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**Minutes of Meeting of Islands District Council**

Date : 10 September 2024 (Tuesday)  
Time : 2:30 p.m.  
Venue : Islands District Council Conference Room,  
14/F, Harbour Building, 38 Pier Road, Central, Hong Kong

**Present**

**Chairman**

Ms YEUNG Wai-sum, Amy, JP

**Members**

Mr HO Siu-kei  
Mr HO Chun-fai  
Mr YU Hon-kwan, MH, JP  
Mr NG Man-kit  
Mr NG Choi-wah  
Mr CHOW Yuen-kuk, Jonathan  
Mr CHOW Yuk-tong, SBS, MH  
Mr HUI Chun-lung, MH  
Ms KWOK Wai-man, Mealoha  
Mr WAN Yeung-kin  
Mr WONG Man-hon, MH  
Ms WONG Chau-ping, MH  
Mr WONG Hon-kuen, Ken  
Mr YIP Pui-kei  
Mr LAU Chin-pang  
Ms LAU Suk-han  
Ms LAU Shun-ting  
Mr LUO Chenghuan

**Attendance by Invitation**

Mr CHENG Yuk-lung, Stanley	Chief Engineer/Lantau 1, Civil Engineering and Development Department
Ms WU Wai-yu, Sharon	Chief Engineer/Lantau 2, Civil Engineering and Development Department
Mr TANG Siu-kit, Rafael	Senior Engineer/15 (Lantau), Civil Engineering and Development Department
Mr POON Wai-wing, Alvin	Senior Engineer/19 (Lantau), Civil Engineering and Development Department
Mr TSANG Chi-yui, Derek	Contract Senior Architect (Lantau), Civil Engineering and Development Department

Ms PONG Nga-tuen, Jaime	Senior Landscape Architect (Lantau), Civil Engineering and Development Department
Mr CHAN Chun-ho	Landscape Architect/3 (Lantau), Civil Engineering and Development Department
Ms LAM Shuk-man, Mandy	Senior Executive Officer (Planning)21, Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Mr PANG Tat-hung, Raymond	Executive Officer (Planning)21A, Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Mr WONG Wan, Harris	Senior Environmental Protection Officer (Sewerage Infrastructure)3, Environmental Protection Department
Mr CHAN Cho-sing, Joel	Group Director, P&T Architects Limited
Mr Wilson WOO	Architectural Director, P&T Architects Limited
Ms Connie CHAN	Executive Director, AECOM Asia Company Limited
Mr Martin LAW	Technical Director, AECOM Asia Company Limited
Ms LEUNG Hiu-sum, Elly	Senior Landscape Architect, AECOM Asia Company Limited
Mr Davis LEE	Director, Ove Arup & Partners Hong Kong Limited
Mr Alan NG	Chief Resident Engineer, Ove Arup & Partners Hong Kong Limited
Ms LEE Suet-ye, Snowdy	Manager (Chinese Medicine Department), Hospital Authority
Dr LUK Wan	Consultant (Family Medicine & Primary Health Care), Kowloon West Cluster, Hospital Authority
 <b><u>In Attendance</u></b>	
Mr MOK Mong-chan	Assistant District Officer (Islands)1, Islands District Office
Ms AU YEUNG Wing-sum, Livia	Assistant District Officer (Islands)2, Islands District Office
Mr LEE Sun-fu, Joe	Senior Executive Officer (District Management), Islands District Office
Mr AU Ho-yin, Gary	Senior Liaison Officer (1), Islands District Office
Ms LIU Pui-shan, Lis	Senior Liaison Officer (2), Islands District Office
Mr YEUNG Che-yuen, Patrick	Senior Engineer/1 (Lantau), Civil Engineering and Development Department
Ms LAM Bun-gee	District Social Welfare Officer (Central Western, Southern and Islands), Social Welfare Department
Mr TO Chak-foo	Chief Manager/Management (Hong Kong Island and Islands), Housing Department
Mr FUNG Wai-nok	District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Islands), Food and Environmental Hygiene Department
Mr LEE Cho-ming, Joe	District Commander (Lantau District), Hong Kong Police Force
Mr Clive WALTON	District Commander (Marine Port District), Hong Kong Police Force
Ms LI Ka-chai, Denise	Police Community Relations Officer (Lantau District), Hong Kong Police Force
Mr CHAN Sheung-yung, Cyrus	Police Community Relations Officer (Marine Port District), Hong Kong Police Force

