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Islands District Council Minutes of Meeting of the

Community Affairs, Culture and Recreation Committee

Date: 4 July 2016 (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 YUNG Chi-ming, BBS

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

Mr KWOK Ping, Eric

Mr WONG Hoi-yu

Ms KWOK Wai-man, Mealoha

Ms KWOK Ka-ying

Attendance by Invitation

Mrs CHAN NG Ting-ting, Elina Principal Assistant Secretary (Infrastructure & Research

Support), Education Bureau

Miss YU Hee-wah, Shirley Assistant Secretary (Infrastructure)2, Education Bureau

Ms WONG Chi-wai, Theresa Senior Inspector (Special Education Support 1)2,

Education Bureau

Mrs CHING WOO Wai-ling, Alice

Senior Project Manager 130, Architectural Services Department

Mr MOK Hei-lun, Allen Project Manager 156, Architectural Services Department

Mr CHAN Cho-sing, Joel Director, P&T Group

Ms LAW Wai-ming, Vivian Senior Associate, P&T Group

Mr CHAN Ka-lap Assistant General Secretary (Education), Hong Chi Association

Mr LAM Zue-yuen Principal, Hong Chi Pinehill No.2 School

Mr CHEW Tze-shing Senior Telecommunications Engineer (Broadcasting Support),

Office of the Communications Authority

Mr TANG Kai-lim, Alex Telecommunications Engineer (Broadcasting Support)3,

Office of the Communications Authority

In Attendance

Mr NGAI Ka-sing, Anthony Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) Islands,

Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Mr HAU Wing-man, Raymond Deputy District Leisure Manager (Islands)1,

Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Ms LEE Kit-yee, Kitty Senior Manager (New Territories South) Promotion,

Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Ms KWOK Lai-kuen, Elaine Senior Librarian (Islands),

Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Mr WATT Wai-yeung, Edwin Senior Community Relations Officer (Hong Kong West /

Islands), Independent Commission Against Corruption

Ms LUI Man-wai Senior School Development Offcer (Islands)1,

Education Bureau

Mr CHU Kam-sing, Daniel Assistant District Social Welfare Officer (Central

Western/Southern & Islands)2, Social Welfare Department

Mr CHOW Chit, Joe Assistant District Officer (Islands)2, Islands District Office Ms CHOI Kwok-por Representative, Hong Kong Islands Cultural & Art Association

Secretary

Ms WONG Tan-lam, Connie Executive Officer (Distict Council)1, Islands District Office

Absent with Apologies

Mr WONG Hon-kuen, Ken Ms FU Hiu-lam Sammi

Mr LAI Tsz-man Mr LEE Chi-ngan

Ms YUEN Wai-kwan Representative, Association of School Heads of Islands District

Mr LAM Kit-sing Representative, Islands District Sports Association

Welcoming remarks

<u>The Chairman</u> welcomed representatives from government departments and organisations as well as Members to the meeting.

2. Members noted that Mr Ken WONG, Ms Sammi FU, Mr LAI Tsz-man, Mr LEE Chi-ngan, Mr LAM Kit-sing, representative of Islands District Sports Association and Ms YUEN Wai-kwan, representative of Association of School Heads of Islands District were unable to attend the meeting due to other commitments.

I. <u>Confirmation of the Minutes of Meeting Held on 9.5.2016</u>

- 3. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the minutes had been distributed to Members for perusal before the meeting.
- 4. The captioned minutes were confirmed unanimously without amendments.
- II. A special school for students with mild, moderate and severe intellectual disabilities in Area 108, Tung Chung
 (Paper CACRC 31/2016)
 - 5. <u>The Chairman</u> welcomed Mrs CHAN NG Ting-ting, Elina, Principal Assistant Secretary (Infrastructure & Research Support), Ms YU Hee-wah, Shirley, Assistant Secretary (Infrastructure) and Ms WONG Chi-wai, Theresa, Senior Inspector (Special Education Support 1) of Education Bureau (EDB), Mrs CHING WOO Wai-ling, Alice, Senior Project Manager and Mr MOK Hei-lun, Allen, Project Manager of Architectural Services Department (ArchSD), Mr CHAN Cho-sing, Joel, Director and Ms LAW Wai-ming, Vivian, Senior Associate of P&T Group, Mr CHAN Ka-lap, Assistant General Secretary (Education) of Hong Chi Association as well as Mr LAM Zue-yuen, Principal of Hong Chi Pinehill No.2 School to the meeting to present the paper.
 - 6. <u>Mrs Elina CHAN</u> introduced the background of the school construction project with the aid of PowerPoint presentation, followed by a presentation by Ms

