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Minutes of Meeting of Islands District Council

Date : 13 September 2016 (Tuesday)

Time : 2:00 p.m.

Venue : Islands District Council Conference Room,

14/F, Harbour Building, 38 Pier Road, Central, Hong Kong.

Present

Chairman

Mr CHOW Yuk-tong, BBS

Vice-Chairman

Mr YU Hon-kwan, Randy, JP

Members

Mr YUNG Chi-ming, BBS

Mr CHAN Lin-wai

Mr CHEUNG Fu

Mr WONG Hon-kuen, Ken

Mr FAN Chi-ping

Mr LOU Cheuk-wing

Mr WONG Man-hon

Ms YU Lai-fan

Ms LEE Kwai-chun

Ms YUNG Wing-sheung, Amy

Mr TANG Ka-piu, Bill, JP

Mr KWONG Koon-wan

Mr CHOW Ho-ding, Holden

Ms TSANG Sau-ho, Josephine

Mr KWOK Ping, Eric

Ms FU Hiu-lam, Sammi

Attendance by Invitation

Mr CHAN Chi-kwong Engineer/Consultants Management,

Drainage Services Department

Mr LEE Kim-fai Senior Health Inspector (Cleansing /Pest Control),

Food and Environment Hygiene Department

Mr YIP Shing-lam Senior Architect, Housing Department

Mr WONG Wah

Mr Kevin LI

Mr Jeff POON

Administrative Consultant, New Lantao Bus
Public Affairs Manager, Citybus Limited
Assistant Manager (Traffic Operations),

Long Win Bus Co. Limited

In Attendance

Mr LI Ping-wai, Anthony, JP District Officer (Islands), Islands District Office

Ms CHONG Yan-yee, Belinda Assistant District Officer (Islands)1, Islands District Office Mr CHOW Chit, Joe Assistant District Officer (Islands)2, Islands District Office

Ms HUI Yuen-mei, May

Senior Liaison Officer (1), Islands District Office

Ms CHAN Hing-kwan, Patty

Senior Liaison Officer (2), Islands District Office

Mr LO Kwok-chung, David Chief Engineer/Islands,

Civil Engineering and Development Department

Ms TAM Yin-ping, Donna District Planning Officer (Sai Kung and Islands),

Planning Department

Mr LI Kin-nga, Denis District Lands Officer (Islands), Lands Department

Ms LO Man-kam Administrative Assistant (Lands/Islands), Lands Department
Mr LAM Ding-fung District Social Welfare Officer (Central Western, Southern and

Islands), Social Welfare Department

Mr CHAN Chi-ho Acting District Commander (Lantau), Hong Kong Police Force

Mr Richard Brinsley SHERIDAN District Commander (Marine Port), Hong Kong Police Force

Ms FAN Chin-ting, Erica Police Community Relations Officer (Lantau District),

Hong Kong Police Force

Mr LAW Tung-wah, Benji Police Community Relations Officer (Marine Port District),

Hong Kong Police Force

Mr YUEN Hong-shing, Honson Chief Transport Officer/New Territories South West,

Transport Department

Mr CHAN Kai-lam, Allan Senior Property Service Manager (Wong Tai Sin, Tsing Yi,

Tsuen Wan and Islands), Housing Department

Mr KWAN Yau-kee District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Islands),

Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

Mrs Brenda NG District Leisure Manager (Islands),

Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Secretary

Ms CHAN Sum-sum, Candy Senior Executive Officer (District Council),

Islands District Office

Welcoming Remarks

<u>The Chairman</u> welcomed Members and representatives from the government departments to the meeting and introduced the government representatives present:

- (a) Mr KWAN Yau-kee, District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Islands) of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD);
- (b) Mr CHAN Chi-ho, Acting District Commander (Lantau) of the Hong Kong Police Force (HKPF) in place of Ms LEE Nga-lai, Alice; and
- (c) Mr CHAN Kai-lam, Allan, Senior Property Service Manager (Wong Tai Sin, Tsing Yi, Tsuen Wan and Islands) of the Housing Department (HD) in place of Mr WONG Hon-kit.