Mr KWONG Wang-ngai, Walter	District Planning Officer/Sai Kung & Islands, Planning Department
Ms LIM Ting-ting, Sylvia	Chief Leisure Manager (New Territories West), Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Ms HA Chung-wan, Joanne	District Leisure Manager (Islands), Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Mr AU Siu-fung, Kelvin	Chief Transport Officer/Islands, Transport Department

**Secretary**

Ms Kennis CHAN	Senior Executive Officer (District Council), Islands District Office
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**Welcome remarks**

The Chairman welcomed Members and representatives of the government departments to the meeting of the Islands District Council (IDC), and introduced the following representative of department:

- (a) Mr LEE Cho-ming, Joe, District Commander (Lantau) of the Hong Kong Police Force, who succeeded Dr CHEUNG Hoi-yan.

I. **Confirmation of the Minutes of Meeting held on 9 July 2024**

2. The Chairman said that the captioned minutes had incorporated the amendments proposed by the government departments and Members and had been distributed to Members for perusal prior to the meeting. Members had no other amendment proposals. The minutes were confirmed unanimously.

II. **Tung Chung New Town Extension Project**  
(IDC Paper No. 43/2024)

3. The Chairman drew Members' attention to the IDC Paper No. 43/2024.

4. The Chairman welcomed Mr CHENG Yuk-lung, Stanley, Chief Engineer/Lantau 1, Ms WU Wai-yu, Sharon, Chief Engineer/Lantau 2, Mr TANG Siu-kit, Rafael, Senior Engineer/15 (Lantau), Mr POON Wai-wing, Alvin, Senior Engineer/19 (Lantau), Mr TSANG Chi-yui, Derek, Contract Senior Architect (Lantau), Ms PONG Nga-tuen, Jaime, Senior Landscape Architect (Lantau) and Mr CHAN Chun-ho, Landscape Architect/3 (Lantau) of the Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD); Mr WONG Wan, Harris, Senior Environmental Protection Officer (Sewerage Infrastructure)<sup>3</sup> of the Environmental Protection Department (EPD); Ms LAM Shuk-man, Mandy, Senior Executive Officer

(Planning)21 and Mr PANG Tat-hung, Raymond, Executive Officer (Planning)21A of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD); Ms Connie CHAN, Executive Director, Mr Martin LAW, Technical Director and Ms LEUNG Hiu-sum, Elly, Senior Landscape Architect of AECOM Asia Company Limited; Mr Davis LEE, Director and Mr Alan NG, Chief Resident Engineer of Ove Arup & Partners Hong Kong Limited; and Mr CHAN Cho-sing, Joel, Group Director and Mr Wilson WOO, Architectural Director of P&T Architects Limited to the meeting to present the paper.

5. Mr Stanley CHENG, Mr Rafael TANG and Mr Alvin POON briefly presented the paper with the aid of PowerPoint presentation.

