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**Islands District Council
Minutes of Meeting of the
Community Affairs, Culture and Recreation Committee**

Date : 8 May 2017 (Monday)
Time : 2:00 p.m.
Venue : Islands District Council Conference Room

Present

Ms YU Lai-fan (Chairman)
Ms TSANG Sau-ho, Josephine (Vice-Chairman)
Mr CHOW Yuk-tong, BBS
Mr YU Hon-kwan, Randy, JP
Mr CHAN Lin-wai
Mr FAN Chi-ping
Ms LEE Kwai-chun
Mr TANG Ka-piu, Bill, JP
Ms YUNG Wing-sheung, Amy
Mr KWONG Koon-wan
Mr CHOW Ho-ding, Holden
Ms FU Hiu-lam, Sammi
Mr WONG Hoi-yu
Ms KWOK Wai-man, Mealoha
Mr LEE Man-on

Attendance by Invitation

Mr LIU Wai-sum	Assistant Divisional Officer, Fire Services Department
Mr KONG Tat-shing	Senior Station Officer , Fire Services Department
Ms SO Yim-ling, Brenda	Regional Officer/Hong Kong Island, Independent Commission Against Corruption
Mr YAU San-ping, Peter	Senior Executive Officer (District Management), Islands District Office

In Attendance

Mr WONG Wing-kin	Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) Islands, Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Ms KWOK Lai-kuen, Elaine	Senior Librarian (Islands), Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Ms YUEN Chi-ling, Margaret	Manager (New Territories South) Marketing & District Activities, Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Mr TAM Kwok-chu, Joe	Community Relations Officer (West HK Island & Islands), Independent Commission Against Corruption
Mr NG Wai-lung, David	Assistant District Social Welfare Officer (Central Western, Southern and Islands)2, Social Welfare Department

Mr CHOW Chit, Joe
Ms YUEN Wai-kwan
Mr LAM Kit-sing
Ms CHOI Kwok-por

Assistant District Officer (Islands)2, Islands District Office
Representative, Association of School Heads of Islands District
Representative, Islands District Sports Association
Representative, Hong Kong Islands Cultural & Art Association

Secretary

Miss CHAN Shuk-yi, Rachel

Executive Officer (District Council)1, Islands District Office

Absent with Apologies

Mr YUNG Chi-ming, BBS
Mr WONG Hon-kuen, Ken
Mr KWOK Ping, Eric
Mr LAI Tsz-man
Dr LEE Chi-on, Clement

Senior School Development Officer (Islands)1, Education Bureau

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**Welcoming remarks**

The Chairman welcomed representatives of government departments and organisations as well as Members to the meeting and introduced the following department representatives who attended the meeting:

- (a) Mr NG Wai-lung, David, Assistant District Social Welfare Officer (Central Western, Southern & Islands) of Social Welfare Department (SWD) who succeeded Mr CHU Kam-sing, Daniel; and
- (b) Ms YUEN Chi-ling, Margaret, Manager (New Territories South) Marketing & District Activities of Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) who stood in for Ms LEE Kit-yee, Kitty.

2. Members noted that Mr YUNG Chi-ming, Mr Ken WONG, Mr Eric KWOK, Mr LAI Tsz-man and Dr Clement LEE were unable to attend the meeting due to other commitments.

I. **Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting held on 6.3.2017**

3. The Chairman said that the above minutes had incorporated the amendments proposed by government departments and were distributed to Members for perusal prior to the meeting.

4. The captioned minutes were confirmed unanimously without amendments.

(Mr Holden CHOW and Ms Sammi FU joined the meeting at around 2:05 p.m.)

(Mr Bill TANG joined the meeting at around 2:10 p.m.)

II. An Introduction to the Fire Safety (Buildings) Ordinance (Cap. 572)  
(Paper CACRC 23/2017)

5. The Chairman welcomed Mr LIU Wai-sum, Assistant Division Officer and Mr KONG Tat-shing, Senior Station Officer of Fire Services Department (FSD) to the meeting to present the paper.