<u>Theresa WONG</u> on the provision of educational services for children with intellectual disabilities in Hong Kong. Next, <u>Mr CHAN Ka-lap</u> gave a brief introduction of the special schools operated by the Hong Chi Association and <u>Mr CHAN Cho-sing</u>, <u>Joel</u> briefed Members on the arrangements of the school construction works. Finally, a presentation was given by <u>Mrs Alice CHING</u> on the implementation schedule of the works project.

7. Mr FAN Chi-ping supported the construction of the special school, but was dissatisfied that EDB had not consulted the Tung Chung Rural Committee prior to submitting the Paper to the Committee for discussion. In view of this, he opined that EDB should explain the implementation details, the impact on nearby residents during construction and the safety measures in the works site, etc. to the Tung Chung Rural Committee.

8. <u>Mr Bill TANG</u> raised the following views and enquiries :

- (a) He expressed support for the school construction project, and urged EDB and ArchSD to maintain close liaison with the Tung Chung Rural Committee. He hoped that EDB, during the transitional period of enrolling students to the new special school, would listen to the views of local residents on matters such as the parking location of school buses.
- (b) He said that the parents of children with intellectual disabilities were concerned about the arrangements for their children attending the new school.
- (c) He suggested that EDB and the school sponsoring body consider making the school facilities available to the members of the public, and also formulate the relevant administrative procedures and management practice to promote harmony and inclusion in the community.

9. Mr Eric KWOK raised the following views and enquiries:

(a) He was in favour of the construction of the special school and reflected that there was a keen demand for special school places in the district from parents with children with intellectual disabilities. He agreed with Mr FAN

Chi-ping that maintaining close liaison with various stakeholders was very important.

- (b) He asked Hong Chi Association if it had made contact with the Housing Department (HD) for promoting the school to the residents during the intake of the public rental housing units in Tung Chung Area 39, and whether promotional activities would be conducted in other parts of Lantau as well.
- (c) He was concerned that with two other schools and the public housing estate in the vicinity, the traffic on Chung Mun Road would be heavier, and enquired whether EDB would consider devising relevant measures accordingly.

10. <u>Mrs Elina CHAN</u> gave a consolidated response as follows:

- (a) Since the confirmation of construction of the special school in Tung Chung Area 108 in 2013, EDB had reported the construction progress to Islands District Council (IDC) and the committee at the meetings for numerous times. She stressed that EDB attached great importance to the views of the stakeholders, and would be glad to maintain close communication with the Tung Chung Rural Committee in relation to the project.
- (b) With reference to the work progress, EDB had arranged parallel tendering before seeking funding approval from the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council (LegCo). It was hoped that the funding application would be approved by early 2017 and then the contracts could be awarded as soon as possible to commence the project.
- (c) With regard to the social inclusion of children with intellectual disabilities, the Hong Chi Association would be glad to render the school's facilities available for public use outside school hours and when school functions were not being held. Furthermore, Hong Chi Association was willing to enhance the local community's understanding of students with intellectual disabilities through various activities, as well as providing advice and support to schools and institutions in the district regarding the care for students with special educational needs. In addition, Hong Chi Association

would proactively encourage its students to participate in local community service in order to bridge the social divide and break down barriers.

11. <u>Mr Joel CHAN</u> gave a consolidated response as follows:

- (a) The school would be a three-storey building. Besides considering the issues of wheelchair access and security within the campus, a three-storey building would require a less sophisticated foundation and a smaller-scale excavation which would shorten the construction time. In addition, he cited the example of using precast units for some of the works components so as to reduce the impact on nearby residents and the environment. P&T Group was prepared to explain the detailed arrangements for the school project to stakeholders.
- (b) The school design had taken the school buses' parking arrangements into consideration, where they would be parked at designated area inside the school. The designated area would be able to accommodate up to 3 school buses, there would also be sufficient room for the school buses to turn around and students travelling on private cars and taxis to be picked up and dropped off inside the campus. He expected that the opening of the school would have no significant impact on the traffic on Chung Mun Road.
- Ms Theresa WONG said if the proposed special school could commence operation in the 2019/20 school year, EDB would, from 2018 to 2019, start to contact parents residing in the Islands District and with children attending schools for children with intellectual disability in other districts. Moreover, the decision on arranging their children to attend the new school in Tung Chung will be sought. Basically special schools admit children throughout the year, thus the parents could make their decisions after due consideration. Through the special child care centre at Tung Chung, the parents would also be informed about the special school to be built in the district so that they could arrange their children to enrol.
- 13. <u>Mr KWONG Koon-wan</u> expressed support for the construction of a special school in Tung Chung and raised the following views and enquiries:
 - (a) As the construction of the special school was an important project in the

