

Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Report on Extension Activities of Public Libraries
in the Islands District
From April to September 2024

Purpose

This paper reports to Members on the attendance of the extension activities held at the public libraries of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) in the Islands District from April to September 2024.

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. LCSD has issued the plan for district-based activities to be held in public libraries in the Islands District in the year 2024-25 and has consulted Members at the meeting on 9 April 2024. A total of 724 library extension activities are planned for the period, with an estimated attendance of about 204,112.

Library Extension Activities

4. The report on the extension activities held at the public libraries in the Islands district from April to September 2024 is set out in Annex. A total of 509 library extension activities were organised for the period, with an attendance of 135,107.

Submission

5. This paper is to be tabled at the CICRC meeting on 8 October 2024 for Members' ease of reference.

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