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Minutes of Meeting of Islands District Council

Date : 12 May 2026 (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, MH
Mr CHOW Yuen-kuk, Jonathan
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, MH

Attendance by Invitation

Mr WONG Chun-yip, Mike

Senior Land Executive/Land Enforcement 3 (District Lands Office, Islands), Lands Department

Mr CHAN Fai

Senior Property Service Manager/Hong Kong Island and Islands, Housing Department

In Attendance

Mr MOK Mong-chan

Assistant District Officer (Islands)1, Islands District Office

Mr IP Cheuk-man, Ryerson

Assistant District Officer (Islands)2, Islands District Office

Mr LEE Sun-fu, Joe

Senior Executive Officer (District Management),
Islands District Office

Mr CHAO Ka-man, Stanley	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/15 (South and Sustainable Lantau), Civil Engineering and Development Department
Ms LAM Bun-ngee	District Social Welfare Officer (Central Western, Southern and Islands), Social Welfare Department
Mr NG Chi-shing	Chief Manager/Management (Hong Kong Island and Islands), Housing Department
Mr FUNG Wai-nok	District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Islands), Food and Environmental Hygiene Department
Ms NGO Mei-ling	Chief Health Inspector (Islands)1, 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
Mr LO Kwok-on	Police Community Relations Officer (Lantau District), Hong Kong Police Force
Mr TANG Wan-kin	Police Community Relations Officer (Marine Port District), Hong Kong Police Force
Mr FUNG Chi-man, Ernest	District Planning Officer/Sai Kung & Islands, Planning Department
Ms MAN Yuen-ling, Rachel	Chief Leisure Manager (New Territories West), Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Ms LAI Kit-ching, Maureen	District Leisure Manager (Islands), Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Ms YEUNG Yuk-shan, Doris	Chief Transport Officer/Islands (Acting), Transport Department
 <u>Secretary</u>	
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, and introduced the following representative of department:

- (a) Ms YEUNG Yuk-shan, Doris, Chief Transport Officer/Islands (Acting) of the Transport Department, who stood in for Mr AU Siu-fung, Kelvin.

I. Confirmation of the Minutes of Meeting held on 10 March 2026

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 and the minutes were confirmed unanimously.

II. Question on illegal structures and shopfront extension  
(IsDC Paper No. 23/2026)

3. The Chairman drew Members' attention to the IsDC Paper No. 23/2026, and welcomed the following guests who attended the meeting to respond to the question: Mr WONG Chun-yip, Mike, Senior Land Executive/Land Enforcement 3 (District Lands Office, Islands) (DLO/Is) of the Lands Department; as well as Mr FUNG Wai-nok, District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Islands) and Ms NGO Mei-ling, Chief Health Inspector (Islands)<sup>1</sup> of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD). The written replies of the DLO/Is and the FEHD had been distributed to Members for perusal before the meeting. The Chairman invited Mr NG Man-kit to briefly present the question.

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5. Mr Mike WONG responded that the DLO/Is mainly took enforcement action against fixed structures within the extended business areas of restaurants or shops. Regarding the cases with their irregularities rectified in March this year, the Department conducted another site inspection in April and found that the irregularities of the merchant concerned were identified again. The DLO/Is would continue to participate in joint operations to follow up on the relevant issues. In addition, in respect of enclosed unauthorised structures of domestic premises, apart from taking enforcement action as mentioned in its written reply, the Department would also refer the cases to the Buildings Department for consideration of taking corresponding enforcement action in accordance with the Buildings Ordinance (Cap. 123).

6. Mr FUNG Wai-nok responded that the FEHD would carry out enforcement against restaurants which illegally extended their business areas and shopfront extension. The Department had conducted a large-scale operation in April and initiated prosecutions against the non-compliant restaurants. The FEHD would continue to closely monitor the situation and take enforcement action in accordance with the relevant legislation, such as the Food Business Regulation and the Public Health and Municipal Services Ordinance (PHMSO).

7. Mr NG Man-kit expressed his views as follows:

- (a) He thanked the FEHD and the DLO/Is for their active follow-up on the captioned matters, but stressed that there were practical difficulties in

enforcement. He pointed out that after the DLO/Is staff finished their enforcement work and left, the restaurant staff would place the obstructing articles on the streets again, making the situation akin to a cat-and-mouse game.