district, EDB should have taken the initiative to conduct local consultations, including explaining the details and seeking the opinions from the Tung Chung Rural Committee, the residents and the respective DC Members and also discussing the project at IDC meetings. He hoped the Islands District Office (IsDO) could remind EDB to improve communication with the district in relation to this project after the meeting.

- (b) With reference to whether EDB had informed the Parent-Teacher Associations and the parents of the two adjacent schools regarding the construction of the special school, he urged EDB to strengthen communication at the district level so as to avoid misunderstanding among stakeholders.
- 14. <u>Mr Bill TANG</u> expressed that some residents of Yat Tung Estate questioned the arrangement for assigning fixed parking spaces for the special school buses and urged EDB to try and grasp the situation in the district quickly, ensure the safety of children with intellectual disabilities of the new school and co-ordinate the views of local residents and other schools. On a separate note, he enquired about the estimated construction cost of the school project.
- 15. Mr Holden CHOW suggested the Government should make reference to overseas practices which would enable it to respond to public demands during local consultation with an aim to achieving a win-win outcome in the implementation of the project. He also recommended that EDB should, in its funding application to LegCo, briefly introduce Hong Chi Association's proposed Community Inclusion Programme which actively encouraged its students to participate in community service.
- 16. Mr FAN Chi-ping enquired about the expected noise level during the construction period and the security arrangements of the school dormitory in the evenings, and whether the Government would consider rescinding the prohibited zone on Chung Mun Road. He hoped EDB would provide the project details to the Tung Chung Rural Committee as soon as possible.
- 17. <u>Mr Eric KWOK</u> enquired whether Hong Chi Association would cooperate with HD to step up promotion of the special school to the public housing residents in Area 39. In addition, he enquired if Hong Chi Association would provide bus services

to the students living in South Lantau, and whether government departments would consider providing relevant assistance.

- 18. <u>Ms Josephine TSANG</u> expressed support for the school project and concurred with Mr FAN that government departments should maintain close liaison with the stakeholders in the district. She enquired about the planned admission number and whether the school would give priority to the children with intellectual disabilities in the district when allocating dormitory places.
- 19. <u>Mr KWONG Koon-wan</u> suggested that EDB should liaise with the Tung Chung Rural Committee after the meeting as early as possible.
- 20. Mrs Elina CHAN remarked that EDB had consulted the relevant Rural Committee on the school's original site in Tung Chung Area 27 since early 2008. Subsequently in 2013, EDB confirmed the construction of the special school in Tung Chung Area 108. Upon changing the use of the site in Area 108 for special school use, EDB had attended IDC and committees meetings on numerous occasions to brief Members on the progress of the school project. She reiterated that EDB understood the importance of maintaining communication with stakeholders, and would be glad to elaborate on the project details and listen to the views of Members and the Rural Committee. She hoped that Members would support this project.

21. Mr CHAN Ka-lap gave a consolidated response as follows:

- (a) Hong Chi Association was operating special schools in several public housing estates and always encouraged its schools and students with intellectual disabilities to integrate into the community. Therefore, upon confirmation of the school project, Hong Chi Association would be pleased to get in touch and communicate with the neighbouring schools, the local community and government departments concerned to achieve social inclusion. Furthermore, he reckoned that special schools had the responsibility to contribute to the community and supported Members' suggestions of opening up the school's facilities for public use during holidays.
- (b) Regarding school bus arrangements, the new special school was estimated

to enrol about 200 students, about 140 of which were expected to use school buses. It was believed the school buses would not run too frequently. As for security of the hostel, the 60 boarders would stay in the hostel in evenings.

