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Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Programme Plan of Extension Activities of Public Libraries
in the Islands District
From April 2022 to March 2023

Purpose

This paper reports to Members the programme plan of extension activities to be organised by public libraries in the Islands District under the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) for the year 2022-23.

Background

2. To cater for the reading needs and interest of local residents of all ages, the LCSD regularly organises a variety of extension activities in public libraries in the Islands District. The extension activities aim to encourage the use of library facilities and promote lifelong learning among members of the public and students in particular, as well as to foster a reading culture in the community.

Overview of Activities

3. Extension activities held in the district library and small libraries of the Islands District can be broadly categorised into district-based and territory-wide activities. While local libraries regularly organise storytelling sessions for children, subject talks, book displays, and user education sessions, the Hong Kong Public Libraries (HKPL) of the LCSD co-ordinates territory-wide extension activities to be held in public libraries in various districts. Such territory-wide extension activities include thematic book displays, subject talks, literary writing activities, storytelling and performances for children, reading programmes for children and youth, as well as reading clubs.

4. An overview of the extension activities organised by public libraries in the Islands District in the past year (from January to December 2021) is set out at Annex I for Members' reference.

Programme Plan for the Coming Year

5. Proposed district-based activities to be held in public libraries in the Islands District between April 2022 and March 2023 are set out at Annex II for Members' ease of reference. A total of 691 library extension activities are planned for the period, with an estimated attendance of about 200,871. Territory-wide extension activities to be organised by the HKPL in the year 2022-23 are set out at Annex III for reference.

Submission

6. This paper is for information of Members of the Community Affairs, Culture and Recreation Committee of the Islands District Council.

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