- (b) The prosecutions initiated by the FEHD had no deterrent effect on the relevant shops. Some shops even replaced the canvas previously used for occupying the streets with heat-insulating fibreboards, whose inner layers were composed of combustible materials constituting a fire hazard. Some shop owners dismissed fines as rent and remained undeterred despite being prosecuted multiple times within a year. There were even merchants that extended their business areas across three shop units, which demonstrated the persistent deterioration of the non-compliant situation. In this connection, he suggested that the FEHD should introduce a demerit points system, so that the merchants would be aware that continued breaches could lead to the suspension or non-renewal of their licences, thereby creating a long-term and effective deterrent effect.
- (c) Some domestic premises and shops involved unauthorised building works. For example, there was a serious non-compliant case in which pillars were erected directly on the pedestrian walkway, with the extended area enclosed with aluminium panels or windows and the kitchen moved to the roadside. Some residents had doubts about the legality of the above acts. He was concerned that other residents might follow suit, making the situation even harder to control. Therefore, he urged the departments concerned to take the problem seriously and take stringent enforcement action.

8. Ms Mealoha KWOK expressed her views as follows:

- (a) She thanked the Islands District Office for its co-ordination, as well as the FEHD and the DLO/Is for their prompt follow-up on the residents' views.
- (b) The occupation of pedestrian walkways and emergency vehicular accesses in Cheung Chau by shops had persisted for many years. She pointed out that a resident, without authorisation, erected a house of about 350 sq. ft next to his/her original house on Chung Hing Street. The additional house had been demolished by the resident a few months ago, but was now rebuilt on the same site, arousing strong reactions from the residents.
- (c) At present, the departments took enforcement action upon receipt of complaints. However, the irregularities would recur after the staff left, indicating that the problem could hardly be eradicated by enforcement action. In this connection, she suggested that the departments should

explore feasible and sustainable measures for improving the local environment, such as conducting targeted enforcement in different areas on a rotational basis or arranging regular patrols in various areas, in order to sustain the deterrent effect of the measures, thereby addressing the problems of street obstruction and unauthorised building works which had plagued the residents for years.

9. Mr YU Hon-kwan expressed his views as follows:

- (a) Some Cheung Chau residents raised the captioned issues with him through the “Meet the Public Scheme”. The FEHD and the DLO/Is acted swiftly after he conveyed the residents’ views to them. However, as the enforcement was one-off in nature, the irregularities often recurred shortly afterwards.
- (b) At present, the problem was aggravated as the merchants not only occupied public land but also used fibreboards to build structures. Therefore, he agreed that the launch of sustainable environmental improvement measures and the introduction of a demerit points system were necessary. For new licence or licence renewal applications from shops or restaurants, he suggested that the departments should introduce a demerit points system similar to the Driving-offence Points System. For example, shops would have five points deducted each time for committing the offence of shopfront extension and those with 15 points deducted in total would have their licences revoked immediately and unauthorised structures removed forcibly. He opined that the concrete administrative arrangements for the system could be further studied by the departments, but stressed that actions must be taken as soon as possible and enforcement must be sustained to keep the streets in Cheung Chau clear and unobstructed.

10. Mr WAN Yeung-kin said that there were already various existing ordinances regulating street obstruction, including the PHMSO and the Land (Miscellaneous Provisions) Ordinance (LMPO). According to the PHMSO, merchants were prohibited from placing any tables, chairs or other miscellaneous articles beyond the confines of their shops, and offenders were liable to immediate prosecution. He considered stepping up enforcement to be the key to solving the captioned problems and suggested that the departments should issue tickets to merchants found placing miscellaneous articles beyond the confines of their shops right away. Such improper conduct should be deterred by economic means, such as by imposing a daily fine of \$6,000 on persistent offenders. At the same time, the DLO/Is could also prosecute merchants which occupied government land under the relevant ordinance. He considered that the departments should adopt a robust policy to holistically tackle the problem of occupation of government land.