6. Mr KONG Tat-shing presented the paper with the aid of PowerPoint presentation.

7. Ms Amy YUNG raised the following questions:

- (a) As stated by the representatives of FSD, the owners' corporations (OCs) of buildings could step in to help raise funds to improve the fire safety facilities. As early as 2000, she had requested the Islands District Office (IsDO) to assist in setting up an OC for Discovery Bay. She asked the representatives of IsDO to report the progress.
- (b) While a fire hydrant was installed near 2-8 Seahorse Lane, the parking of large vehicles for long periods of time might obstruct access to the fire hydrant to draw water in case of a fire. She enquired whether the long-term parking of vehicles thereat was illegal.

8. Mr KWONG Koon-wan indicated that he had helped the residents handle matters relating to the maintenance of private slopes, which could serve as a reference for FSD. Some owners receiving the Dangerous Hillside Orders from the Buildings Department (BD) were unable to maintain the slopes by themselves due to the absence of an OC. For old buildings in which an OC had not been formed or the ownership was too fragmented, BD would exercise the statutory power under the Buildings Ordinance to perform maintenance works for the buildings and charge the owners according to their share of ownership upon completion. He opined that FSD could make reference to BD's practice to help address the fire safety issues for buildings without an OC or under fragmented ownership, and conduct a joint tendering exercise for several buildings to save costs.

(Post-meeting note: FSD indicated that, according to the existing Fire Safety (Buildings) Ordinance (Cap 572 of Hong Kong Law), FSD was not authorised to perform fire safety improvement works for buildings and charge the owners according to their share of ownership upon completion. At the Legislative Council meetings on 2 March 2016 and 14 June 2017, the Secretary for Security, Mr LAI Tung-kwok, in answer to similar questions raised by Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG and Hon Starry LEE respectively, said that if government departments were to conduct certain works on the owners' behalf, particularly those non-emergency works relating to private properties, the departments would face great difficulties. For instance, the owners concerned might disagree with the location of installing fire service water tanks or hose reel systems proposed by the departments due to title issues,

spatial constraints and impact on the appearance of their buildings. Since these types of works involved various feasible proposals and works arrangements, and the associated costs varied subject to the proposals to be adopted, the owners must deliberate on the proposals and reach a consensus before the works were carried out. It was therefore not appropriate for the enforcement authorities to make such decisions or to carry out the works for the owners. If the departments were to forcibly carry out the works, it could lead to litigation and delay the progress of the works. As such, FSD was unable to accept Mr KWONG Koon-wan's proposal.)

9. Mr Joe CHOW said that the Home Affairs Department (HAD) had all along maintained communication with Discovery Bay residents regarding the formation of an OC for Discovery Bay. If assistance or legal advice was required by Members and Discovery Bay residents, IsDO could relay their request to HAD for follow-up or consideration.

10. Mr KONG Tat-shing said that regarding the parking problem on Seahorse Lane, FSD had to first ascertain whether the vehicles would obstruct the emergency vehicular access. Vehicles obstructing the fire hydrant committed a parking offence, which would be passed on to the Police for follow-up when contravention was found during the fire safety inspections. In case a vehicle hindered the rescue efforts during a fire, the firemen had the right to remove the vehicle or break the car windows in order to draw water from the fire hydrant. He would liaise with the relevant colleagues to follow up on the situation of Seahorse Lane.

11. Ms Amy YUNG raised the opinions as follows:

- (a) She had time and again requested IsDO to organise a talk in Discovery Bay on the formation of OC and proposed the same at the District Council meeting but had yet received any positive response. She hoped IsDO would follow up as soon as possible. Many Discovery Bay residents hoped that IsDO could provide assistance and legal advice on forming the OC with no delay.
- (b) She saw vehicles park illegally on Seahorse Lane every day when she passed by. Although the management office was informed immediately, the vehicles would be parked there again after some time. Since the building was already over 30 years old, she was worried about the potential safety risks caused by the prolonged illegal occupation of the road by large vehicles. FSD should arrange staff to conduct inspection at the site which was near to the Discovery Bay Fire Station and assist the management office to solve the problem.

(Post-meeting note: As indicated by FSD, on the day of the meeting, Mr KONG Tat-shing, Senior Station Officer, passed on the case to Marine and Offshore Islands Division (Hong Kong Command) of FSD promptly for follow-up. The divisional officer in charge would respond to Ms YUNG direct after investigation.)

