

Minutes of the Ninth Meeting of the
Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee
under Eastern District Council

Date: 27 May 2025 (Tuesday)

Time: 2:30 pm

Venue: Eastern District Council Conference Room

Present

Mr TING Kong-ho, Eddie, MH	Mr LAM Wing-shing	Mr KWOK Wing-kin
Mr TING Wong, Kacee	Mr LAM Wing-cheung	Mr CHAN Hoi-wing, Joseph
Mr WONG Chi-chung	Mr CHAU Chi-yan, Benny	Ms TSANG Cheuk-yi
Ms HO Sau-yin, Zareenah	Ms LIN Cai-ying	Ms CHIK Kit-ling, Elaine
Mr YUEN Kin-chung, Kenny	Mr HUNG Chi-kit	Mr CHENG Chi-sing, MH
Ms LI Lee	Mr HUNG Lin-cham, MH, JP	Ms LAU Suk-yin
Ms NG Ching-ching	Mr HUNG Chiu-kwan	Ms LAU Dana Sing-she
Ms LEE Ching-har	Mr LIANG Li (Chairman)	Mr LAU Hing-yeung, MH
Mr HO Ngai-kam, Stanley	Ms CHAN Hang, MH, JP (Vice-chairlady)	Mr LAI Nuen-san
Mr LAM Sum-lim, MH	Mr KWOK Ho-king, Calvin	Mr HUI Chi-kwan (Co-opted Member)
Mr LAU Yu-bun (Co-opted Member)		

In Regular Attendance (Government Representatives)

Mr Henry LAI, JP	District Officer (Eastern), Eastern District Office
Ms CHIU Man-nga, Jasmine	Assistant District Officer (Eastern)1, Eastern District Office
Miss MA Siu-yee	Senior Executive Officer (District Council), Eastern District Office
Ms LUONG An-an, Jacqueline	Senior Liaison Officer (2), Eastern District Office
Ms CHENG Lai-yin, Daisy	Senior Liaison Officer (3), Eastern District Office
Mr LAI Tsz-foon	Senior Manager (Hong Kong East), Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Ms SUNG Lai-ping, Maggie	Senior Librarian (Eastern), Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Ms LEE Wai-ming, Karvie	District Leisure Manager (Eastern), Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Ms WONG Sosanna	Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) Eastern, Leisure and Cultural Services Department

In Attendance by Invitation (Government Representatives)

Miss CHUNG Suk-yan, Janet	Manager (Hong Kong East) Marketing, Programme and District Activities, Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Miss LING Yu-kwai	Assistant District Leisure Manager (District Support) Eastern, Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Ms Anna LAM	Regional Officer, Independent Commission Against Corruption
Ms Jean CHAN	Senior Community Relations Officer, Independent Commission Against Corruption

Secretary

Ms WONG Siu-na, Siena	Executive Officer I (District Council)1, Eastern District Office
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Opening Remarks

The Chairman welcomed all Members and government representatives to the meeting.

Agenda 1. Confirmation of the Draft Minutes of the 8th Meeting of Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee (CICRC)

2. The above draft minutes were confirmed without amendments.

Agenda 2. Report on Arts and Cultural Activities in Eastern District by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department in 2025-26 (CICRC Paper No. 11/2025)

3. The representative of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) briefed Members on Paper No. 11/2025.
4. The Chairman enquired about the seating capacity of the Sai Wan Ho Civic Centre Theatre, and how the estimated number of attendees for activities was calculated. The Vice-chairlady enquired about the numbers of attendees for the arts and cultural activities organised in May 2025.
5. The representative of the LCSD responded that the renovated Sai Wan Ho Civic Centre Theatre had 453 seats, and that the estimated numbers of attendees for activities were estimated by the performing art groups based on the nature of the

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activities. The actual numbers of attendees for arts and cultural activities organised by the LCSD in May 2025 were as follows:

Show/Performing Art Group	Date/Time	Actual No. of Audience/Participants
Yao Yueh Chinese Music Association Beyond Chinese Zodiac Tales: A Hand Puppet-guided Journey Catching the Zodiac Animals: A Hand Puppet-guided Community Tours	18 May 2:30 pm	143
Hong Kong School Drama Festival 2024/25 – Public Performance	20 May 7:30 pm	232
	21 May 7:30 pm	193
	23 May 7:30 pm	322
	24 May 7:30 pm	245

6. The CICRC noted the captioned paper.

Agenda 3. Annual Implementation Report on Community Involvement in Arts and Cultural Activities by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (CICRC Paper No. 12/2025)

7. The representative of the LCSD briefed Members on Paper No. 12/2025.

8. The CICRC noted the captioned paper.

Agenda 4. Report by LCSD on Extension Activities and Usage of Public Libraries

(CICRC Paper No. 13/2025)

9. The representative of the LCSD briefed Members on Paper No. 13/2025, and thanked Eastern District Council Members for participating in the Hong Kong Reading for All Day promotional activity on 23 April.