11. Mr FUNG Wai-nok gave a consolidated response as follows:

- (a) As regards the extension of business areas by restaurants, some shops at the vicinity of Pak She, Cheung Chau had their applications for setting up outside seating accommodation (OSA) approved. Therefore, the Department's enforcement action mainly targeted unauthorised non-compliant practices.
- (b) Regarding the demerit points system mentioned by Members, the Department had prosecuted several non-compliant restaurants during its operation in April. Upon conviction, the restaurants concerned would have their points deducted immediately. The Department mainly followed this approach to take forward its overall enforcement action, and expected that the situation could be further improved with the strengthening of targeted prosecutions.

12. Mr Mike WONG said that the DLO/Is's enforcement action was subject to certain limitations. Under the LMPO (Cap. 28), the Department must give merchants a reasonable period to rectify or address the illegal occupation of land. If they complied with the relevant instructions within the stipulated period, the Department would be unable to take further action. He asked Members to understand that the DLO/Is had limitations when exercising its powers, and stressed that the DLO/Is would continue to carry out the necessary enforcement work.

13. Mr NG Man-kit expressed his views as follows:

- (a) The FEHD's existing prosecution work had no deterrent effect on the non-compliant shops. The merchants concerned dismissed fines as rent and remained unfazed even when being prosecuted twice within a month. He opined that if the Department prosecuted the non-compliant shops multiple times in a row within a month, the merchants might become more restrained and no longer occupy the land.
- (b) He raised the captioned matters with the relevant departments (including the Buildings Department) by email multiple times more than half a year ago, yet the situation at the vicinity of Pak She remained unchanged to date. He pointed out that although the problem of shopfront extension at the vicinity of Tai Shek Hau was promptly addressed, the streets there were obstructed by the merchants the following day again.
- (c) He suggested that the FEHD should immediately issue summonses to the non-compliant merchants and refer the cases to the court for handling; otherwise, the irregularities would occur repeatedly and even cause other merchants to follow suit. He pointed out that some merchants installed wheels at the bottom of the enclosed structures to facilitate their movement and assembly, and that they would obstruct the streets again within half an hour after the enforcement staff left. He considered this vicious cycle a waste of departmental resources and public money, and thus urged the departments concerned to take more

stringent measures to enhance the deterrent effect.

14. Mr YIP Pui-kei thanked the FEHD for specifying the number of enforcement actions taken and summonses issued in its written reply. He asked if the DLO/Is could provide similar enforcement data from past operations for reference. He also requested the departments to provide details of their enforcement work, including the frequency and duration of the operations, as well as their enforcement approaches (i.e. whether verbal warnings would be given prior to the issue of summonses), in order to understand whether there was room for them to further step up enforcement efforts.

15. Mr Ken WONG expressed his views as follows:

- (a) The LMPO (Cap. 28) had been repeatedly discussed at the meetings. The enforcement situation of the captioned matters was similar to the situation of dealing with the placing of vessels in Peng Chau in the sense that the irregularities would recur shortly after each enforcement operation, resulting in a waste of substantial resources. He urged the departments to face up to the problem and seek long-term solutions. He also suggested that the Lands Department should study the feasibility of refining the LMPO (Cap. 28) to eradicate the problems.
- (b) Regarding the FEHD representative's mention that some shops had been permitted to set up OSA, he was concerned if a particular suspected non-compliant shop had also obtained the necessary approval. In addition, he suggested that apart from imposing penalties, the departments should also encourage interested shops to follow the established procedures and submit applications for setting up OSA, thereby alleviating dissatisfaction among residents.

16. Mr Mike WONG gave a consolidated response as follows:

- (a) The DLO/Is's earlier enforcement action was mainly targeted at four shops. During the DLO/Is's inspection in March this year, the merchants concerned had complied with the instructions and restored the occupied areas to their original state. However, the irregularities were identified again during another inspection in April. Therefore, the DLO/Is issued warnings to the four shops again in May and gave them a reasonable period to rectify the problems. The DLO/Is would continue to follow up on the irregularities and take timely actions.
- (b) The DLO/Is indicated that of the shops concerned, four had already been permitted to set up OSA. He agreed with Members' suggestion that merchants which had not yet obtained the relevant permission could submit applications to the department concerned.