- 22. Mr KWONG Koon-wan enquired whether EDB had liaised and consulted the two neighbouring schools on the school project. He understood that EDB had appeared in IDC and committees meetings on numerous occasions to brief Members on the progress of the school project, yet since there were changes in the membership composition in the current-term IDC and the respective Rural Committee, he hoped EDB could give a briefing to the Tung Chung Rural Committee as soon as possible.
- 23. Mr Randy YU supported the construction of the special school in Tung Chung by Hong Chi Association. He concurred with Mr KWONG Koon-wan and hoped that EDB could explain the details of the project to the Rural Committee and residents as soon as possible, preferably within two weeks.
- Mrs Elina CHAN said EDB respected relevant stakeholders and would be ready to be in touch with them and maintain close liaison as soon as possible after the meeting. She hoped that Members would support this project. In addition, as the details of the school project had yet to be finalised, EDB was not able to provide the cost estimates for the time being.
- 25. <u>The Chairman</u> asked EDB to liaise with the local Rural Committee to collect the views of the residents on the details of the project and to take into consideration Members' suggestions.
- 26. The Committee supported the abovementioned project.

(Mr Bill TANG left the meeting at around 3:00 p.m.)

(Post-meeting note: EDB had liaised with the Principals of the two existing schools in Tung Chung Area 108 in the vicinity of the special school and both schools expressed support for the school project. Moreover, on 31 July 2016, EDB, ArchSD, Hong Chi Association and the consultancy company briefed the Tung Chung Rural Committee

on the school project, for which the Committee expressed support.)

- III. Question on provision of parent and child toilet in Cheung Chau Sports Centre (Paper CACRC 33/2016)
 - 27. <u>The Chairman</u> welcomed Mr NGAI Ka-sing Anthony, Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) Islands of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) to the meeting to present the paper.
 - 28. <u>Mr KWONG Koon-wan</u> presented the question.
 - 29. <u>Mr Anthony NGAI</u> responded as follows:
 - (a) LCSD and ArchSD had earlier dispatched staff to inspect the Cheung Chau Sports Centre. ArchSD then made the recommendation of converting 2 of the water closet cubicles in the ladies' room into a parent and child toilet with the provision of an adult-size pedestal toilet and a small toilet for children. If the aforementioned alteration work was to be carried out, the number of cubicles in the ladies' room would be reduced.
 - (b) Taking into consideration that long queues were formed outside the ladies' room whenever large-scale events were being held in the sports centre, he proposed instead the procurement of child toilet seats which members of the public could borrow from the staff when necessary.
 - 30. Mr KWONG Koon-wan regarded both proposals of LCSD as feasible. In view of the fact that children were mostly accompanied by their mothers when using the ladies' room, he supported the option of converting one of the cubicles into a parent child toilet provided that resources permitted and there was sufficient space.
 - 31. <u>Ms LEE Kwai-chun</u> supported the procurement of child toilet seats to address the needs of the public, but had reservations about the conversion proposal.

- 32. <u>Mr Anthony NGAI</u> added that child toilet seats were a removable device for the convenience of women with young children. He suggested using the child toilet seats on a trial basis for subsequent review after public feedback was collected.
- 33. Mr KWONG Koon-wan had no objection to the pilot trial. In his opinion, a parent and child toilet could provide a separate place for women to breastfeed besides allowing children to use the toilet with the adults.
- Ms LEE Kwai-chun considered the environment of the toilet unsuitable for breast-feeding, and suggested that the Department identify somewhere appropriate inside the sports centre for provision of the babycare room. Moreover, she cited the major shopping centres as an example in recommending the Department to consider installing additional facilities for temporary placement of infants inside the female toilet cubicles.
- 35. <u>The Chairman</u> suggested LCSD and Members conduct a site visit for follow-up action.

(Post-meeting note: Baby changing pads were installed in the female toilet cubicles at the Cheung Chau Sports Centre at the end of July of the current year.)