12. Mr Joe CHOW indicated that IsDO would further liaise with HAD and follow up with Ms YUNG after the meeting.

13. Mr KONG Tat-shing said that he had been deployed at the Discovery Bay Fire Station and learnt that fire engines conducted inspection every month in the area. If any road blockage was found, the Police would be informed immediately for follow-up. Since Discovery Bay was a private place, the assistance of Ms YUNG was required for FSD to follow up, and FSD would solve the problem immediately wherever practicable. He pointed out that road traffic control, particularly illegal parking, was under the purview of the Police and FSD would relay to the Hong Kong Police Force for follow-up and action.

14. Ms Amy YUNG hoped IsDO would make arrangement for the staff of HAD to meet with the residents at the Discovery Bay Community Hall and discuss the formation of OC as soon as possible. Moreover, Discovery Bay was a private place and had many emergency vehicular accesses but they were occupied by large vehicles for long periods, posing fire risks. She suggested the firemen inspect the plaza near the post office. She had informed the Police which indicated that the matter was not within its ambit. HAD and IsDO had been working on the formation of OC for over 20 years but without progress. She hoped similar situation did not exist in other government departments. While the district fire station claimed that it was not their responsibility to handle the problem of vehicle obstruction, Tung Chung Police Station said that it did not fall within their ambit, and she questioned which party should be held responsible in the event of accidents.

15. The Chairman asked IsDO and FSD to follow up on Ms YUNG's concern.

16. Mr KONG Tat-shing said that in view of the immediate danger of the slopes, BD conducted the works first and recovered the costs thereafter. However, matters pertaining to the Fire Safety (Buildings) Ordinance could not be handled in the same way. As the conditions of buildings varied and no generalisation could be made, it was impossible for FSD to conduct a joint tendering exercise for several buildings. He pointed out that at present many buildings did not have an OC and thus no one would take the lead to help address the fire safety issue. The issue would only be dealt with until a ticket was received. Measures had been put in place for FSD to handle individual cases in a flexible and pragmatic manner.

17. Mr LIU Wai-sum said that regarding the fire safety works in buildings, if the building had more than one OC, disputes might arise among the owners or OCs over the matters relating to tendering, works prices and contractor. As Hong Kong was a free market, the owners might want to appoint their own contractor instead of being centrally coordinated by the government. The slope example mentioned by Mr KWONG Koon-wan was of a different nature because dangerous slopes might pose imminent danger, but improvement of FSD's fire safety installations in existing buildings might not involve immediate safety risks.

18. Mr KWONG Koon-wan raised the opinions as follows:

- (a) He was concerned whether the risk level of slopes was higher than that of personal injury or fatality caused by fire in the buildings. The risk level of slopes could be calculated based on the soil test data, but the potential fire

risk of old buildings, which might be higher than slope risk, could not be calculated. For matters involving the risk of personal injury or fatality, a market-oriented approach should not be adopted. He hoped FSD would make reference to the practice of BD.

- (b) A tendering exercise led by the government could alleviate the concerns about bid-rigging and even avoid disputes among the owners. Otherwise, the problem would remain unsolved if the building did not have an OC. He hoped FSD would consider his suggestion and study whether the power conferred under the Buildings Ordinance was applicable to fire safety matters.

19. The Chairman asked FSD to consider the opinions of Members.

(Ms Sammi FU left the meeting at around 2:10 p.m.)

III. Annual Work Plan 2017-18 of Central Western, Southern and Islands District Social Welfare Office of Social Welfare Department  
(Paper CACRC 24/2017)

20. The Chairman welcomed Mr David NG, Assistant District Social Welfare Officer (Central Western, Southern & Islands District)<sup>2</sup> of SWD to the meeting to present the paper.

