requesting a Change in Use of Shau Kei Wan Market”***

FEHD, GPA,  
LCSD, PlanD

76. The agenda items would be followed up on upon further progress.

(ix) ***“Concern about Material Safety of the Artificial Turf Pitch at Quarry Bay Park (Phase 1)”***

LCSD,  
Architectural  
Services  
Department  
(ArchSD)

77. The agenda item would be followed up on upon further progress.

(x) ***“Requesting the Leisure and Cultural Services Department to Provide More Children’s Play Equipment in the Relevant Constituency and Proactively Follow Up the Renovation of the King’s Road Playground in North Point”***

78. The FMCLC noted the written reply from the LCSD.

79. Mr CHENG Tat-hung thanked the LCSD for continuing to follow up on the agenda item and asked the department to report to the FMCLC the survey findings. Furthermore, he enquired of the department about the schedule of working out the proposed design of the pleasure ground.

80. Mr Tim LEUNG of the LCSD responded that the LCSD would report the survey findings and proposed design of the pleasure ground to the FMCLC in mid-2021.

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- LCSD 81. After discussion, the FMCLC agreed to follow up on the agenda item upon further progress.
- (xi) ***“Requesting the Government to Set up an Inter-departmental Working Group for Establishing an Integrated Database on Underground Facilities”***
- DEVB, HyD 82. The agenda item would be followed up on upon further progress.
- (xii) ***“Strongly Condemn the Departments Concerned for Ignoring Public Opinion and Wasting Public Money and Request to Re-pave the Entire Boardwalk at the Quarry Bay Promenade with Eco-friendly Wood-plastic Composites with Better Durability”***
83. The FMCLC noted the written replies from the LCSD and ArchSD.
- LCSD, ArchSD 84. After discussion, the FMCLC agreed to follow up on the agenda item upon further progress.
- (xiii) ***“Concern over the Use of Maintenance Materials at the Jogging Track of Quarry Bay Park - Requesting the Departments Concerned to Research on a Practical and Effective Mitigation Measure As Soon As Possible Request the Authorities to Expeditiously Formulate Work Plans and Provide a Timetable on Upgrading All Bicycle Facilities along the Jogging Track at Quarry Bay Park and Replacing Soft Plastic Mats in Children’s Playgrounds”***
- LCSD, ArchSD 85. The agenda items would be followed up on upon further progress.
- (xiv) ***“Solemnly Requesting the Leisure and Cultural Services Department to Squarely Face the Problems of Abuse or Touting Activities of Leisure Facilities - Requesting the Leisure and Cultural Services Department to Update the Leisure Link System and to Plug the Loophole Regarding Priority Booking”***
- LCSD 86. The agenda item would be followed up on upon further progress.

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(xv) ***“Request for a Public Fitness Centre for North Point Area  
Proposed Provision of Container Fitness Studios next to North Point Ferry  
Pier”***

87. The FMCLC noted the written reply from the LCSD.

88. Mr CHENG Tat-hung thanked the LCSD for following up on the agenda items. He asked the department to provide the expected completion date of the alteration works. He enquired about the types of fitness facilities to be provided in the fitness centre.

89. Mr Tim LEUNG of the LCSD responded that the LCSD would report to the FMCLC the detailed arrangements of the works and the fitness facilities in a timely manner.

LCSD, DLO,  
PlanD

90. After discussion, the FMCLC agreed to follow up on the agenda items upon further progress.

(xvi) ***“Requesting the Leisure and Cultural Services Department to Improve and  
Enhance the Leisure Facilities at Tai Man Street in Chai Wan”***

LCSD

91. The agenda item would be followed up on upon further progress.

(xvii) ***“Concern over the Noise Problem at the Hard-surface Soccer Pitch in Hing  
Wah Estate Playground No. 1”***

LCSD

92. The agenda item would be followed up on upon further progress.

(xviii) ***“Concern over the Cultural and Recreational Needs of Ethnic Minorities  
and the Promotion of Tape Ball Cricket”***

LCSD

93. The agenda item would be followed up on upon further progress.

(xix) ***“Request for Improvement of Rain Shelters and Pruning of Bushes in Fu  
Hong Street Pet Garden in Siu Sai Wan”***

94. The FMCLC noted the written reply of the LCSD.

95. Mr CHAN Wing-tai thanked the LCSD for vigorously following up on Members’ proposal and enquired about the expected commencement and

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completion dates of the works.

96. Mr Tim LEUNG of the LCSD responded that the LCSD would report to the Member of the constituency about the schedule of the works.

LCSD

97. After discussion, the FMCLC agreed to follow up on the agenda item upon further progress.

(xx) ***“Request for Replacement of Undesirable Litter Bins in Parks or Sitting-out Areas under the Leisure and Cultural Services Department”***

98. The FMCLC noted the written reply from the LCSD.

99. Ms WEI Siu-lik thanked the LCSD for promptly replacing the undesirable litter bins. She said after litter bins were replaced with lidded ones, there was no more litter being blown by the wind. The design of the new litter bins also facilitated refuse collection by cleansing workers. As the problem had been resolved, she suggested that the FMCLC cease following up on the agenda item.

100. After discussion, the FMCLC agreed to cease following up on the agenda item.

(xxi) ***“Urging the Government to Give an Account of the Conservation of the State Theatre in North Point  
Requesting the Government to Give an Account of the Assessment Report on the State Theatre and Take Actions for its Conservation to Recognise its Historical and Cultural Importance to Hong Kong”***

101. Members noted the written replies from the Commissioner for Heritage’s Office (CHO) and Antiquities and Monuments Office (AMO).

DEVB, CHO,  
AMO

102. After discussion, the FMCLC agreed to follow up on the agenda items upon further progress.

**XIV. Any Other Business**

***Government representatives in regular attendance of FMCLC meetings***

103. The Secretary indicated that representatives of the EDO in regular attendance of FMCLC meetings for the term included DO(E), Senior Liaison Officer (1), Senior

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Liaison Officer (2), Senior Executive Officer (District Management), Executive Officer (District Management) and Executive Officer I (District Council)1. As Senior Liaison Officer (1) could advise on issues pertaining to environmental hygiene blackspots in the district at meetings of the Food, Environment and Hygiene Committee (FEHC), it was proposed that the FMCLC consider endorsing the change to the committee meetings requiring regular attendance of Senior Liaison Officer (1) to FEHC meetings from FMCLC meetings with a view to providing more effective support to the EDC.

104. After discussion, the FMCLC endorsed the proposal.

## **XV. Date of the Next Meeting**

105. The 9th FMCLC Meeting would be held at 2:30 pm on 1 June 2021 (Tuesday).

106. The meeting ended at 7:00 pm.

Eastern District Council Secretariat  
May 2021