6. Mr YIP Pui-kei appreciated the detailed explanation and aesthetic design by the CEDD, and expressed his views as follows:

- (a) As the population of Tung Chung continued to grow, residents' demand for sitting-out facilities, roads and footbridges would also increase. Therefore, he hoped the CEDD could finish the works as soon as possible.
- (b) Regarding the CEDD's plan to build two more footbridges at Ying Hei Road and Tung Chung Waterfront Road, he said that together with the two existing footbridges, there would be four footbridges at the above location upon completion of the works. He suggested that the CEDD should join the said footbridges and build covers thereon for the convenience of the public.
- (c) Given that the two ramps of the proposed footbridges at the junction of Ying Tung Road and Ying Hei Road were both located on the northbound lane, he suggested that the CEDD could consider building additional ramps on the southbound lanes for the convenience of residents.
- (d) It was learnt that water-friendly facilities would be built in the vicinity of Area 128 and Area 144. However, the above-mentioned areas were not within the boundary of the Tung Chung New Town Extension (TCNTE) project. Therefore, he asked the Department whether the works in question would be included in phase 2 of the TCNTE project or other projects.
- (e) Regarding the shortage of facilities for ball games activities in Tung Chung District, he asked the CEDD whether additional ball games facilities such as basketball courts or soccer pitches would be constructed in addition to the lawn and fitness equipment.
- (f) He asked the Department whether cycle tracks would be built under phase 2 of the TCNTE project.

7. Mr LAU Chin-pang thanked the CEDD for the explanation, and expressed his views as follows:

- (a) For safety reasons, he suggested adding a partition, such as planters, between the pedestrian walkway and cycle track on the proposed footbridges, so as to avoid bicycle-pedestrian collisions.
- (b) Yu Tung Road was the major road serving Tung Chung West and Tung Chung Town Centre. However, two months before this meeting, two severe traffic accidents occurred on this road, causing congestion and paralysing the traffic throughout Tung Chung West and South Lantau. With the development of Tung Chung New Town, many new roads would be built in Tung Chung West. Therefore, he hoped the departments would explore the construction of additional carriageways between Yat Tung Estate and Tung Chung Town Centre to alleviate the traffic pressure on Yu Tung Road.
- (c) He enquired about the progress of the Town Park and asked whether the completed facilities could be opened for public use first.

8. Ms WONG Chau-ping commended the CEDD for the aesthetic design of the Cycle Park, and expressed her views as follows:

- (a) She asked whether the cycle tracks could connect Tung Chung East, Tung Chung Central and Tung Chung West (including the rural villages), so that the villagers could cycle to and from Tung Chung Town Centre.
- (b) She said that the Bicycle Park would attract visitors from other districts. However, since there was currently a shortage of parking spaces in the district, she was worried that the problem would worsen. She hoped the departments would solve it as soon as possible.
- (c) Under phase 2 of the TCNTE project, some roads would be extended to the periphery and heart of the villages. In this regard, she hoped the departments would strengthen communication with rural stakeholders to reduce the impact of the works on villagers.
- (d) She hoped the departments would monitor the condition of Tung Chung Stream (especially the western tributary) next to Road L29, divert the river water properly, and take note of the sewerage arrangements in the nearby villages, so as to prevent the backflow of river water into the villages when flash floods occurred.
- (e) She asked about the progress of the provision of public sewerage system for the five villages in the vicinity of Tung Chung Road.

9. Mr Stanley CHENG made a consolidated response as follows:
- (a) The planning for the Tung Chung New Town reclamation area was conducted in phases from southwest to northeast. Since Areas 128 and 144 were located in the northeastern part of the reclamation area, the development of these sites would only unfold at a later stage of the TCNTE project. In addition, the Department would extend the Waterfront Promenade to the northeastern part of the reclamation area, including the location opposite Areas 128 and 144, in Stage 2 of the open space development.
  - (b) Stage 1 of the open space development mainly focused on the construction of passive facilities, thus facilities for ball games activities were not included. The Department would build a covered futsal court in the eastern part of the reclamation area during Stage 2 of the open space development.
  - (c) The cycle track connecting the Tung Chung New Town reclamation area and the vicinity was around 10 kilometres long. It was a development project under phase 1 of the TCNTE project and was currently under construction. The cycle track network throughout the entire reclaimed land in Tung Chung East would also be completed gradually.
  - (d) As for the proposal to complete the construction of the facilities in phases and open the completed ones for public use as early as possible (especially the Waterfront Promenade), the Department was actively reviewing the works arrangement and was striving to complete and open a section of the Waterfront Promenade at the western end of the reclaimed land in Tung Chung East for public use first.
  - (e) As for Members' concern that external visitors attracted by the Cycle Park would aggravate the problem of parking space shortage, he advised that the Cycle Park cum Skatepark was close to the development project in Siu Ho Wan and the future MTR Siu Ho Wan Station, which would be conveniently accessible to members of the public by public transportation. He also expected that parking spaces would be provided at the development project in Siu Ho Wan. Nonetheless, the Department would review the demand for parking spaces and follow up on the above matter with the Transport Department (TD).
  - (f) The cycle tracks to be constructed under the TCNTE project would connect the existing cycle tracks in Tung Chung East, Tung Chung West and Tung Chung Town Centre.