17. Mr FUNG Wai-nok gave a consolidated response as follows:

- (a) Regarding OSA, the FEHD was actively encouraging restaurants at the vicinity of Pak She Street which had not yet applied for the setting up of OSA to submit relevant applications. The Department believed that approval of OSA applications could be expedited and that the relevant practitioners would be encouraged to operate in accordance with the law under the new mechanism.
- (b) As for enforcement operations, the FEHD would consider including other locations facing the similar problems in its large-scale enforcement operations.

18. The Chairman thanked the representatives of the DLO/Is and the FEHD for their responses, and requested the DLO/Is to relay the views expressed by Members on the LMPO (Cap. 28) to the relevant section for consideration.

### III. Lantau District Operational Priorities 2026 (IsDC Paper No. 18/2026)

19. The Chairman drew Members' attention to the IsDC Paper No. 18/2026, and welcomed Mr LEE Cho-ming, Joe, District Commander (Lantau District) of the Hong Kong Police Force to the meeting to elaborate on the paper.

20. Mr LEE Cho-ming, Joe briefly presented the paper as follows:

- (a) Safeguarding national security remained one of the key priorities of the Police Force. Although the current social atmosphere was generally stable, the Police could still discover certain acts of "soft resistance", such as producing graffiti containing relevant messages. The Police would continue to safeguard national security through enforcement, publicity and education, and would co-organise activities with various local stakeholders to enhance residents' sense of national identity.
- (b) Illegal fueling stations emerged in the district as a result of the recent rise in fuel prices. In this connection, the Police, together with the Hong Kong Fire Services Department and the Hong Kong Customs and Excise Department, etc., took enforcement action against such irregularities. As illegal fueling stations posed a serious hazard to the safety of the community, the Police appealed to members of the public to report any suspected illicit fuel activities discovered immediately.
- (c) The current situations of drug and substance abuse among students and young people in the district were generally under control, with cannabis taking being the most common cases. Since the Government listed etomidate as a dangerous drug last year, no students had been arrested for possessing or consuming etomidate in the district. In addition, with effect from 30 April this year, no person shall possess specified

alternative smoking products, including e-cigarette capsules and heat sticks, in public places. The Police would strengthen co-operation with the Department of Health and take corresponding enforcement action, as well as educate students on the scourge of dangerous drugs through the Fight Crime Committee.

- (d) The number of deception cases in 2025 recorded a decrease, but still accounted for nearly half of the overall crime figures. The Police would continue to combat crime at source, such as taking actions against telephone cards and bank accounts involved in deception. In addition, the Police would step up international co-operation and district-level publicity efforts, such as collaborating with the Housing Department to broadcast promotional videos giving a brief account on the latest fraudulent means at the public places of public housing estates in the district, so as to enhance residents' vigilance.
- (e) A number of large-scale international events would be held in Hong Kong, including the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Finance Ministers' Meeting 2026 and the 94th INTERPOL General Assembly. The Police would step up counter-terrorism and patrol work to ensure that large-scale events were held in a safe and orderly manner.
- (f) The Police had been leveraging technologies to enhance policing services. For example, unmanned aircrafts were deployed for patrols in the district, and a self-service kiosk would be installed at the Mui Wo Ferry Pier in the third quarter of this year to facilitate residents in reporting lost properties. In addition, the Police would continue to enhance its manpower structure by using technologies to handle certain back-office work, in order to free more officers to perform frontline and patrol duties. For example, as the utilisation rate of the reporting centre in the Mui Wo Police Station was relatively low, the officers originally posted to the centre during late-night hours had been redeployed to perform patrol duties since September last year. Following the implementation of the above arrangement, the number of burglary cases in the first quarter of this year dropped from six to four compared with the same period last year; that of robbery cases remained at zero; and that of violent crime cases fell from over 50 to over 40, representing a decrease of about 8%.
- (g) The Police would continue to assist non-ethnic Chinese youths in the district in integrating into the community through the "Lantau SKY" project, and would provide them with advice and information on career development.
- (h) The Police would continue to distribute anti-burglary alarms in the public housing estates through the "Lantau Eyes" project to enhance the residents' awareness of burglary prevention. In addition, with the

support of charitable individuals, the Police started to install CCTV systems in rural areas, which were expected to help enhance the efficiency in detecting crime.