10. The CICRC noted the captioned paper.

Agenda 5. Report by LCSD on Extension Activities of Public Libraries in the Eastern District Held from Apr 2024 to Mar 2025

(Paper No. 14/2025)

11. The representative of the LCSD briefed Members on Paper No. 14/2025.

12. Members pointed out that the current development of artificial intelligence (AI) technology was rapid, and enquired whether the department would launch any promotional activities in line with AI technology. Members also enquired about the reason for the low attendance at User Education Sessions.

13. The representative of the LCSD responded that the department had previously held a promotional activity at the Exhibition Gallery at the Hong Kong Central Library, featuring an immersive interactive projection game wall where the public could create drawings by touching the wall. In addition, the LCSD was currently developing a new Smart Library System and had plans to introduce AI robots with interactive question-and-answer functions in libraries in the future. User Education Sessions were conducted in one-on-one settings or in small groups to introduce participants to the library's online services, collection search techniques, electronic resources, and the use of self-service facilities, with workstations provided to participants during the session to try out the electronic resources. Therefore, the number of participants in each activity was relatively low.

14. The CICRC noted the captioned paper.

Agenda 6. Leisure and Cultural Services Department's Eastern District Annual Recreation and Sports Programme Implementation Report 2024-25 (CICRC Paper No. 15/2025)

15. The representative of the LCSD briefed Members on Paper No. 15/2025.
16. The CICRC noted the captioned paper.

Agenda 7. Workplan Presentation of the Independent Commission Against Corruption Regional Office (Hong Kong East) 2025/26 (CICRC Paper No. 16/2025)

17. The representative of the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) briefed Members on Paper No. 16/2025, and appealed to Members to remind the public to stay vigilant to frauds involving the impersonation of ICAC personnel.
18. The views and enquiries of Members were summarised as follows:
 - (a) Members thanked the ICAC for their past efforts and contributions, and supported its workplan for 2025/26. Members also welcomed the opening of the newly renovated ICAC Exhibition Hall to the public;
 - (b) Members enquired about the registration methods for the iTeen Leadership Programme for Senior Secondary School Students;
 - (c) Members enquired whether the ICAC had provided any publicity and education programmes for new arrivals from the Mainland to settle and work in Hong Kong to help them better understand local anti-corruption laws; and
 - (d) Members suggested that the ICAC could collaborate with District Council Members to hold anti-corruption talks for, and distribute leaflets, pamphlets or souvenirs to local residents and owners' corporations (OCs).

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19. The representative of the ICAC thanked Members for their recognition of the commission's work, and responded to their views and enquiries as follows:

- (a) The ICAC took the initiative to send letters to secondary schools in various districts every year, inviting them to sign up for relevant activity programmes;
- (b) The ICAC would continue to provide preventive education for imported workers and new arrivals to ensure they understood the anti-corruption laws and probity culture in Hong Kong. In addition to arranging talks and providing anti-corruption information, the ICAC would continue to disseminate anti-corruption messages to new arrivals extensively through promotional videos, leaflets, thematic websites and social media posts; and
- (c) The ICAC had been working closely with District Offices to provide consultation and education services to OCs in the district on integrity building management. The ICAC's one-stop thematic website, "Integrity and Quality Building Management", featured extensive resources, including educational videos that presented anti-corruption information on building maintenance and property management in a simple and straightforward manner. Members who wished to arrange anti-corruption talks for OCs or requested relevant leaflets and brochures were welcome to contact the ICAC. The office would strive to cooperate with various organisations in the district in meeting their needs for anti-corruption education.

20. The CICRC noted the captioned paper.

Agenda 8. Half-yearly Report (October 2024 – March 2025) on the Community Involvement Programme 2024/25 of the Eastern District Office (CICRC Paper No. 17/2025)

21. The representative of the Eastern District Office (EDO) briefed Members on Paper No. 17/2025.

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22. Members said that the claw machine and photography booths at the Lunar New Year celebration gathering were very popular, providing participants with a rich interactive experience. Photos taken during the event could also be used for subsequent promotional purposes. Members suggested increasing the number of booths next year to shorten waiting times. Members also proposed to make better use of the open space near the East Coast Boardwalk and North Point Promenade to organise more activities.

23. The representative of the EDO noted Members' suggestions and said that they would be taken into consideration when organising future events.

24. The CICRC noted the captioned paper.

Agenda 9. Any Other Business

25. There was no other discussion item for the CICRC.

Agenda 10. Date of Next Meeting

26. The 10th meeting of the CICRC would be held at 2:30 pm on 17 July 2025 (Thursday)

27. The meeting ended at 3:30 pm.

Eastern District Council Secretariat
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