10. Ms Sharon WU made a consolidated response as follows:
- (a) As to whether the two sets of footbridges proposed would connect other nearby footbridges to form a footbridge network, factors such as pedestrian flow, cost-effectiveness and the overall town planning had to be taken into account, and discussion also had to be held with the TD, the Planning Department (PlanD) and other departments on the necessity and feasibility of the proposal.
  - (b) Considering the volume and prevailing direction of the future bicycle flow on both sides of the proposed footbridges at the junction of Ying Tung Road, the land planning in the vicinity, land constraints, cost-effectiveness and other factors, the Department proposed to build the bicycle ramps on the north side of the footbridges. In addition, the footbridge system would be equipped with a total of eight lifts, all of which could accommodate bicycles to facilitate cyclists.
  - (c) As for the proposal to add a divider between the pedestrian walkway and cycle track on the proposed footbridges, the Department would follow up with the consultant.
  - (d) To tie in with the TCNTE project, the Department would carry out improvement works at the junctions of Yu Tung Road and Shun Tung Road and that of Yu Tung Road and Chung Yan Road to improve the traffic conditions of the above road sections.
  - (e) Regarding the proposal to build new roads between Yat Tung Estate and Tung Chung Town Centre, the Department would follow up with Members on the details. If necessary, the Department would look into the feasibility of the proposal or explore other viable solutions with the TD, the PlanD and the Lands Department.
  - (f) The open space development in Area 29A under phase 1 of the TCNTE project was in progress. The Department expected that the works would be completed by the end of 2025, and it would work closely with the LCS D to strive for an early opening to the public.
  - (g) The cycle tracks under the TCNTE project would connect Tung Chung Town Centre and some villages. Among them, the cycle track next to Road L29 would connect Shek Mun Kap with Chung Mun Road, and cyclists would be able to access Tung Chung Town Centre via Yu Tung Road.
  - (h) The Department would communicate with the local community (including the village representatives and the Tung Chung Rural Committee) on the works under the TCNTE project.

- (i) Regarding the channel dredging for the Tung Chung Stream next to Road L29, the Department had conducted a site visit with the Drainage Services Department (DSD) to follow up on the matters.

11. Mr Harris WONG responded that public sewerage systems would be laid for eight villages (including Ma Wan Chung, Wong Nai Uk, Shek Lau Po, Ngau Au, Lam Che, Nim Yuen, Mok Ka and Shek Mun Kap) under phase 2 of the TCNTE project. In addition, as the current capacity of some trunk sewers along Tung Chung Road was inadequate, the CEDD would expand the capacity of the trunk sewers through the above-mentioned works. Thereafter, the EPD would progressively carry out the study and planning work on the sewerage collection systems for the remaining five villages in the vicinity of Tung Chung Road subject to resource availability.

12. Mr WAN Yeung-kin said that the TCNTE project covered an extensive area with a large population intake. As such, he emphasized that only one futsal court would be insufficient. He asked whether basketball courts and seven-a-side soccer pitches would be provided in the extension area, and suggested that the departments should provide more of these facilities.