21. Mr YIP Pui-kei said that the continued development of the Tung Chung New Town led to the rapid population growth in the area, for which he considered that the Police should allocate more resources to the Islands District. The North Lantau Highway, which was a trunk road in the district, had been accident-prone in the past. In this connection, he asked the Police to advise on traffic management and ancillary facilities in the district, and to enhance the relevant facilities to improve traffic safety. In addition, as the newly moved-in residents in Tung Chung were generally younger, he considered that the Police could organise more youth activities.

22. Mr LAU Chin-pang expressed his views as follows:

- (a) A new type of deception emerged in the district recently, in which scammers, posing as staff of the Water Supplies Department, sent text messages to the citizens, claiming that they had failed to pay their water charges and thus the water supply to their premises would be terminated. The Police found that the relevant deception cases were concentrated in a particular public housing estate in the district, and therefore took the initiative to contact him to arrange the organisation of anti-deception talks in such estate. He appreciated the Police's proactive efforts in organising publicity activities in the community which he considered to be highly effective.
- (b) As there were a significant number of non-ethnic Chinese youths in Yat Tung Estate and Mun Tung Estate, he looked forward to strengthening co-operation with the Police in future to jointly take forward the work in support of non-ethnic Chinese residents.

23. Mr HO Siu-kei said that the intake of residents of the new public housing estates in Tung Chung was in train. In this connection, he enquired with the Police about the measures to be put in place to cope with the future population growth so as to maintain law and order in the area.

24. Mr LEE Cho-ming, Joe gave a consolidated response as follows:

- (a) He understood that Members were very concerned about the population growth of the Tung Chung New Town. Since the intake of residents of Cheung Tung Estate last year, the Police had been co-operating with various Members to brief the new residents in advance on the law and order situation and potential risks in the area, thereby enhancing their vigilance. The Police had been closely monitoring the number of reports and crime trends there. Despite the continuous population growth, the number of reports and crime cases had not shown upward trends. The Police would continue to optimise manpower deployment

and step up the application of technologies to enhance the efficiency of crime prevention and detection.

- (b) Prior to the intake of residents of new public housing estates, the Police would collaborate with the Housing Department and the Transport Department, etc. to formulate a set of procedures in the areas to ensure that loading and unloading, renovation and security work, etc. would be carried out in an orderly manner. As law and order in Cheung Tung Estate had been satisfactory since its intake of residents, the Police would continue to adopt a proactive and inter-departmental collaborative approach to maintain order in the area.
- (c) The Police would continue to step up publicity and education work for young people, covering areas such as a sense of national identity and the scourge of drugs, in order to help them develop proper values since small.

25. Mr HO Siu-kei asked if the Police would increase its frontline manpower in the district to strengthen its routine patrols and community liaison work in response to the population growth.

26. Mr LEE Cho-ming, Joe said that one of the Police's key priorities this year was to replace some back-office work with technology while reviewing counter services with low utilisation rates, in order to redeploy the relevant officers to frontline posts to enhance the frontline police strength.

#### IV. Marine Port District Operational Priorities 2026 (IsDC Paper No. 19/2026)

27. The Chairman drew Members' attention to the IsDC Paper No. 19/2026, and welcomed Mr TANG Wan-kin, Police Community Relations Officer (Marine Port District) of the Hong Kong Police Force to the meeting to elaborate on the paper.

28. Mr TANG Wan-kin briefly presented the paper as follows:

- (a) The Police attached great importance to the work on safeguarding national security, and would seek public support by raising the public awareness of national security.
- (b) To combat triad societies, criminal syndicates and organised crime, the Police would strengthen intelligence-led operations and inter-departmental collaboration (with, for example, the Hong Kong Customs and Excise Department) to combat illegal activities involving the use of high-powered speedboats. In addition, it had set up a drone cadre and conducted irregular patrols in Cheung Chau and Lamma Island, which achieved satisfactory results.