21. Mr David NG presented the paper.

22. Mr Bill TANG raised the questions and opinions as follows:

- (a) He had earlier enquired about the progress of Tung Wah Group of Hospitals (TWGHs) Lok Kwan District Support Centre for Persons with Disabilities and hoped that concrete progress was made to benefit persons with disabilities on Lantau Island.
- (b) There was only one private residential care home for the elderly (RCHE) in Tung Chung. As there were cases of residents going missing and passing away, it made one doubtful about its management and service quality. He enquired how the effectiveness of the Service Quality Group Scheme was assessed. He suggested the Department arrange staff to be mystery shoppers and he would be glad to be one of them.
- (c) With the completion of Ying Tung Estate in Tung Chung in the near future and the numerous new private estates nearby, the demand for family and community services would increase significantly. He enquired how SWD would deploy new integrated family service to meet the demand.

23. Mr David NG responded as follows:

- (a) SWD had reserved a unit at Tung Ma House, Fu Tung Estate for TWGHs to run a district support centre for persons with disabilities. The said unit was

now used as an integrated service centre by another organisation (Sheng Kung Hui) which was expected to move out in six to nine months' time. The unit would then be released for the use by TWGHs.

- (b) The Service Quality Group Scheme was one of the many measures adopted by SWD to regulate the RCHEs, in addition to the inspection system, etc. The Service Quality Group comprised members from the local community, who would conduct surprise visits to various RCHEs which participated in this scheme voluntarily. The Department would continue to encourage various RCHEs in the district to join the scheme. Mr Bill TANG might consider serving as a member upon invitation by SWD when the term of the current membership expired.
- (c) The Department had reserved a unit in Ying Tung Estate (i.e. Tung Chung Area 56) to serve as a branch office for provision of integrated service. The office would start operation upon the intake of residents.

24. Mr Holden CHOW said that SWD had mentioned about reserving a land in Ying Tung Estate for establishing a RCHE of 100 places. He enquired about the progress.

25. Mr Bill TANG indicated that as a registered social worker, he would like to assist in implementing the Service Quality Group Scheme. He enquired about the number of private RCHEs in Islands District participating voluntarily in the scheme and whether they included the private RCHEs in Tung Chung. Moreover, the Department's Recognition Ceremony for Carers of Persons with Disabilities used to be held in Sheung Wan, which was inconvenient to the residents of Islands District. He hoped the Department would proactively consider holding the event inside the area of Islands District.

26. Mr David NG gave a consolidated response as follows:

- (a) In addition to the integrated service centre, the Department planned to provide welfare services in Tung Chung Area 56, such as establishing a RCHE of 100 places and a residential care home for persons with disabilities, but no exact timetable was available.
- (b) At present, two subsidised RCHEs participated voluntarily in the Service Quality Group Scheme and no private RCHE participated so far. The Department would continue to encourage private RCHEs to participate in the scheme.
- (c) He thanked Mr TANG for his view on the location for holding the recognition ceremony.

27. Mr Bill TANG said that SWD should build the public's confidence in the standard of private RCHEs through inspections or other means. Nevertheless, the private RCHEs might not agree to be inspected. In view of the small number of private RCHEs in the Islands District and given that SWD's new initiative was on a voluntary basis, should the private RCHEs refuse to participate, how would the Department deal with it?

28. Mr David NG was aware of Mr Bill TANG's concern and would relay his views to the headquarters. He indicated that inspection was only part of the regulation over RCHEs and the Department would conduct surprise and regular inspections under the prevailing laws. In addition to the enforcement of regulations, the Department would adopt a multi-pronged approach, which included encouraging the voluntary participation in the Service Quality Group Scheme to enhance the quality of RCHE service. Group members included District Councillors and members from the local community, medical and health care sector and subsidised RCHEs, etc., who would give advice and friendly reminder to RCHEs on the facilities and service operation. SWD encouraged RCHEs to join the scheme and believed that there would be more RCHEs joining. In fact, the number of RCHEs in various districts participating in the scheme had increased in the past few years.

(Mr Holden CHOW left the meeting at around 3:05 p.m.)

IV. Work Plan 2017/18 of ICAC Regional Office (Hong Kong West/Islands)  
(Paper CACRC 25/2017)

29. The Chairman welcomed Ms SO Yim-ling, Brenda, Regional Officer/Hong Kong Island and Mr TAM Kwok-chu, Joe, Community Relations Officer (Hong Kong West/Islands) of the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) to the meeting to present the paper.