13. Mr HO Siu-kei enquired about the future use of the bay in Area 144.

14. Mr WONG Man-hon said he anticipated that villagers would travel to and from the future MTR Siu Ho Wan Station by bicycle. Therefore, he requested the CEDD to connect the cycle tracks at the three villages in Tai Ho with the future MTR Siu Ho Wan Station.

15. Ms LAU Suk-han appreciated the aesthetic design by the CEDD. She suggested that the departments should refer to the design of the Children's Playground at Tuen Mun Park and add inclusive play facilities to the playground, so as to attract residents from other districts to bring their children to the playground. In addition, she suggested that the CEDD should provide small restaurants or food trucks to the Waterfront Promenade, so that the public could purchase food and beverage.

16. Mr Stanley CHENG responded that the futsal court was only one of the facilities provided under Stage 2 of the open space development and the CEDD had reserved land in the extension area for the potential construction of recreational and sports facilities by the LCSD.

17. Ms Mandy LAM responded that the LCSD had reserved land in the Tung Chung East extension area for the construction of one sports ground and two sports centres. The Department would keep in view local residents' demand for recreational and sports facilities, and would provide appropriate recreational and sports facilities for residents in the district by taking into account the utilisation of the existing recreational and sports facilities and changes of the population in the district, as well as making reference to the Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines and the views of Members and stakeholders.



18. Mr Stanley CHENG made a consolidated response as follows:
- (a) Regarding the future use of the bay in Area 144, the departments were unable to provide relevant information as the plan had yet to be finalised.
  - (b) Regarding the proposal to connect the cycle tracks under the TCNTE project with those in the three villages in Tai Ho, the CEDD would follow up with the TD and Members.
  - (c) As for the proposal to provide inclusive play facilities in the public area of the open space, the Department had incorporated the relevant concepts into the design to provide suitable play facilities for children with different needs and of different ages.
19. Ms Joanne HA said that soft drink vending machines were generally installed at the parks managed by the LCSD, and it was expected that the Department would consider providing such facilities under the TCNTE project.
20. Mr WONG Man-hon reiterated that he hoped the CEDD would connect the cycle tracks in the three villages in Tai Ho with the future MTR Siu Ho Wan Station, and provide additional bus stops in the vicinity of Road P1 to facilitate the travelling of villagers in Tung Chung East.
21. Ms WONG Chau-ping said that a new Tung Chung West Station would be constructed on the Tung Chung Line Extension and she believed that residents of Mun Tung Estate, the future Areas 42 and 46 and the 19 villages would travel to the above-mentioned MTR station on foot or by bicycle, therefore she hoped the CEDD would link up the cycle tracks in the villages with the cycle tracks in the town centre. In addition, she reiterated her hope for the Department to take note of the channel dredging for Tung Chung Stream.
22. Mr YIP Pui-kei expressed his view as follows:
- (a) According to the design plan provided by the Department, the open space development was divided into several zones. He asked the Department whether the project would be carried out in phases. In addition, since flat in-take for the housing estates in the western part of the reclamation area would take place first, he suggested that the works in the western part should be carried out first, followed by the works in the eastern part.
  - (b) According to his understanding, there was only one basketball court managed by LCSD in Tung Chung District, which was far less than the number of soccer pitches managed by the Department in the district. He opined that the number of the various types of ball games facilities was disproportionate, therefore he hoped the Department would strike

a balance in this connection. In addition, since the facilities under the TCNTE project would not be completed until 2030, he hoped the Department could provide simple facilities for ball games before that.

- (c) Currently, traffic congestion occurred on Ying Hei Road and Yi Tung Road from time to time. Since the two roads would be connected with Road P1 and Road L3 respectively in the future, he expected that the traffic at the junction of Yi Tung Road and Ying Hei Road would be even busier by then. In this regard, he hoped the departments would consider optimising the design of the relevant road sections, such as setting up roundabouts. In addition, he expected that pedestrians would use the road less after the proposed footbridges came into operation.