IV. Question on digital TV reception in Peng Chau (Paper CACRC 34/2016)

- 36. <u>The Chairman</u> welcomed Mr CHEW Tze-shing, Senior Telecommunications Engineer (Broadcasting Support) and Mr Alex TANG, Telecommunications Engineer (Broadcasting Support) 3 of the Office of the Communications Authority (OFCA) to the meeting to respond to the question.
- 37. Mr Ken WONG was absent due to other commitments. Vice-Chairman Ms Josephine TSANG stood in for him to present the question.
- 38. Mr CHEW Tze-shing responded as follows:

- (a) During the period between July 2014 and June 2016, OFCA received a total of 32 cases concerning Digital Terrestrial Television (DTT) reception problems in Peng Chau, of which 8 later resumed normal and follow-up actions of OFCA were not required.
- (b) During the aforesaid period, OFCA repeatedly dispatched staff to Peng Chau to conduct field measurement of DTT signals and followed up with the enquirers in person. Two cases involving interference were resolved. In the remaining 22 cases, OFCA's staff provided technical advice to the enquirers on the spot to improve their television reception. Apart from a few cases in which poor reception was due to the topography of the locations, the enquirers of most of the cases were able to watch DTT programs after tuning their DTT receivers to the correct frequency channels, installing TV antenna amplifiers, adjusting the orientation of the antenna and connecting the television signal cables properly.
- (c) Peng Chau residents who encountered DTT reception problems could contact OFCA direct or through Members. OFCA would be happy to provide technical advice and, where necessary, visit Peng Chau to conduct field measurement of DTT signals.
- Mr CHAN Lin-wai expressed that Lamma Island residents also encountered the problem of poor DTT reception. He commented that since the information and entertainment provided by television was important to the public, the Government had the responsibility to ensure that Hong Kong residents could successfully receive DTT signals in order to connect with the world. On multiple occasions, he had acted on behalf of Lamma Island residents to make enquiries of and refer complaints to OFCA, yet the Authority kept giving similar responses without addressing the problem. Therefore, he urged the Government to follow up and proactively locate the reception blind spots to allow residents to enjoy free TV entertainment.
- 40. <u>Vice-Chairman Ms Josephine TSANG</u> thanked OFCA for following up on the aforementioned complaints. With reference to the complaints about poor reception due to topographic constraints, the affected residents had exhausted all measures proposed by OFCA, yet still failed to receive DTT signals successfully. She

remarked that watching television was the only form of entertainment for most of the elderly in Peng Chau, and enquired whether OFCA could offer any other solutions.

- 41. Mr Holden CHOW said that earlier on, he had teamed up with Ms YU Laifan and Ms Lee Kwai-Chun to convey to the departments concerned the strong demand for broadband services in the Islands District. The internet speed was slow in the district hampering the online learning of school children. He regarded broadband services as a basic livelihood utility and urged the Government to lay the broadband network in remote areas so that the residents would have the same broadband access as the people in urban areas.
- 42. <u>The Chairman</u> said that as the discussion on fixed-line broadband services was not related to this agenda item, OFCA would be asked to follow up on Members' proposals after the meeting.
- 43. <u>Mr Eric KWOK</u> expressed that the radio broadcasting signals were interfered by the broadcasting signals from the Mainland in certain parts of the Islands District and asked OFCA how it would solve the problem.

44. <u>Mr CHEW Tze-shing</u> responded as follows:

(a) OFCA had repeatedly dispatched staff to follow up on the complaints of poor DTT reception in Lamma Island and provide technical advice about improving the reception. He requested Members to refer the complaints to OFCA for assistance, or to ask the affected residents to contact OFCA direct so it could dispatch staff for follow-up and conducting field measurement of DTT signals. Regarding the cases of poor DTT reception by some Peng Chau residents due to topographic constraints, OFCA would continue to explore solutions.

(Post-meeting note: OFCA had scheduled a visit to Peng Chau in late

August to follow up on cases of poor DTT reception.)

(b) Concerning the views on fixed-line broadband services, he would convey them to the relevant section of OFCA to follow up.

(Post-meeting note: The relevant views had been conveyed to the section concerned of OFCA for follow-up.)