30. Ms Brenda SO presented the paper.

31. Mr Bill TANG was concerned about the issue of grass-root workers in recent years. To his knowledge, due to recruitment difficulties, many head-hunting agencies recruited a large number of airport security guards, waiters/waitresses or cleaning workers on a casual basis, hence the frequent disputes over working hours and wages (e.g. embezzlement of wages by head-hunting agencies or failure of employees to perform duties as required, etc.). He opined that this was due to the defective employment system and hoped ICAC would pay attention to the integrity issue.

32. Ms Amy YUNG thanked ICAC for its effort in making Hong Kong a corruption-free city. She noticed that among the corruption complaints in the private sector, the number of complaints on building management was the highest. Moreover, bid-rigging had become increasingly serious in recent years. The biggest problem faced by Discovery Bay was the absence of an OC. Over the past 20 years, she had repeatedly invited IsDO and HAD to Discovery Bay to provide information on building management, formation of OC and integrity but in vain. She was perplexed that even with the existence of a community hall in Discovery Bay, the relevant departments did not arrange staff to give talks on building management issues and promote integrity message. She again urged IsDO to relay to HAD the opinion of organising integrity building management activities and explaining the procedure and way of forming the OC soonest this year.

33. Mr Randy YU thanked ICAC for its anti-corruption effort of over 40 years which helped Hong Kong earn the reputation as a corruption-free city. He noticed that ICAC had set enhancing youth integrity education as its work priority. Its web-based platform got 120 000 post interactions, which should be one of the highest among those of government



departments. However, if compared with other online news and specific incidents reported by other media which easily attracted a hit rate of hundreds of thousand or even over a million, ICAC's online publicity effort still faced a great challenge. With regard to the Youth Corner newly set up by ICAC, he anticipated that the chance of young people actively using the Youth Corner at ICAC was low. He hoped ICAC could devote more resource and time to cross-media publicity to achieve a better result.

34. Ms LEE Kwai-chun thanked ICAC for its endeavour over the past years. She would be glad to co-operate with ICAC in organising district activities to promote integrity message.

35. Ms Brenda SO gave a consolidated response as follows:

- (a) The ICAC was concerned about the grassroots being solicited for bribes when seeking jobs. The Operations Department of the ICAC would continue to bring criminals to justice through law enforcement, whereas the Community Relations Department would further disseminate anti-corruption and probity messages to the grassroots (including new arrivals), reminding them not to bribe and encouraging them to report corruption.
- (b) She thanked Ms Amy YUNG for inviting the ICAC to disseminate information on corruption prevention to the public through different networks and channels. In 2014, upon the invitation of Ms YUNG, an ICAC officer joined a seminar on the Mandatory Window Inspection Scheme in Discovery Bay to explain the anti-corruption laws. On 8 January this year, an ICAC officer also participated in a building management workshop held by IsDO to explain the anti-corruption laws and measures to residents in the district.
- (c) The ICAC has long strived to combat corruption in building management through a multi-pronged approach. On the preventive education front, the ICAC proactively reached out to owners, OCs and building management bodies to promote integrity building management, conduct talks and visits, and attend building management seminars arranged by the District Offices. In 2016, the ICAC reached out to 620 OCs through visits, talks and seminars and briefed about 3 600 people on the relevant legislation. It reached 9 000 counts of people through activities such as booth games and quizzes.
- (d) In addition, the ICAC published three corruption prevention toolkits relating to building management, which provide suggestions on preventing corruption such as probity and anti-collusion clauses. The ICAC also established the Integrity and Quality Building Management Website for the public. The website recorded 350 000 views last year. Moreover, the ICAC handled about 750 building management-related enquiries via its Building Management Enquiry Hotline last year. In the coming, the ICAC would produce a new publicity pamphlet and continue to promote clean building management in partnership with different government departments and organizations.