I. Confirmation of the Minutes of Meeting held on 27 June 2016

- 2. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the above minutes had incorporated the amendments proposed by the government departments and Members, and had been distributed to Members for perusal before the meeting.
- 3. The captioned minutes were confirmed unanimously without amendment.
- II. Question on upgrading of Cheung Chau and Tai O village sewage collection, treatment and disposal facilities (Paper IDC 95/2016)
 - 4. <u>The Chairman</u> welcomed Mr CHAN Chi-kwong, Engineer/Consultants Management of the Drainage Services Department (DSD) to the meeting to respond to the question.
 - 5. Mr KWONG Koon-wan presented the question.
 - 6. Mr CHAN Chi-kwong responded as follows:
 - (a) The Environmental Protection Department (EPD) has just completed the vetting process and handed over Project item 197CL from the Civil Engineering and Development Department to DSD for incorporation into Project item 354DS. Given the large works area which involved a number of villages, the works would be divided into several parts for gazettal to cater for the needs of different villagers and call for improvement of the sewerage design.
 - (b) In the reply to Mr KWONG dated 26 September 2014, DSD stated that the works would be divided into four parts: the first part covered Tai Kwai Wan San Tsuen, Nam She Tong and the second and third villages of Yuen

Cheuk, the second part covered Fa Peng, Chi Ma Hang, Tai Shek Hou, Sin Yan Cheng and Shun Yee Tsuen, and the third and fourth parts included Pak She San Tsuen, Tai Tsoi Yuen area, Ko Shan Tsuen and Lung Chai Tsuen. Since the third and fourth parts would overlap with Project item 197CL, the department would discuss with the District Lands Office/Islands (DLO) to ascertain the arrangements and the actual coverage of each part with.

- (c) DSD had been maintaining liaison with DLO for setting a timetable for gazetting the various parts of projects. With the commencement of a number of work projects in the district amid the staffing shortage in DLO, more time would be required for land acquisition. DSD would continue to liaise actively with DLO for the first part of the works to be gazetted as early as possible.
- 7. <u>Mr KWONG Koon-wan</u> enquired whether the four parts of the works commenced at the same time or separately and if DSD could utilise the resources flexibly and rearrange the work order. He hoped that a specific work timetable would be provided.
- 8. Mr CHAN Chi-kwong said it was agreed by DSD and DLO after discussion that the works were to be divided into four parts for gazettal at different times due to the scattered pattern of the villages, though flexibility was allowed to adjust the time of commencement and work order. As the first part of the work covered Tai Kwai Wan San Tsuen, Nam She Tong and the second and third villages of Yuen Cheuk, the department had been in discussion with DLO so that the work could be gazetted by year-end at the earliest. The implementation schedule of the entire project would depend on whether the residents filed comments and the time required for addressing the objections as well as the Government's annual allocation of resources for public works.
- 9. <u>Mr KWONG Koon-wan</u> said that the works had already been delayed for three years and many residents urgently needed to connect the sewerage system for disposal of sewerage. He urged DLO and DSD to deploy additional manpower to avoid further delay.
- 10. The Chairman asked DSD to follow up on the views of Members.

(Mr Randy YU joined the meeting at about 2:05 p.m.)

- III. Question on request for outsourcing of the refuse removal service in Peng Chau (Paper IDC 96/2016)
 - 11. <u>The Chairman</u> welcomed Mr LEE Kim-fai, Senior Health Inspector (Cleansing/Pest Control) of FEHD to the meeting to respond to the question.
 - 12. <u>Ms Josephine TSANG</u> presented the question.