- (c) As for suspected interference of the radio broadcasting signals, from the past experience, it could be related to the audience failing to tune their radio sets to the correct frequency. OFCA would be willing to dispatch staff to assist the public re-tune their radio sets to the appropriate frequencies to resolve the problem.
- 45. Mr Randy YU was pleased that OFCA was willing to dispatch staff to the Islands District to follow up on cases in need of assistance, including visiting multiple locations in South Lantau to investigate the mobile service coverage. He suggested a standing communication channel be set up between OFCA and the Islands District.
- 46. <u>Ms LEE Kwai-chun</u> said that recently the issue of poor DTT signal reception also surfaced in Cheung Chau North and urged OFCA to follow up.
- 47. <u>Mr CHEW Tze-shing</u> asked Members to provide the details of the relevant cases to OFCA so that it could dispatch staff to follow up.
- V. Question on consultation service of general out-patient clinics on Sundays and Public Holidays

(Paper CACRC 35/2016)

- 48. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the Hospital Authority (HA) could not arrange a representative to attend the meeting but had provided a written reply for perusal by Members.
- 49. <u>Ms Amy YUNG</u> presented the question, and expressed regret over the absence of the HA representative to give responses at the meeting. She said that the written reply from HA failed to provide the data she requested and hoped the Secretariat could follow up.

(Post-meeting note: HA expressed regret of being unable to send a representative to the meeting. As it had made a written reply to Ms YUNG, no

further information could be provided at this point.)

VI. The 6th Hong Kong Games

(Paper CACRC 32/2016)

- 50. <u>The Chairman</u> welcomed Mr NGAI Ka-sing Anthony, Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) Islands of LCSD to the meeting to present the paper.
- 51. <u>Mr Anthony NGAI</u> presented the paper.
- 52. Mr KWONG Koon-wan was of the view that all or most athletes of the Islands District delegation must either reside, study or work in the Islands District to join and form a delegation that could truly represent the Islands District.
- 53. <u>The Chairman</u> urged Members to consider the suggestions on the composition of the Islands District delegation and selection of athletes.
- 54. The Committee endorsed the suggestions set out in the Paper.

VII. Reports by Working Groups

(i) CACRC Vetting Group

- 55. The Chairman said that the Vetting Group had processed 64 funding applications for Community Involvement Projects to be held from September to October this year at the meeting on 29 June. The funding proposals would be submitted to the Committee by circulation of paper for consideration and endorsement.
- 56. With reference to the "Occupational Health and Safety Promotion Campaign 2016", the Vetting Group had received 2 activity proposals from local organisations and recommended the funding applications of Cheung Chau Island Women's Association Ltd. and Heaven Earth Mankind Martial Arts Dance Wellbeing

Association to the Occupational Safety and Health Council for consideration.

- 57. <u>Ms LEE Kwai-chun</u> declared her interests as a member of the Cheung Chau Island Women's Association Ltd.
- 58. The Vetting Group received a total of 8 activity evaluation reports, none of which contained negative comments.

(ii) CACRC Activities Working Group

(a) Co-operation Scheme with District Councils 2016-17

- The Working Group was notified by the Committee on the Promotion of Civic Education that the funding applications by 3 non-governmental organisations had been approved with details as follows:
 - \$49,000 was allocated to Cheung Chau Rural Committee Integrated Youth Centre;
 - \$76,250 was allocated to Islands Community Foundation Association; and
 - \$ 71,663 was allocated to Hong Kong Young Women's Christian Association Tai O Community Work Office.

(b) Funding Scheme for Women's Development 2016

• The Working Group had written to invite 16 non-profit organisations in the district to submit activity proposals and received two proposals by the deadline. After deliberation, the Working Group recommended YMCA of Hong Kong Tung Chung Centre and Neighbourhood Advisory Council Tung Chung Integrated Services Centre for the implementation of women's development programmes in the district.

(c) Funding Scheme for Age-friendly Community 2016

• The Working Group had written to invite 13 social welfare organisations in the district to submit activity proposals and received two proposals by the deadline. After deliberation, the Working Group recommended HKSKH Tung Chung Integrated Services and Neighbourhood Advisory Council Tung Chung Integrated Services Centre for the implementation of programmes to promote the development of an age-friendly community in the district.

(d) <u>Islands District Cultural Festival</u>

- "Love Music Islands District Youth Music Concert" would be held at the Hong Kong Jockey Club Performing Arts Theatre at the Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts on 15 July this year with a total of eight schools and organisations participating. After assessment, the Working Group decided to entrust Television Broadcasting Limited to organise the event.
- "Islands District Oldies Concert In the Celebration of the National Day" would be held at the Hong Kong Jockey Club Performing Arts Theatre at the Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts on 28 and 29 October this year.
- The Working Group did not recommend the inclusion of the "Dance Competition - The 13th Dance on Islands" into this year's Islands District Cultural Festival programme.
- 59. Members endorsed the reports of the two working groups mentioned above.