- (c) To enhance public safety and manage public events, apart from ensuring order and safety at public events, the Police would also effectively deploy resources and enhance the preparedness and response capabilities for rescue, evacuation and the aftermath of major incidents and extreme weather conditions.
- (d) In relation to counter-terrorism work, the Police would continue to maintain effective co-operation with local and overseas law enforcement agencies to ensure the protection of critical infrastructure, international shipping and port security facilities.
- (e) The Police would actively combat violent crime, technology crime and deception, etc. and enhance public awareness through public-private partnership and multi-agency approach, in order to prevent and combat technology crime and deception, particularly telephone, Internet and social media deception.
- (f) He expressed his gratitude to Members for their support for the Police's work over the past years, which had enabled the effective implementation of the anti-deception publicity and education work in the community.

29. Mr HO Siu-kei enquired if the Police had taken enforcement actions with the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department against illegal fishing activities in Tai O to prevent and combat such activities.

30. Mr Clive WALTON said that under the arrangement of the Security Bureau, the Police held a meeting with the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department in March, and since then it had been collaborating closely with the Department on combating illegal fishing activities to assist it in instituting prosecutions. Over the past 40 days, the Police had detected a total of four cases involving illegal fishing, one of which occurred the day before this meeting, in which a fishing vessel was detained and six persons concerned were arrested.

V. The Housing Department's 2026/27 Estate Management Action Plan for Islands District  
(IsDC Paper No. 20/2026)

31. The Chairman drew Members' attention to IsDC Paper No. 20/2026, and welcomed Mr CHAN Fai, Senior Property Service Manager/Hong Kong Island and Islands of the Housing Department (HD) to the meeting to elaborate on the paper.

32. Mr CHAN Fai briefly presented the paper as follows:

- (a) The HD would implement various estate improvement works

programmes to provide residents with a safe and comfortable living environment, including:

- (i) implementing the Responsive In-flat Maintenance Services in the public housing estates in the district on a continuous basis to provide enhanced and responsive in-flat maintenance services for all tenants.
  - (ii) replacing the lighting systems in the estate common areas with lower-energy LED light fittings.
  - (iii) implementing lift modernisation works or installing the latest safety devices for the ageing lifts in the estates.
  - (iv) implementing fire safety improvement works in Lung Tin Estate and Cheung Kwai Estate in phases according to the Fire Safety (Buildings) Ordinance, including replacing the old wooden doors of pipe duct rooms and electrical rooms inside the buildings with fire-rated wooden doors with fire certificates, and ensuring that the buildings' passageways were kept unobstructed.
- (b) The HD would maintain estate cleanliness and environmental hygiene to promote healthy and harmonious living in a sustainable way, including:
- (i) monitoring and following up on the situations and problems of rodent and mosquito infestations, as well as stagnant water black spots in the estates on a continuous basis. The Department would deploy alcohol rodent trapping devices, T-shaped bait boxes and thermal imaging cameras at rodent black spots, and conduct joint cleaning operations with relevant government departments and various estate stakeholders. In addition, in view of the approaching rainy season, the Department would step up efforts in tackling stagnant water black spots in the estates to ensure clearance of drainage channels.
  - (ii) installing "mobile digital CCTV systems" near black spots of throwing objects from height for surveillance purposes.
  - (iii) enhancing cleaning and disinfection at black spots of feral pigeon congregation and taking enforcement action to combat illegal feeding of feral pigeons in the estates.
  - (iv) strengthening environmental protection work and promoting environmental awareness in the estates by encouraging tenants to recycle domestic wastes (including regulated electrical equipment, used batteries and glass bottles, etc.). Furthermore, the

Department would promote environmental protection and waste reduction to residents through multiple channels such as estate newsletters.

- (c) To further strengthen communication with residents, the estate offices would collect residents' views on matters concerning estate management through channels such as online platforms and suggestion boxes placed in the ground floor lobbies of public housing blocks.

33. Mr LAU Chin-pang expressed his views as follows:

- (a) Many residents of Yat Tung Estate (especially lower-floor tenants) said that a lot of feral pigeons congregated and nested at window sills and air-conditioning platforms, leaving droppings that were difficult to clean behind. He had conducted a site inspection with the staff of the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department (AFCD), and found about 80 to 100 feral pigeons congregating at the vicinity of Yat House and the Lai Shuk Ying Memorial Square and leaving a massive number of droppings there. Given that some individuals frequently fed feral pigeons in Yat Tung Estate, he requested the HD to strengthen estate management and enforcement to combat feeding activities and spray pigeon repellents at relevant locations.
- (b) The drainage pipes of air-conditioners of all flats in Yat Tung Estate needed to be connected to those of external walls. However, the drainage pipes of external walls were prone to blockage, which resulted in stagnant water backflow and water dripping and caused nuisance to many tenants there. In this connection, he requested the HD to consider comprehensive replacement of the drainage pipes of air-conditioners of external walls in Yat Tung Estate.