- 13. <u>Mr LEE Kim-fai</u> gave a consolidated response as follows:
 - (a) The Islands District Environmental Hygiene Office (the Office) under the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) had been concerned about the cleansing manpower supply and refuse collection at Peng Chau, and a new village vehicle was purchased in February this year. The village vehicle was required to be driven by a government officer of the Artisan grade, but there were still vacancies of the Artisan grade in the Islands District. Earlier the office had actively followed up with the Appointments Section and the Transport Section on the vacancies of the Artisan grade. The Department considered the current situation of refuse collection at Peng Chau generally acceptable.
 - (b) The Department considered that the outcomes of the outsourced refuse collection services at Cheung Chau and Lamma Island were satisfactory. The Department would review the refuse collection services at Peng Chau in a timely manner, including the feasibility of outsourcing the services concerned.
- 14. <u>Ms Josephine TSANG</u> said that the purchase of a new vehicle in February this year served little purpose as only one vehicle could be used. Earlier this year, the driver was sick leading to refuse piled up in the refuse collection point instead of being disposed of or transported to Tai Lei Island. She asked whether the department staff had visited the refuse collection point.
- 15. <u>Mr Lee Kim-fai</u> indicated that FEHD staff conducted site inspections from time to time and also knew that some bulk waste (e.g. furniture) could not be cleared on the same day when they were deposited. The Department would liaise and follow up with beat staff on the issue.
- 16. <u>Ms Josephine TSANG</u> said that the problem now was that abundant refuse was stacked up for days and not disposed of. She hoped the Department would check and take action immediately.
- 17. Mr Ken WONG said that although Peng Chau was equipped with one more village vehicle for refuse collection, no driver was provided. The Department had been facing a shortage of manpower and the cleansing workers simply stacked up the refuse in order to get the work done. Pedestrians were knocked down twice. He did not understand why the refuse collection service in Peng Chau was not outsourced when other areas had outsourced the service. He hoped that the Department would actively consider the proposal to address the problem.
- 18. <u>The Chairman</u> hoped that FEHD would follow up on the enquiries and the views of Members.

IV. Question on improvement of internal and external transport facilities for Yat Tung Estate, Tung Chung Chung

(Paper IDC 97/2016)

- 19. <u>The Chairman</u> welcomed YUEN Hong-shing, Honson, Chief Transport Officer/New Territories South West of the Transport Department (TD), Mr WONG Wah, Administrative Consultant of New Lantao Bus, Mr Kevin LI, Public Affair Manager of City Bus Limited as well as Mr Jeff POON, Assistant Manager (Traffic Operations) of Long Win Bus Co. Limited, for attending the meeting to give responses.
- 20. <u>Mr Eric KWOK</u> presented the question.
- 21. <u>Mr Honson YUEN</u> responded as follows:

New Lantao Bus routes 38 and N38

- (a) Route 38 operated every 2 or 3 minutes frequently in morning peak hours. The department staff had paid a visit on the morning of 1 September and there were no lost trips.
- (b) Route N38 operated at about 15-30 minutes' interval, running from Yat Tung Estate to Tung Chung MTR Station between 12:30 a.m. and 5 a.m. and from Tung Chung MTR Station to Yat Tung Estate between 12:40 a.m. and 5:10 a.m. According to the statistics of the bus company, the patronage ranged from 1% to 90%, and TD considered that the current service was capable of meeting the demand.
- (c) Regarding the hygiene and the drivers' attitude of the above two routes, TD had urged the bus company to investigate and make improvement promptly.

Citybus route E21A

(d) Route E21A travelling between Oi Man Estate, Homantin and Yat Tung Estate ran at 12-16 minutes' interval in peak hours and 20 minutes' interval off-peak. E21A covered a long distance and travelled through the relatively busier and congested districts or road sections (e.g. Sham Shui Po, Mong Kok and Nathan Road). There might be disruptions caused by some unpredictable traffic situations. TD had urged the bus company to take note of the above to avoid causing inconvenience to the public as a result of lost trips.

Service time for Long Win Bus route S64

(e) With effect from 22 November 2014, route 64 was split into S64X and S64C, with the former travelling to the Airport Passenger Terminal and the latter to the Catering Area at 10-15 minutes' interval. According to an observation made during the afternoon peak period recently, the average occupancy rate of route 64 was about 60% and there was no passenger-left-behind situation or lost trip.