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

(i) Cultural Activities

(Paper CACRC 28/2016)

- 60. <u>The Chairman</u> welcomed Ms Kitty LEE, Senior Manager (New Territories South) Promotion of LCSD to the meeting to present the paper.
- 61. <u>Ms Kitty LEE</u> presented the paper and supplemented the data about attendances and details of the free entertainment programmes at Annex II:

Date	Programmes	Attendance (No.)
12 June	Magic Variety Show – Variety Magic Company	Cancelled due to rain
3 July	Traditional Chinese Puppet Show –Sky Bird	70

Puppet Group	

- 62. Members noted the paper.
- (ii) Extension Activities held in Public Libraries (Paper CACRC 29/2016)
- 63. <u>The Chairman</u> welcomed Ms Elaine KWOK, Senior Librarian (Islands) of LCSD to the meeting to present the paper.
- 64. <u>Ms Elaine KWOK</u> presented the paper.
- 65. Members noted the paper.
- (iii) Sports and Recreational Activities
 (Paper CACRC 30/2016)
- 66. <u>The Chairman</u> welcomed Mr Raymond HAU, Deputy District Leisure Manager (Islands) of LCSD to the meeting to present the paper.
- 67. <u>Mr Raymond HAU</u> presented the paper.
 - (a) Mr Anthony NGAI added that "Sport For All Day 2016" would be held on the afternoon of 7 August of the current year. Free recreational activities including health talks, sports demonstrations, 3 on 3 basketball competitions and football demonstrations would be held at the Tung Chung Man Tung Road Sports Centre, and the public could sign up for admission starting from the morning of 18 July. Moreover, the recreational and sports facilities of LCSD would be open to the public for free on August 7, and the public could book such facilities starting from 31 July.
- 68. In relation to Event Item Nos. 33 "R & S Programme for Youth at Risk co-organised with a district organisation-Recreation and Sports Fun Day" and 34 "R & S Programme for Persons with Disabilities (Visually Impaired Persons) co-organised with an organisation-Archery Fun Day" at Annex 1, Ms Amy YUNG enquired if LCSD would consider changing the names of the two activities to avoid

labelling effects on the participants.

- 69. <u>Mr Anthony NGAI</u> replied that both activities were named "Fun Day" and the names of the activities shown at Annex I only served to inform Members the activities' target groups.
- Ms LEE Kwai-chun noted that the application submission rate and the attendance rate of the Elderly Fitness Training Course of Item No. 5 at Annex II were 67% and 73% respectively, while she understood similar activities held at other periods had almost 100% attendance. She wanted to know the reason for the poor attendance of the above training course.
- Mr Raymond HAU remarked that the Elderly Fitness Training Courses held at Cheung Chau Sports Centre had always been well received by the senior citizens in the district. However, the monthly application submission rates and the attendance rates might vary. LCSD would conduct questionnaire surveys from time to time to collect feedback from the course participants.
- 72. <u>Vice-Chairman Ms Josephine TSANG</u> suggested that LCSD should let the public use the recreational facilities at Peng Chau Sports Centre free-of-charge during non-peak hours every week.
- 73. <u>Ms Amy YUNG</u> noted that the Aerobic Dance Training Courses in Item Nos. 10 to 12 at Annex II had a low application submission rate yet recorded full attendance. She asked if the public could sign up at anytime for the courses.

74. Mr Raymond HAU gave a consolidated reply as follow:

- (a) Currently, LCSD organised free activities for the elderly at non-peak hours at the Peng Chau Sports Centre, with the remaining period for individuals to make bookings for badminton courts and table tennis room. LCSD would explore the feasibility of organising fun days at the Sports Centre during the off-peak hours.
- (b) Concerning the attendance rate of the Aerobic Dance Training Courses, although they had a low application submission rate, if there was quota

available after the ballot, LCSD would accept public application on a first-come-first-served basis. Therefore, the relevant data reflected that some participants signed up after the balloting.

75. Members noted the paper.

IX. Any Other Business

76. The Committee extended congratulations to Mr LAI Tsz-man and Ms Mealoha KWOK on the award of the Medal of Honour and Chief Executive's Commendations for Government/Public Services respectively.

X. <u>Date of Next Meeting</u>

77. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m. The next meeting would be held at 2:00 p.m. on 6 September 2016 (Monday).

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