- (e) On the enforcement front, the Operations Department of the ICAC has maintained an investigation group dedicated to corruption cases in this area. In addition, the Operations Department set up a special task force in April 2015 to handle corruption complaints which might involve bid-rigging. In 2016, a former proprietor of an engineering company was convicted and sentenced to 35 months' imprisonment for having conspired with others to offer over \$40 million in bribes to secure consultancy and renovation contracts through tender rigging. The prosecution achieved a deterrent effect. To tackle bid-rigging, the Operations Department adopted a "double barrel" strategy. Apart from the conventional approach of investigation, evidence gathering, and prosecutions, the ICAC would also, where appropriate, take action, such as collecting evidence and interviewing witness, at the buildings concerned in order to increase the flat owners' awareness, prevent potential corruption and bid-rigging activities, and alert the flat owners to consider replacing the contractor or the consultant, or even reforming the OC when necessary.
- (f) Regarding online publicity, the ICAC had recently collaborated with tertiary students who were ICAC Ambassadors to re-edit an ICAC training video. The derivative work, named "127-sec Dilemma: To Report or Not" used trendy expressions to encourage the public to report corruption and attracted much positive feedback. The ICAC would continue to strengthen its publicity through multi-media platforms.

36. Mr Bill TANG thanked ICAC for the presentation and enquired how the building management issues of other districts could be referred to ICAC for follow-up.

37. Ms Brenda SO said that she would liaise with Mr Bill TANG after the meeting to explain in detail the reporting and enquiry services of ICAC.

38. The Committee endorsed the proposal of the "All for Integrity" Publicity Project for the Islands District 2017/18.

(Mr Bill TANG left the meeting at around 3:40 p.m.)

V. Question on district free entertainment programmes in Discovery Bay  
(Paper CACRC 26/2017)

39. The Chairman welcomed Ms Margaret YUEN, Manager (New Territories South) Marketing & District Activities of LCSD to the meeting to respond to the question.

40. Ms Amy YUNG presented the question.

41. Ms Margaret YUEN said that LCSD had maintained an approved list of arts groups in respect of the district free entertainment programmes. Arts groups which had been established for three years or above were welcome to apply for registering on the list. Applicants might obtain the application form from the Entertainment Office of LCSD and submit the application with the biography of the arts group, programme proposal, budget

and past performances to the Entertainment Office for selection and arrangement of trial performances. After passing two trial performances, the arts group could be registered on the approved list and invited for performance at the venues of the 18 districts (including the district in which the arts group was based) on a rotational basis.

42. Ms Amy YUNG said that the district groups would be well received if they gave a performance in their district. The problem faced by the Islands District was that the arts groups needed to travel a long distance to give a performance. LCSD had earlier failed to conduct activities in Discovery Bay because the vehicles were not allowed to be parked for a long time but the musical instruments were large and heavy and had to be transported by vehicles. As such, she suggested the performance be given by the residents in the district in order to avoid the above problem. She considered that the arts group registration procedure established by LCSD might make things difficult for the groups. She suggested the Department play a co-ordinating role and visit Discovery Bay to assess the quality of local performance groups. The Department should encourage the art groups to give a performance in their districts without fees. She hoped LCSD would proactively consider the suggestion and that complicated criteria and restrictions should be avoided.

(Post-meeting note: LCSD indicated that when organising free entertainment programmes, stage equipment such as the sound and lighting systems were required. Since it was difficult to carry such equipment onto the ferry gangplank due to their bulky size and heavy weight, the Department would normally arrange them to be transported by goods vehicles. However, goods vehicles were prohibited from using the road tunnel towards Discovery Bay after 6:00 p.m., and when the allocated timeslot of the performance venue was not within the transportation service time, the performance time would need to be re-scheduled.)

43. Ms Margaret YUEN appreciated Ms Amy YUNG's concern. As performance fees were involved in the current operation, the Department set up the arts group selection mechanism to ensure that the processing procedure was fair and impartial. The Department was aware that there were professional performance groups and performers in Discovery Bay. Nevertheless, in order to allow more people to enjoy high-standard performances, the arts groups had to perform in the 18 districts on a rotational basis under the existing mechanism which had been approved by ICAC to ensure fairness and impartiality. She hoped Ms YUNG would understand the reason of setting up the system. She would liaise with Ms YUNG after the meeting to obtain information of the arts groups hoping to be registered on the list and pass the information to the Entertainment Office for follow-up.