- (f) With reference to the proposal for arranging larger buses for serving the first S64X each day, franchised buses generally had a seating capacity of about 60% and a standing capacity of about 40%. Given that the occupancy rate of the first S64X was about 77%; and no passenger-left-behind situation was observed the current service was capable to cope with the passenger demand.
- (g) With reference to the proposal for route S64X not calling at Cathay City, Chek Lap Kok Fire Station and Cathay Pacific Catering Centre, the data showed that about 20% of passengers alighted there; and these passengers would be affected if the bus company cancelled the bus stops therein. TD understood that some passengers might have to stand on busier rides but, all in all, routes S64C and S64X were capable of meeting the passenger demand.

Relocation of the bus stop of Long Win Bus route N31

(h) All the bus stops along the Tsuen Wan- or Yat Tung Estate-bound route were provided with shelters for waiting passengers. If the bus stop at North Lantau Hospital was relocated to Yat Tung Estate bus terminus, the overall journey time and frequency would be affected. The Department had reservations about the proposal.

<u>Installation of estimated time of bus arrival system at Lantau Link Toll</u> Plaza

(i) The Government planned to assist the bus companies to install bus service information display panels at bus stops that were sheltered and equipped with electricity supply. As over a thousand bus stops were involved (including Lantau Link Toll Plaza), the work would be carried out in phases. TD was now studying with the relevant bus companies such issues as the order of installation and would keep Mr KWOK informed.

<u>Provision of franchised bus and green minibus (GMB) services between Yat Tung Estate and Tsim Sha Tsui</u>

- (j) Regarding franchised bus services, Citybus route E21X from Yat Tung Estate via Tsim Sha Tsui and Hung Hom, etc, was now operated three trips daily from Monday to Friday between 7:20 a.m. and 8 a.m. The patronage averaged about 40%. TD and the bus company would closely monitor the situation and consider enhancing service as the passengers increased.
- (k) The role of GMB services was supplementary; and was only suitable for areas where the patronage could not support high capacity carriers. The long distance from Yat Tung Estate to Hong Kong or Kowloon without pick-ups in between meant that the provision of GMB service would not be cost-effective. Therefore, TD did not support the provision of franchised public buses between Yat Tung Estate and Tsim Sha Tsui.

22. Mr Kevin LI responded as follows:

- (a) Citybus had been paying great attention to the transport service in Yat Tung Estate. Apart from routes E21A and S52 providing regular day service, special services were provided by E11S, E21X, E22S and S52P along the Airport Cargo Area, Hong Kong Island, Kwun Tong, Tsim Sha Tsui, etc. during the morning peak periods to carry passengers to work. Citybus also monitored the patronage of E routes with a view to improving the service. For instance, the service time of route E21A (leaving Kowloon for Yat Tung Estate) were extended with effect from August this year and the trips of E11S had also increased. The service level would improve in line with the passenger volume.
- (b) With reference to the lost trips of route E21A, the bus route was long and plied through busy districts such as Cheung Sha Wan and Mong Kok. As a result, delay might occur sometimes. Citybus would monitor closely the bus arrangement and make appropriate deployment or adjustment where necessary to cope with unexpected incidents. The transport service for Yat Tung Estate was being kept in view and review would be conducted.

23. Mr WONG Wah responded as follows:

- (a) Bus route 38 operated frequently at 1-2 minutes' interval in morning peak hours. Double deckers were arranged to run at rush hours to meet the higher capacity requirement. For route N38, apart from the service time TD mentioned, extra trips were arranged by New Lantao Bus to travel from Tung Chung MTR Station to Yat Tung Estate at about 5-15 minutes' interval between 12:30 a.m. and 1:20 a.m. The patronage ranged from over 80% at most to less than 10%. New Lantao Bus considered that route N38 was capable of meeting the passengers' demand.
- (b) Regarding bus hygiene and the attitude of bus captains, New Lantao Bus would keep in view and follow up on the issues.