23. Mr HO Siu-kei hoped the CEDD would improve the cycle track network and recreational facilities in the district.

24. Mr Stanley CHENG made a consolidated response as follows:

- (a) Regarding the proposal to connect the cycle tracks under the Tung Chung New Town Extension (TCNTE) project to the cycle tracks in the three villages in Tai Ho, the CEDD would follow up with the TD and Members.
- (b) The Department would follow up with the TD on the proposed addition of bus stops on Road P1.
- (c) The open space development would be implemented in phases from the western part to the eastern part of the reclamation area.

25. Mr Raymond PANG said that the CEDD had reserved flexibility in the open space development in TCNTE for the LCSD to consider development of recreational and sports facilities in the future. The LCSD would closely monitor the utilisation of recreational and sports facilities and views of the public. In the light of the public demand for recreational and sports facilities and the latest population development in the district, the LCSD would timely consider the plans and details of the relevant recreational and sports facilities to meet the public demand. As regards Members' proposal to construct ball courts in one go under Stage 1 of the CEDD's open space development, the LCSD would explore its feasibility with the CEDD.

(Post-meeting note: The LCSD referred Members' proposal for including construction of ball courts under Stage 1 of the open space development to the CEDD for consideration after the meeting. The CEDD replied that as the main purpose of the open space development was to provide green open space suitable for passive activities, the Department had no plan to construct additional ball courts under the project.)

26. Ms Sharon WU made a consolidated response as follows:
- (a) Regarding the proposal to connect the cycle tracks in the villages in Tung Chung West to the future Tung Chung West MTR Station, the CEDD would construct cycle tracks on Road L31 outside the Tung Chung West Station to link up with the cycle track network of Yu Tung Road, Chung Mun Road and Road L29, so that cyclists would be able to access the villages in Tung Chung West via Yu Tung Road.
  - (b) As the Tung Chung River was a river with ecological value, it was necessary to consult the relevant departments before carrying out the clearance work at the location concerned. The CEDD had liaised with the DSD and would conduct a site visit with the DSD to follow up on the matter.
  - (c) As regards the proposed conversion of the junctions of Tung Chung Waterfront Road/Yi Tung Road and Ying Hei Road/Ying Tung Road into roundabouts, according to the traffic assessment, with the commissioning of the footbridges and the removal of the at-grade pedestrian crossing facilities at Ying Hei Road and Tung Chung Waterfront Road, it was expected that the above two junctions would have sufficient capacity to cope with the future traffic flow. The Department proposed reviewing with the TD the traffic conditions after the commissioning of the footbridges upon completion of the works in the future and exploring improvement measures if necessary.
27. Mr WAN Yeung-kin suggested that the LCSD should provide ball court facilities instead of sports grounds in the new extension area.
28. The Chairman asked the LCSD to construct suitable recreational facilities at the reserved sites to meet the needs of the community.
29. Mr Stanley CHENG said that the CEDD and the consultant would follow up on Members' proposals and hoped that Members would support the infrastructure works and open space development for Phase 2 of the TCNTE project and the funding application. The Department was striving to seek funding approval for the works from the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council next year to tie in with the implementation timetable of the TCNTE project.
30. The Chairman invited Members to vote on whether to support the CEDD's Phase 2 of the TCNTE project. Members expressed unanimous support.

III. Question on the general out-patient service and Chinese medicine out-patient service of public hospitals in the Islands District  
(IDC Paper No. 44/2024)

31. The Chairman drew Members' attention to the IDC Paper No. 44/2024, and

welcomed Ms LEE Suet-ye, Snowdy, Manager (Chinese Medicine Department) and Dr LUK Wan, Consultant (Family Medicine & Primary Health Care), Kowloon West Cluster of the Hospital Authority (HA) to the meeting to respond to the question. The written reply of the HA on the general out-patient service and Chinese medicine out-patient service in the Islands District had been distributed to Members for perusal before the meeting.