44. Ms Amy YUNG reiterated that her suggestion did not involve any fees and the performance groups in the district just wanted to give free performance to the community without fees. This also had nothing to do with ICAC. She hoped LCSD would take up a co-ordinating role. While LCSD representative just said that the arts groups would go through a selection process, a choir which performed in a free entertainment performance in Discovery Bay Community Hall in the year before last left people doubting its standard. Given that the standard of arts groups varied greatly and the current system was outdated, she urged the Department to review the mechanism.

45. Ms Margaret YUEN thanked the Members for their opinions and said that she would pass on the opinions to the Entertainment Office for follow-up.

46. Mr LAM Kit-sing indicated that the district free entertainment programmes had been well received by the residents of Islands District and held for many years, giving the Islands District residents the valuable opportunities to enjoy the rotational performances. He enquired whether free sports performances, such as artistic rope skipping and artistic cycling, etc., could be organised in the 18 districts. The sports centres in the Islands District (e.g. Tung Chung, Cheung Chau, Peng Chau and Mui Wo sports centres) offered suitable venues and facilities but the usage rate was relatively low. He hoped the Department could consider holding sports performances.

47. Mr WONG Wing-kin noted the opinions and said that he would relay to the responsible colleagues.

48. Ms LEE Kwai-chun said that the arrangement of district fee entertainment programmes had been adopted for years, which provided valuable opportunity for different arts groups to give performance in various districts and exchange experience.

49. The Chairman said that Ms Amy YUNG hoped LCSD would pay attention to the quality of arts groups. She asked LCSD representative to pass on the opinions of Members to the relevant staff for follow-up.

VI. Question on the safety of automated external defibrillators  
(Paper CACRC 27/2017)

50. The Chairman indicated that LCSD had provided a written reply for Members' perusal.

51. Ms Amy YUNG presented the question and said that the purpose of inviting LCSD representatives to attend the meeting was to enhance communication and look into the problem. She did not accept the written reply and reckoned that written replies and correspondences could not substitute for the meeting. She expressed regret that the Department only provided a written reply and did not attend the meeting to respond to the question. She made a reprimand on it.

VII. Islands District Office Community Service Partnership Programme  
(Paper CACRC 29/2017)

52. The Chairman welcomed Mr YAU San-ping, Peter, Senior Executive Officer (District Management) of IsDO to the meeting to present the paper.

53. Mr Peter YAU presented the paper.

54. Members noted and endorsed the above programme.

## VIII. Reports by Working Groups

### (i) CACRC Vetting Group

55. The Chairman said that the Vetting Group had processed 31 funding applications for Community Involvement Projects (including four Dragon Boat Festival activities) to be held from June to August this year at the meetings on 3 and 26 April this year. The proposals had been endorsed by the Committee by circulation of paper.

56. The Vetting Group received one activity evaluation report with no negative comment.

### (ii) CACRC Activities Working Group

#### (a) Funding Scheme for Women's Development 2016-17

- The activities organised by the Young Men's Christian Association of Hong Kong Tung Chung Centre and the Neighbourhood Advice-Action Council Tung Chung Integrated Services Centre were completed in January this year with a total expenditure of \$49,398.2.

#### (b) Funding Scheme for Age-Friendly Community 2016-17

- The activities organised by the Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Tung Chung Integrated Services and the Neighbourhood Advice-Action Council Tung Chung Integrated Services Centre were completed in January this year with a total expenditure of \$51,493.6.

#### (c) Committee on the Promotion of Civic Education's Co-operation Scheme with District Councils 2017-18

- The Working Group submitted to the Committee on the Promotion of Civic Education the funding applications of four organisations recommended in the Islands District, including the Cheung Chau Rural Committee Integrated Youth Centre, Tung Chung Youth Association, Tung Chung Safe and Healthy City (Community Services) Foundation Limited and the Hong Kong Young Women's Christian Association Tai O Community Work Office, and was awaiting the vetting result. The Working Group would report to the Committee when further information was available.

#### (d) Funding Scheme for Women's Development 2017-18

- A funding of \$53,000 was granted by the Women's Commission under the above scheme to each District Council this year to subsidise women's activities at the district level. The theme for this year was "promoting women employment". The Working Group had written to the women groups and non-profit-making organisations in the district to invite them to submit activity proposals for implementation in collaboration with the Working Group.