24. <u>Mr Jeff POON</u> responded as follows:

- (a) Long Win had been monitoring route S64 and other bus routes travelling between Yat Tung Estate and other districts. According to a recent observation, the service of S64 in terms of number of trips and bus operation in the morning peak hours was generally normal. Long Win understood that at some time slots in the morning, the patronage might be higher and thus deployed buses with higher capacity and more seats to run the first two trips to meet the demand. It would continue to monitor the situation closely and would discuss with TD where necessary to enhance the service of S64.
- (b) With reference to the installation of the bus information display panel system at the bus stop of Lantau Link Toll Plaza, Long Win had

incorporated the initiative in its plan. Upon confirmation of funding and work details, arrangement would be made for the installation as soon as possible.

25. <u>Mr Eric KWOK</u> expressed his views as follows:

- (a) The opinions of residents were incorporated in the study report of the traffic in Yat Tung Estate. He hoped TD and the relevant bus companies would read the report carefully. New Lantao Bus had been trying its best to increase the frequency of routes 38 and N38 but because of the design of Yat Tung Estate bus terminus, a bottleneck occurred when the buses entered the bus terminus from Yat Tung Street. He urged TD and the relevant departments to redesign the bus terminus. With more housing developments springing up, he was afraid the traffic in the district would deteriorate.
- (b) He appreciated that Citybus would deploy, extra buses at the designated time slots to run the special route E21A to meet the demand.
- (c) He asked Long Win to explain in greater detail why the North Lantau Hospital bus stop of N31 could not be relocated to Yat Tung Estate bus terminus. He opined that the traffic volume in Yat Tung Estate bus terminus would be lower at night and the buses would not need much time to enter the bus terminus.
- 26. <u>Mr Bill TANG</u> appreciated that Mr Eric KWOK had shared the findings of the study and expressed his views as follows:
 - (a) TD should study in-depth the traffic pressure facing Tung Chung West, especially Tung Chung Estate, including the traffic impacts after the opening of No.3 carpark of Yat Tung Estate. The Link Asset Management Ltd. was not required to conduct consultation or obtain consent for the opening of No.3 carpark. It was not yet known whether the opening of the carpark would bring positive or negative effects but the traffic would increase for sure. Therefore, the matter had to be dealt with promptly.
 - (b) The provision of extra trips alone could not address the problem. Owing to its limited capacity, Yat Tung Estate bus terminus could not accommodate more buses. He urged TD to examine whether the bus terminus could cope with the rising and more diversified demand, and consider the proposal for E route bus to detour to Yat Tung Estate during the morning peak period.
 - (c) He hoped the authority would provide the construction schedule for Tung Chung West MTR station in writing.
- 27. Mr Honson YUEN said there was no updated information about Tung Chung West MTR Station available. To better address the question, he suggested the Secretariat forward it to the Transport and Housing Bureau for reply.

- 28. Mr Jeff POON said that no matter leaving the Airport or Tsuen Wan, N31 picked up passengers in Yat Tung Estate and Tung Chung North, so the travel schedule was tight. The bus company initially planned to add a stop on Chung Yan Road to serve the residents of Yat Tung Estate returning home late, rather than for the buses entering the bus terminus to alleviate the noise impacts caused. He added that the total travel time had to be taken into account to avoid interrupting the bus schedule and the rest time of bus captains. The overnight bus service did not operate frequently but had to be on schedule so as not to affect the frequent passengers. He hoped Members would understand the reason that route N31 could not detour to Yat Tung Estate bus terminus.
- 29. Mr WONG Wah said that New Lantao Bus would later contact Mr Eric KWOK and Mr Bill TANG for a meeting to listen to the views of the residents of Yat Tung Estate for improvement of service.
- 30. Mr Eric KWOK remarked that the explanation that buses detouring to Yat Tung Estate from North Lantau Hospital would have impacts on travel time was unacceptable as the journey was short, though he admitted that the buses entering the bus terminus would cause noise nuisances at night.
- 31. Mr Bill TANG requested the government departments to respond to the following: firstly, the traffic capacity of Yat Tung Estate bus terminus; secondly, the proposal for route E buses detouring to Yat Tung Estate and thirdly, the construction schedule for Tung Chung West MTR Station.
- 32. <u>The Chairman</u> asked the department concerned to consider Members' views and that the matter could be discussed at the meeting of the Traffic and Transport Committee if necessary.

