

(Translation)

**Islands District Council  
Community Affairs, Culture and Recreation Committee  
Paper CACRC 17/2020**

**Question on disinfection of  
collection and facilities of Hong Kong Public Libraries**

Ms Amy YUNG notified this Council that she would raise the following enquiry at the Community Affairs, Culture and Recreation Committee meeting to be held on 4 May 2020:

“ While services of all public libraries are suspended due to the coronavirus outbreak, many members of the public are concerned about the hygiene of library collections and facilities. As such, I would like to invite the Leisure and Cultural Services Department to arrange representative to attend the meeting and respond to the following:

1. Would the department conduct thorough disinfection during the closure of the libraries?
2. Are there any differences in the disinfection methods between books that can and cannot be loaned and newspapers, magazines and DVDs etc.?
3. Would the department conduct regular disinfection for the book drops at the libraries and MTR stations?
4. Would the department provide book sterilisers at the libraries and mobile library vans? ”

Islands District Council Secretariat

File Ref.: IS 67/1/01

Date: 14 April 2020