#### (e) Islands District Cultural Festival 2017-18

- At its meeting on 28 April, the Working Group proposed to organise the Islands District Cultural Festival 2017-18 during August 2017 to February 2018, including (a) Islands District Presents: Golden Oldies Concert in Celebration of the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Establishment of the HKSAR; (b) Islands District Cantonese Opera Show in Celebration of the 68<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Founding of the People's Republic of China; and (c) Show Time! Islands District Youth Talent Show, to promote arts and music culture at the district level and strengthen the residents' sense of belonging to the community. The Working Group would submit activity proposal to the District Council.

57. Members noted and endorsed the reports of the two working groups.

## IX. Reports on the work of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department in Islands District

### (i) Cultural Activities (Paper CACRC 20/2017)

58. The Chairman welcomed Ms Margaret YUEN, Manager (New Territories South) Marketing & District Activities of LCSD to the meeting to present the paper.

59. Ms Margaret YUEN presented the paper and supplemented the attendances for the free entertainment programmes at Annex II as follows:

| Date     | Programme Title                                                    | Attendance |
|----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| 14 April | Magic Show – The String Lovers Music Company of H.K.               | 80         |
| 29 April | Chinese Traditional Puppet Show – Kam Wing Sing Hong Kong Puppetry | 210        |

60. Members noted the contents of the paper.

### (ii) Extension Activities held in Public Libraries (Paper CACRC 21/2017)

61. The Chairman welcomed Ms KWOK Lai-kuen, Elaine, Senior Librarian (Islands) of LCSD to the meeting to present the paper.

62. Ms Elaine KWOK presented the paper.

63. Members noted the contents of the paper.

### (iii) Sports and Recreational Activities (Paper CACRC 22/2017)

64. The Chairman welcomed Mr WONG Wing-kin, Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) Islands of LCSD to the meeting to present the paper.

65. Mr WONG Wing-kin presented the paper.

66. Members noted the contents of the paper.

X. Any Other Business

(i) The 6<sup>th</sup> Hong Kong Games

67. The Chairman welcomed Mr WONG Wing-kin, Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) Islands of LCSD to the meeting to give a briefing.

68. Mr WONG Wing-kin said that the Islands District Pledging Ceremony and the Opening Ceremony of the 6<sup>th</sup> Hong Kong Games were held on 4 March and 23 April this year respectively, and the Closing Ceremony would be held at 2:30 p.m. on 28 May at the Kowloon Park Sports Centre.

(ii) Public Education Activities on Rehabilitation 2017-18

69. The Chairman said that the Labour and Welfare Bureau would continue to allocate \$53,000 to each district this year to subsidise public education activities on rehabilitation in the 18 districts in Hong Kong as well as the activities in celebration of the 2017 International Day of Disabled Persons. She suggested the Islands District International Day of Disabled Persons Working Group continue to follow up matters concerning utilisation of the relevant fund for holding activities.

70. The Committee endorsed the above proposal.

(iii) Funding Scheme for Women's Development 2017-18

71. The Chairman said that the Women's Commission would continue to allocate \$53,000 to each district this year to subsidise the implementation of the Funding Scheme for Women's Development in the 18 districts in Hong Kong to organise activities conducive to women's development. She suggested the Working Group continue to implement the scheme.

72. The Committee endorsed the above proposal.

73. Ms Amy YUNG indicated that regarding the question on entertainment programmes discussed earlier under agenda item V, LCSD could contact her by phone in advance for further details to dispel the misunderstanding that she requested LCSD to subsidise the performance of Discovery Bay residents. She raised the question and made the suggestion following the Department's failure in conducting an activity in Discovery Bay recently as the vehicles were not allowed to be parked for a long time. The Department was welcome to contact her by phone at any time for any questions so as to avoid embarrassment and the situation in which it was unable to respond appropriately.

XI. Date of Next Meeting

74. The meeting adjourned at 4:03 p.m. The date of next meeting was scheduled for 2:00 p.m. on 3 July 2017 (Monday).

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