(Mr Bill TANG joined the meeting at about 2:30 p.m.)

V. Question on the environmental impacts of the three-runway system project of the airport

(Paper IDC 98/2016)

- 33. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the Airport Authority (AA), the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department (AFCD) and EPD could not arrange representatives to attend the meeting but had provided written replies for Members' perusal.
- 34. Ms Amy YUNG presented the question and expressed her views as follows:
 - (a) The written replies of AA and AFCD had not addressed how the alert level for dolphins was determined and the reasons for the increasing death of dolphins.

- (b) AA stated in the written reply that gorgonians were not of special conservation interest or on the list of endangered species, which was in conflict with what the WWF-Hong Kong claimed gorgonians were rare. It also gave no response as to whether the coral colonies in Sha Chau and other areas would be sacrificed if not translocated upon the commencement of the third runway project.
- (c) Under the committee system, Members could ask questions on behalf of the general public, whereas the government departments, statutory bodies, and the public and private organisations alike arranged representatives to attend the meeting to answer the questions raised by Members. She was disappointed that AA, AFCD and EPD failed to send representatives to the meeting. She considered that those departments/organisations which always did not attend the meetings of DC and gave replies in the format of those of business communication had little regard for DC.
- (d) She suggested the Secretariat to arrange a meeting between Members and the representatives of AA, AFCD and EPD after the meeting to discuss the issue in detail. She opined that to avoid a problem, it would not disappear but snowball.
- 35. Mr Eric KWOK concurred with Ms Amy YUNG. Global warming and abrupt climate changes had profound consequences for the ecosystem. He considered that the survival of our offspring was closely interrelated to the equilibrium of Nature. He was interested in meeting with the representatives of the above departments and organisations to exchange ideas about conservation of the valuable natural resources. The earth's resources belonged to all global communities, not any individual organisation, and were what we depended on for survival.
- 36. <u>The Chairman</u> asked the Secretariat to arrange a meeting for Members after the meeting.
- VI. Question on progress of the Public Rental Housing Development at Tung Chung

 Area 56
 (Paper IDC 99/2016)
 - 37. <u>The Chairman</u> welcomed Mr CHAN Kai-lam, Allan, Senior Property Service Manager (Wong Tai Sin, Tsing Yi, Tsuen Wan and Islands) and Mr YIP Shing-lam, Senior Architect of HD to the meeting to respond to the question. The written reply of the Education Bureau (EDB) was distributed to Members for perusal prior to the meeting.
 - 38. <u>Mr Holden CHOW</u> presented the question.
 - 39. Mr YIP Shing-lam said that the public rental housing development in Tung Chung Area 56 was undergoing the latter phase of finishing and exterior works and the project was estimated to be completed in late 2016 to early 2017. We would

monitor the relevant work progress closely. On population intake, the Hong Kong Housing Authority (HA) normally applied for the Occupation Permit after the practical completion of construction. After the issuance of the Occupation Permit, it would notify the applicants according to the procedures for completing the intake formalities. As to the shopping centre built at the same time as the estate under the project, HA would make arrangements for leasing the shop premises before the anticipated intake period after completion of the project, i.e. around late 2016. HA would then notify the prospective tenants in early 2017 as estimated to sign the contract and take over the tenancy. The tenants could then conduct renovation and start operation. For the kindergarten and welfare premises in the project, after receiving the school allocation result of EDB and recommendations from the Social Welfare Department (SWD), HA would contact the school sponsoring body and successful applicant organisations and proceed with the tenancy matter of the welfare The carriageway and roundabout to the north were expected to be premises. completed in late 2016 and would be opened to public upon checking and examination by Transport Department and the Highways Department.

- 40. <u>Mr Holden CHOW</u> asked when the kindergarten under the project could be operational.
- 41. Mr Allan CHAN added that upon receiving the recommendations from EDB and SWD about the non-governmental or non-profit organisations for operating the kindergarten and welfare facilities, HD would proceed with the tenancy matter with the organisations. No specific timetable could be provided for the time being.

