

Minutes of the Seventh Meeting of the
District Facilities and Works Committee
under Eastern District Council

Date: 16 January 2025 (Thursday)

Time: 2:30 pm

Venue: Eastern District Council Conference Room

Present

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

Absent with Apologies

Ms WU Bi-yen, Joyce (Co-opted Member) (absent with consent)

In Regular Attendance (Government Representatives)

Mr FU Yiu-nam, Daniel	Assistant District Officer (Eastern)2, Eastern District Office
Ms NG Yan-mei, Monie	Senior Executive Officer (District Council), Eastern District Office
Ms CHAN Ching-kwan, Janny	Liaison Officer-in-charge (Shau Kei Wan), Eastern District Office
Ms CHENG Lai-yin, Daisy	Senior Liaison Officer (3), Eastern District Office
Mr LAU Chi-kan, Kenneth	Senior Executive Officer (District Management), Eastern District Office
Mr CHEUNG Ki-lun, Alan	Executive Officer (District Management)2, Eastern District Office
Mr YEUNG Sze-cheung, Terence	Senior Engineer/6 (South), Civil Engineering and Development Department

Mr CHUNG Ho-ting, Elton	Senior Town Planner/Hong Kong (2), Planning Department
Ms LEE Ka-yee, Eva	Senior Housing Manager/Hong Kong Island and Islands 1, Housing Department
Mr LEE Kin-yee	Maintenance Surveyor/Hong Kong East, Housing Department
Mr WONG Leung-yau, Jimmy	Senior Estate Surveyor/Hong Kong East (3), District Lands Office, Hong Kong East, Lands Department
Mr MOK Chan, Charles	Chief Estate Officer/Hong Kong East, District Lands Office, Hong Kong East, Lands Department
Mr NG Kwok-kei, Kim	Building Surveyor/B1-1, Buildings Department
Mr WONG Man-wong	Chief Leisure Manager (Hong Kong East), 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
Mr WONG Chi-weng, Lawrence	Engineer/Eastern 3, Drainage Services Department
Mr FUNG Yat-ching	Engineer/Hong Kong & Islands Region (Distribution 1), Water Supplies Department
Mr KONG Wai-ho, Alex	District Engineer/North East, Highways Department

In Attendance by Invitation (Government Representatives)

Ms FUNG Winsome	Senior School Development Officer (Hong Kong East)4 Education Bureau
Mr LAM Wing-cheung, David	Building Services Engineer / Hong Kong East, Housing Department
Mr AU Wai-kei, Ricky	Building Services Engineer / Hong Kong North and Islands, Housing Department

Secretary

Ms LEUNG Mun-chee, Charlie	Executive Officer I (District Council)2, Eastern District Office
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Opening Remarks

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

Handling Applications for Absence

2. Ms Joyce WU submitted notification of absence from meeting before the meeting. The District Facilities and Works Committee (DFWC) decided to give consent to Ms Joyce WU on the ground that she had to attend the funeral of an immediate family member.

Agenda 1. Confirmation of the Draft Minutes of the 6th Meeting of District Facilities and Works Committee

3. The above draft minutes were confirmed without amendment.

Agenda 2. Renaming of “Man Hong Street Playground” to “Man Hong Street Pet Garden”

(DFWC Paper No. 1/2025)

4. The representative of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) briefed Members on Paper No. 1/2025.
5. Members enquired about the opening hours of the Man Hong Street Pet Garden.
6. The representative of the LCSD replied that the Man Hong Street Pet Garden would be open 24 hours a day.

Agenda 3. Chai Wan Sports Centre Refurbishment Works

(DFWC Paper No. 2/2025)

7. The representative of the LCSD briefed Members on Paper No. 2/2025.
8. The views and enquiries of Members about the agenda item were summarised as follows:
 - (a) During the refurbishment works of the Chai Wan Sports Centre, members of the public would have to go to other sports centres in the

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Eastern District to use the facilities. Members enquired the average number of users of the Chai Wan Sports Centre and whether other sports centres in the Eastern District could absorb them.

- (b) Members enquired whether renovation and repair works would be carried out at the fitness room at the Chai Wan Sports Centre, and whether the facilities in the fitness room would be replaced.
- (c) Members enquired whether the refurbishment works at the Chai Wan Sports Centre would include facility enhancements.
- (d) Members enquired whether the Chai Wan Sports Centre would be reopened to the public immediately upon completion of the works.