32. Mr YU Hon-kwan briefly presented the question.

33. Dr LUK Wan said that the HA recognised the strong demand for public healthcare services from residents of the Islands District. The Authority had taken a number of measures to enhance the general out-patient services at the North Lantau Hospital, including recruiting additional part-time doctors to enhance the service capacity of the clinic; and taking forward the multi-disciplinary chronic disease management programmes and increasing the types of medicines to help stabilise the conditions of chronic disease patients and lengthen the intervals between their follow-up consultations, so as to optimise the use of consultation quotas. The Authority would continue to tie in with the overall policy development of the Government and keep a close watch on the utilisation of public primary healthcare services, with a view to providing appropriate general out-patient services to the major service users.

34. Ms Snowdy LEE presented the written reply of the HA, and pointed out that the annual quota for government-subsidised Chinese medicine out-patient services had been substantially increased by more than 30% from about 600 000 in 2020 to 800 000 in 2023. The Chinese Medicine Clinics cum Training and Research Centres (CMCTRs) also made corresponding arrangements, including recruiting additional staff and upgrading their facilities. The HA and the Health Bureau (HHB) would continue to monitor the service utilisation of all CMCTRs in Hong Kong and endeavour to enhance their services to meet the public demand for Chinese medicine services.

35. Mr YU Hon-kwan understood the difficulties faced by the HA in the provision of public healthcare services and commended the Authority for making the best use of the limited resources to meet the needs of the public. In addition, he thanked the Kowloon West Cluster for its proactive follow-up actions, including meeting with Members on the captioned issue and organising a training workshop on the “HA Go” mobile application at the North Lantau Hospital on 2 September this year. He hoped that the relevant departments would continue to work with Members to serve the public.

36. Mr LUO Chenghuan expressed his views as follows:

- (a) At present, Pok Oi Hospital Chinese Medicine Mobile Clinics only provided consultation services at Yu Tung Court and Yat Tung Estate on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, and the evening consultation services were only available on one day, which was

insufficient to cope with the demand of the residents in the district. In this connection, he suggested that the Chinese Medicine Mobile Clinics should provide one more day of evening consultation services and set up additional service points on Tuesdays and Fridays in private housing estates in Tung Chung, such as Caribbean Coast, Coastal Skyline and Tung Chung Crescent, etc.

- (b) He suggested that the Government should step up publicity on Chinese medicine services, such as organising thematic seminars on Chinese medicine and allocating more resources to increase the number of Chinese medicine service points, so as to provide more healthcare choices for the residents.

37. Ms LAU Shun-ting hoped that the Hong Kong East Cluster (including Lamma Island, Cheung Chau and Peng Chau) would also organise training workshops on “HA Go” to help the elderly understand and use the “HA Go” mobile application.

38. Mr WAN Yeung-kin enquired whether the HA could send its staff to the rural committee (RC) offices on Lamma Island to organise training workshops on “HA Go” to teach the residents of the island how to use the mobile applications, and said that the RC was willing to provide the venues.

39. The Chairman enquired whether the HA could organise additional training workshops on “HA Go” as mentioned above.

40. Ms Snowdy LEE noted Members’ views and said that the HA would plan the development direction of the CMCTRs in line with the Chinese Medicine Development Blueprint currently being formulated by the Chinese Medicine Unit of the HHB. In addition, given that the CMCTRs did not provide mobile clinic services at present, she suggested that Members should reflect their views on the provision of additional Chinese medicine mobile clinic service points directly to the relevant sections.

41. Dr LUK Wan replied that regarding the proposal to organise additional training workshops on “HA Go”, the HA had been encouraging patients to make more use of the various functions in “HA Go”, and each cluster had its own promotional activities on “HA Go”. He said that he would relay the views to the relevant sections for follow-up after the meeting.