34. Mr YIP Pui-kei expressed his views as follows:

- (a) Some individuals (including food delivery couriers) rode bicycles or electric bicycles at high speeds within the estates, endangering the safety of the residents. In this connection, the HD should take corresponding combating measures.
- (b) Given that some estate facilities (including children's playgrounds and basketball courts) in Tung Chung were ageing, in particular the rooftop basketball court in Yat Tung Estate, he requested the HD to carry out facility refurbishment works as soon as possible and provide additional elderly fitness facilities in the estates.
- (c) As the rainy season was approaching, he suggested providing additional drainage facilities at the pedestrian walkway in Fu Tung Estate, which was a flooding black spot.

- (d) The air exhausts of the ventilating systems in the markets and cooked food stalls of some estates were ageing or inadequately cleaned, resulting in poor ventilation. In this connection, he requested the HD to contact the relevant tenants for follow-up actions.
- (e) Regarding the situation of illegal smoking discovered in some estates, he understood that the HD faced certain practical difficulties in enforcement, and was of the view that the relevant regulations should grant frontline enforcement officers more flexibility.

35. Mr NG Choi-wah said that many residents were concerned about the temporary shutdown of the buildings' fire service installation and equipment (FSIs) due to maintenance works. In this connection, he requested the HD to explain the relevant operational mechanism to facilitate further explanation to the residents.

36. Mr LUO Chenghuan said that the captioned work plan was detailed and the measures were targeted, which would help improve estate management work. He suggested aligning the anti-rodent and anti-mosquito works of the estates with campaigns with the same themes organised by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department to achieve greater effectiveness.

37. Ms Mealoha KWOK expressed her views as follows:

- (a) Two housing estates in Cheung Chau were close to the hillside, and the dense vegetation led to infestations of mosquitos and biting midges. In this connection, the HD should arrange regular weeding and strengthen its anti-mosquito and anti-biting midge efforts.
- (b) Some individuals rode electric bicycles at high speeds in the two housing estates in Cheung Chau, thereby posing safety hazards. As the situation had not significantly improved despite the HD's notices, she urged the Department to step up publicity and education.
- (c) The problem of stray dogs at Cheung Kwai Estate in Cheung Chau had troubled residents for years. More than ten stray dogs congregated there every night, and some residents reported being chased by dogs. In this regard, she suggested that the HD should draw reference from the AFCD's plan of setting up infrared cameras at the housing estates in Cheung Chau to monitor the appearance of wild pigs, in order to set up similar devices at stray dog black spots in Cheung Kwai Estate (especially the basketball court) to monitor and follow up on the situation of stray dogs.

38. Mr HO Siu-kei said that many pedestrians jaywalked at the roundabout near the Yat Tung Estate Bus Terminus in Tung Chung, resulting in vehicle-pedestrian conflicts and even dangerous situations. In this connection, he requested the HD to

review the provision of railings at the location concerned and study the feasibility of adding a pedestrian crossing there.