9. The representative of the LCSD responded to Members' views and enquiries as follows:

- (a) According to records, there were around 9 000 to 10 000 monthly attendances at the fitness room at the Chai Wan Sports Centre. The other three sports centres with fitness rooms under the Eastern District Leisure Services Office, namely the Quarry Bay Sports Centre, Island East Sports Centre and Java Road Sports Centre, were expected to meet the demand given that all the existing fitness equipment was in normal operation.
- (b) Replacement of the fitness room floor was part of the Chai Wan Sports Centre refurbishment works, and the fitness room had to be closed for the works. Also, the fitness equipment at the Chai Wan Sports Centre was functioning normally, and there was no plan to replace the equipment for the time being.
- (c) The refurbishment works of the Chai Wan Sports Centre facilities included replacing the concrete floor of the arena with a wooden one. In addition, lockers with locks would be provided in the activity room to enhance security. The works would also renovate the barrier-free facilities to comply with the prevailing legal requirements.
- (d) The LCSD would carry out the refurbishment works on the first and third

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floors in two phases. Once the refurbishment works on each floor were completed, the facilities on that floor would be opened for public use. As the refurbishment works also included general public facilities such as corridors, individual facilities on the floors where the works were being carried out could not be opened for public use.

Agenda 4. Progress Report of Matters Arising from Previous DFWC Meetings under Eastern District Council

(DFWC Paper No. 3/2025)

- (i) ***“Request to Follow Up the Matters Concerning the Noise Barriers for Blocks 16 and 17 of Heng Fa Chuen Immediately
Suggestion on Substituting Existing Noise Barrier Superstructures on Highways with Solar Panels Progress
Progress on Retrofitting Additional Noise Barriers on Road in Eastern District
Request for Retrofitting of Noise Barriers on Chai Wan Road from Road Section of Neptune Terrace
Proposal for Retrofitting Noise Barriers on Existing Roads in the Eastern District”***

Environmental
Protection
Department/
Highways
Department
(HyD)

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

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

Planning
Department
(PlanD)

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

- (iii) ***“Urging the Government to Give an Account of the Severe Floods caused by Heavy Rain in Shau Kei Wan***

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Request to Fully Review the Floods in Eastern District of Hong Kong Island

Review of Anti-flooding Preventive Measures and their Effectiveness in Eastern District

Drainage Improvement Works at Fei Tsui Road, Chai Wan

12. The DFWC agreed to cease following up on the agenda items.

(iv) ***“Concern over the Development Plan for the Site Next to Quarry Bay Promenade at Hoi Yu Street***

Following Up on the Proposed Construction of a 25-storey Industrial Building at the Quarry Bay Promenade near the Exit of the Pet Garden at Hoi Yu Street

Proposal on Enhanced Harbourfront Development at Hoi Yu Street, Quarry Bay

Development
Bureau/
District Lands
Office, Hong Kong
East/PlanD/
Buildings
Department (BD)/
Transport
Department (TD)

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

(v) ***“Strong Request to Install a Lift for Connecting Hing Man Estate Footbridge at Chai Wan Road and Tai Man Street***

Follow-up on the Provision of the Escalator at Staircases by Block 2 of Neptune Terrace

TD/HyD

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

(vi) ***“Request to Study and Implement Preventive Measures along the Coast of Heng Fa Chuen***

Strong Request for the Installation of Temporary Floating Breakwater at Waters off Heng Fa Chuen

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Follow-up on the Construction Progress of Offshore Breakwaters along Heng Fa Chuen

15. The DFWC agreed to cease following up on the agenda items.

(vii) "Scope of Development for the Proposed Works of the Sports Centre and Open Space at Aldrich Bay"

LCSD/TD/
PlanD

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

(viii) "Concern over the Facilities and Services Provided by the District Library in the Joint User Complex at Lei King Road"

LCSD

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

(ix) "Request for Provision of Rain Shelters at Bus Stops on Tin Hau Temple Road near Pak Fuk Road"

18. The representative of the Eastern District Office (EDO) reported on the latest work progress.

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

- (a) Members enquired about the conditions required for the location of the rain shelters.
- (b) The original location where rain shelters would be built was the bus stop on Tin Hau Temple Road, Braemar Hill. As there were no trees or facilities to provide shade nearby, Members suggested building rain shelters at the location. Members thanked the EDO for its proactive response to the demands, but also understood that the works could not be carried out further as more pipelines were being laid underneath the nearby pedestrian walkway than originally expected. Members would propose another location for rain shelters near the original proposed

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location, and hoped that the EDO would conduct further studies in the future.

20. The representative of the EDO noted Members' views and suggestions, and responded to Members' enquiry, pointing out that the proposed location of the captioned works was next to a slope and near a road junction. The EDO first consulted the relevant departments on whether the works would have any impact on the safety of the slope, and whether the rain shelters would affect traffic line-of-sight. With the positive response from the relevant departments at that time, the EDO began to plan the design drawing of the rain shelters. However, given that the foundation of the rain shelters required sufficient depth to ensure structural stability, there was insufficient space to build a structurally stable foundation in the proposed location where the underground pipelines at the proposed location were only about 60 centimetres away from the ground and were very dense. Insisting on building a foundation at the location might damage the pipelines and would greatly affect the daily lives of nearby residents. Therefore, it was not possible for the EDO to proceed with the captioned works.