42. The Chairman suggested that if Members could provide suitable venues for the organisation of training workshops on “HA Go” and a certain number of residents in the district were interested in attending the workshops, Members could inform the Secretariat before 30 September this year. The Secretariat would forward the relevant information to Dr LUK for follow-up.

(Post-meeting note: The Secretariat forwarded the relevant information to Dr LUK Wan on 2 October this year for follow-up.)

IV. Question on the development of tour routes on the history of the War of Resistance  
(IDC Paper No. 45/2024)

43. The Chairman drew Members' attention to the IDC Paper No. 45/2024. The written reply of the Tourism Commission of the Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau (CSTB) had been distributed to Members for perusal before the meeting.

44. Mr YU Hon-kwan briefly presented the question.

45. Mr Jonathan CHOW expressed his views as follows:

(a) He enquired whether, apart from the trade or travel agents, local community organisations and committees under the Islands District Council could participate in the Characteristic Local Tourism Incentive Scheme (the Scheme) and the Deeper into Hong Kong: Creative Itinerary Design Competition (the Competition), so as to develop "tour routes on the history of the War of Resistance on the outlying islands".

(b) In addition, he suggested that to tie in with the youth development work in the district, young people could be trained as tour guides to educate tourists and residents about the history of the War of Resistance on the outlying islands.

(Post-meeting note: Regarding Mr CHOW's proposal in paragraph 45(b), the Secretariat forwarded the reply of the Islands District Office to Members for perusal on 23 October this year.)

46. Mr LUO Chenghuan said that the New Territories Association of Societies put forward five major initiatives at the recent press conference on In Search of the History of the War of Resistance on the Outlying Islands (「離島抗戰歷史尋蹤」), namely the establishment of a memorial hall, the erection of plaques and stone tablets, the erection of memorial stones, restoration of sites and enhancement of cultural conservation, as well as the development of tour routes on the history of the War of Resistance. He considered that the history of the War of Resistance on the outlying islands was an important subject for patriotic education, which would enable the younger generation to learn to cherish the peace and happiness that their predecessors had fought so bravely for, and encourage them to make new contributions to the prosperity and development of the country and Hong Kong.

47. Mr NG Choi-wah said that sites marking the War of Resistance could be found along some hiking routes in the Islands District, allowing tourists and residents to learn about the history of the war while hiking. However, as most of the sites were dilapidated due to lack of maintenance, he considered that government departments should commence restoration work as soon as possible.

48. Mr YU Hon-kwan said that the Islands District played an important role in patriotic education and tourism development, and agreed that the promotion of tourism development would depend on the active participation of different sectors. He believed that Members, community members and patriots would work together to actively promote the erection of memorial stones at historical sites and the incorporation of the relevant historical sites into the hiking routes on the outlying islands, so as to enhance the understanding of and the importance attached to the history of the War of Resistance by various sectors of the community.

49. The Chairman said that the Secretariat would reflect Mr Jonathan CHOW's enquiries and views on the Scheme and the Competition and Mr NG Choi-wah's proposal on the restoration of historical sites to the Tourism Committee after the meeting. In addition, Members were welcome to indicate the exact locations of the historical sites to be restored so that the Secretariat could assist in following up with the relevant parties.

(Post-meeting note: The Secretariat forwarded the replies of the Tourism Commission of the CSTB and the Antiquities and Monuments Office of the Development Bureau to Members for perusal on 23 October this year.)

V. Reports on the Work of the IDC Committees / Working Group  
(IDC Papers No. 46-51/2024)

50. Members noted and endorsed the papers unanimously.

VI. Any Other Business

51. No other business was raised by Members.

VII. Date of Next Meeting

52. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m. The next meeting would be held at 2:30 p.m. on 12 November 2024 (Tuesday).

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