VII. <u>Progress on District-led Actions Scheme</u> (Paper IDC 100/2016)

- 42. <u>The Chairman</u> welcomed Mr CHOW Chit, Joe, Assistant District Officer (Islands)2 of the Islands District Office (IsDO) to the meeting to present the paper.
- 43. <u>Mr Joe CHOW</u> presented the paper.
- 44. <u>Mr Eric KWOK</u> appreciated that IsDO had conducted mosquito control and grass cutting five times in Yat Tung Estate with good result and hoped that the above would continue.
- 45. Mr Bill TANG said the departments concerned focused the resources on three areas of action under the scheme and good result was achieved. If other initiatives were proposed in the forthcoming year, he was concerned whether the department would redeploy the resources to tackle the new problems and forgot the anti-mosquito work. He would like to know more about the way forward for the scheme.
- 46. <u>Ms LEE Kwai-chun</u> said that upon the implementation of the District-led Actions Scheme in Islands District, there was improvement as shown in the Ovitrap Indices recorded for Tung Chung and Cheung Chau and the work was effective.

- 47. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the mosquito problem was serious lately and one of the key areas under the District-led Actions Scheme of Islands District was to improve environmental hygiene and strengthen the anti-mosquito work in light of the present situation. He lauded the work of the departments which had achieved excellent results.
- Mr Anthony LI said that it was the first time the District-led Actions Scheme was implemented in Islands District, with an aim to enhancing the involvement of the District Council (DC) and DC Members in district affairs. IsDO had discussed with DC Members the scope of work of Islands District and invite Members to propose the priority areas of action and the locations concerned so that the work of the departments would better cater for the needs of the district. The three areas of action identified under the scheme, the locations concerned as well as their effectiveness would be reviewed at the end of this year to determine whether changes should be made to the areas of action and priority according to the circumstances of individual districts. Meanwhile, DC Members would be consulted.

VIII. <u>Proposed Schedule of Meeting for IDC and its Committees in 2017</u> (Paper IDC 108/2016)

49. Members noted and endorsed the above paper.

IX. Report on the Work of the Islands District Management Committee (July 2016) (Paper IDC 101/2016)

- 50. Mr Bill TANG said he did not agree to Paragraph 7 of the paper which stated that there were enough recreation and sports facilities in Tung Chung New Town, and hoped that the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) would follow up with the proposal for construction of a football pitch at On Tung Street that he submitted earlier on.
- Mrs Brenda NG said that considering the current facility to population ratio, LCSD had provided sufficient recreation and sports facilities in Tung Chung. The Department would monitor closely the overall development and population growth in the future and develop the recreation and sports facilities in a timely manner. Regarding the proposal of Mr Bill TANG for construction of a temporary football pitch on On Tung Street, it was being followed up by IsDO and LCSD.
- 52. <u>Ms Amy YUNG</u> remarked that it was stated in paragraph 4 of the paper that EDB had received a case of a non-Chinese speaking primary school student looking for a school place and the child was now admitted to school. She asked which district the child came from. As far as she knew, there was more than one non-Chinese speaking child in Discovery Bay looking for school places.

53. Mr Anthony LI said that IsDO would follow up with EDB and reply to Ms YUNG's enquiry.

X. Reports on the Work of the IDC Committees (Papers IDC 102-105/2016)

54. Members noted and endorsed the above paper.

XI. <u>Allocation of DC funds</u>

- (i) <u>Up-to-date Financial Position on the Use of DC Funds</u> (Paper IDC 106/2016)
- 55. Members noted the above and endorsed the provision of reserve fund of \$26,000 to the District Facilities Management Committee for implementation of the study room pilot scheme at the conference room of the Discovery Bay Community Hall for a period of three months.
- (ii) Approval for Using DC Funds by circulation from 1 June to 31 July 2016 (Paper IDC 107/2016)
- 56. Members noted and endorsed the above paper.

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

57. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:06 p.m. The next meeting would be held at 2:00 p.m. on 24 October 2016 (Monday).

Islands District Council Secretariat January 2017