21. The DFWC agreed to cease following up on the agenda item.

(x) ***“Suggestion for Provision of Escalator beside the Staircases from Bus Stop at Yiu Wah House on Yiu Hing Road to Sai Wan Ho Street”***

TD

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

(xi) ***“Suggesting the Leisure and Cultural Services Department to Expand the Pet Sharing Area in Quarry Bay Park and Convert Sai Wan Ho Harbour Park and Aldrich Bay Promenade into ‘Inclusive Parks for Pets’”***

23. The representative of the LCSD reported on the latest work progress.

24. Members enquired about the targets of the consultation and the next date of consultation.

25. The representative of the LCSD responded to Members' views and enquiries as follows:

(a) The targets of the consultation included Eastern District Council (EDC)

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Members, Aldrich Area Committee Members, and representatives of buildings within a 150 metre radius of the premises, including owners' corporations (OCs), mutual aid committees, property services management offices and schools.

- (b) In view of the relatively long consultation period and the large number of responses received, the LCSD would not conduct another consultation on the captioned matter in the near future.

26. The DFWC agreed to cease following up on the agenda item °

(xii) "Request for Provision of Seats along Leaping Dragon Walk"

EDO 27. The agenda item would be followed up on upon further progress.

(xiii) "Suggestion for Comprehensive Inspection of Ageing Water Pipes in Public Housing Estates in Eastern District"

Housing
Department
(HD) 28. The agenda item would be followed up on upon further progress.

(xiv) "Concern about Ageing Water Mains and Enhancement of Water Supply Arrangement during Emergency Water Suspension in Braemar Hill Area"

Water Supplies
Department 29. The agenda item would be followed up on upon further progress.

(xv) "Suggestion for Enhancement to Tourism Resources of Shau Kei Wan Main Street East to Develop a Quality and Highly Visited Tourist Attraction in Eastern District"

TD/HyD 30. The agenda item would be followed up on upon further progress.

(xvi) "Suggesting Eastern District Office to Coordinate the Use of Government

Premises For Hire by Owners' Corporations in Eastern District for General Meetings

31. The representative of the Education Bureau (EDB) reported on the latest work progress.
32. The views and enquiries of Members about the agenda item were summarised as follows:
- (a) Members hoped that the EDO would coordinate the use of government premises for hire by OCs in the Eastern District for general meetings.
 - (b) Members hoped that the EDB could provide incentives for schools to provide premises to OCs.
 - (c) Members requested the list of schools willing to provide their premises for hire and their contact details.
33. The representatives of the EDO and EDB noted Members' views and suggestions, and responded to their views and enquiries as follows:

EDO

- (a) The EDO's Guidelines on Hiring a Community Hall/Community Centre (CH/CC) and its Facilities in the Eastern District stipulated a mechanism which accorded priority to OCs/owners' committees (OCOMs) to hire its facilities once each year for holding a general meeting. The EDO noted Members' views and hoped that the above priority mechanism could alleviate the demand for meeting venues by OCs/OCOMs in the Eastern District.

EDB

- (b) As the conditions and restrictions for hiring premises varied among different schools, the EDB noted Members' views and would reflect them.

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EDO/LCSD/
EDB

34. The DFWC agreed to follow up on the agenda item at the next meeting.

(xvii) “Suggestion for Installation of Light Sensors in Public Housing Estates in Eastern District to Activate Public Lightings”

35. The representative of the HD reported on the latest work progress.

36. Members thanked the HD for promptly conducting an inspection with Members at Yiu Tung Estate and installing light sensors after the captioned agenda item was discussed at the meeting in November last year. Members also hoped that the HD would install light sensors at other locations in Yiu Tung Estate as well as other public housing estates in the Eastern District.

37. The representative of the HD noted Members’ views and suggestions, and responded to their views as follows:

- (a) As the installation of light sensors in Yiu Tung Estate was only completed at the beginning of the month, it was necessary for the HD to first observe the operation and effectiveness of the pilot points under adverse weather. Depending on the evaluation results of the pilot points, further studies would be carried out as necessary based on the actual situation.
- (b) The HD noted Members’ agreement that the HD should first evaluate the effectiveness of the pilot points before making corresponding arrangements.

HD

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

(xviii) “Concern about Frequent Failures of Escalator Connecting King’s Road and Fortress Metro Tower”

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Electrical and
Mechanical
Services
Department

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

Agenda 5. Any Other Business

40. The Chairman said that the Secretariat had received a letter from the BD inviting the nomination of an EDC Member to represent the EDC as a member of the Selection Panel under the Mandatory Building Inspection Scheme and Mandatory Window Inspection Scheme. The term of appointment would be from 15 July 2025 to 14 July 2028. With the consent of the EDC Chairman and the Chairman, Mr Joseph CHAN was nominated to represent the EDC as a member of the Selection Panel under the Mandatory Building Inspection Scheme and Mandatory Window Inspection Scheme.

41. There was no other discussion item for the DFWC.

Agenda 6. Date of Next Meeting

42. The eighth DFWC meeting would be held at 2:30 pm on 11 March 2025 (Tuesday).

43. The meeting ended at 3:45 pm.

Eastern District Council Secretariat
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