39. Mr CHAN Fai gave a consolidated response as follows:

- (a) The HD would step up enforcement to combat the feeding of feral pigeons in the estates, and would collaborate with the AFCD to spray pigeon repellents at affected locations depending on actual needs and preferences of the residents.
- (b) The Department had planned the progressive replacement of the ageing drainage pipes of air-conditioners in the estates to rectify the situation of water dripping from air-conditioners. It had also planned the refurbishment and additional provision of facilities (including elderly fitness facilities, children's playgrounds and basketball courts) in the estates. It would discuss matters concerning relevant facilities, such as their designs, with stakeholders in a timely manner.
- (c) Regarding the situation of individuals riding bicycles at high speeds in the estates, the Department would display more notices and further issue verbal warnings to repeat offenders, and would also explore installing railings or road kerbs at black spots.
- (d) During inclement weather, the Department would pay special attention to stagnant water black spots in the estates (such as walkway covers), and would arrange for frontline estate management staff to step up their efforts in inspection and clearance. In addition, the Department would consider adding drainage facilities at the relevant black spots.
- (e) If the air exhausts of the ventilating systems in the estate markets were found to be malfunctioned, the Department would discuss the rectification methods with the relevant tenants.
- (f) The Department would step up enforcement against illegal smoking acts in the estates with the Tobacco and Alcohol Control Office of the Department of Health, and had instructed frontline security guards to dissuade persons who smoked illegally in an appropriate manner. For residents who smoked illegally in their own estates, the Department would handle their misdeeds through the "Marking Scheme for Estate Management Enforcement".
- (g) The Department would maintain close liaison with the Fire Services Department regarding cases in which the buildings' FSIs needed to be temporarily shut down due to maintenance works, and report on the status of the deactivated FSIs in various estates to the headquarters monthly. It would closely monitor the situation and ensure that the FSIs would resume operation as soon as possible upon the completion

of the maintenance works.

- (h) The Department would collaborate with the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department to strengthen anti-rodent and anti-mosquito measures within the estates.
- (i) Given that Cheung Kwai Estate and Nga Ning Court in Cheung Chau were close to the hillside overgrown with weeds, the Department would step up grass cutting and anti-mosquito work in view of the approaching summer.
- (j) The Department would explore the installation of infrared camera monitoring systems at stray dog black spots (such as the basketball court at Cheung Kwai Estate) with the AFCD and conduct joint capture operations with it where necessary.
- (k) Regarding pedestrian safety at the roundabout near the Yat Tung Estate Bus Terminus, the Department would deploy staff to conduct site inspections there and explore improvement proposals (such as adding railings), with a view to striking a balance between safeguarding pedestrian safety and facilitating residents in crossing the road.

40. Mr HUI Chun-lung said that under the current total smoking ban which covered all the common areas of public housing estates, there was a smoking area in Fu Tung Estate near the Tung Chung Health Centre and a Chinese medicine clinic. Although the notice posted outside the health centre had clearly stated that smoking was prohibited within three metres of the centre, the act of smoking in the smoking area would still pose health risks to persons entering and leaving the centre (especially patients, infants, young children and elderly persons).

41. Mr CHAN Fai responded that the HD would explore the feasibility of relocating the aforementioned smoking area to minimise the impact on the public.

VI. Islands District Office 2026 to 2027 Annual Work Plan  
(IsDC Paper No. 21/2026)

42. The Chairman drew Members' attention to the IsDC Paper No. 21/2026 and briefly presented the paper as follows:

- (a) The appointment lists for the new terms of the four District Committees under the Islands District Office (IsDO) were announced at the end of March this year. The first meetings of the District Committees would be held successively from late May to early June this year. She hoped that the new terms of the District Committees could continue to make proactive efforts in community liaison and building, with a view to promoting continuous development of the district.

- (b) The second-term full-scale services of Care Teams had commenced in October 2025. She hoped that the District Council (DC) would continue to work closely with the ten Care Teams of the Islands District to jointly benefit the community.
- (c) The IsDO would continue to implement the Community Involvement Programme and the District-led Actions Scheme. A number of hygiene black spots in the Islands District had been included in the District-led Actions Scheme. If Members identified any new locations in the district that were not covered, they could inform the IsDO at any time. The IsDO would deploy staff to conduct site inspections as soon as possible and include the locations concerned in the scheme for follow-up actions where necessary.
- (d) The “Islands District Youth Development and Civic Education Committee” and the “Islands District Youth Community Building Committee” under the IsDO would continue to promote youth work in the district. In addition, the “Islands District Youth Development Network Programme” under the IsDO currently consisted of about 600 members. Over the past year, the programme had organised about 30 activities, with a participation rate as high as 99%. The IsDO would commence recruitment of new trainees in June this year and hoped to continue receiving active support from schools and youth groups in the district.
- (e) The IsDO would continue to push ahead with the building management work and the District Minor Works Programme in the district.
- (f) The “Mobile Meeting Room” introduced by the DC since last year had been receiving positive feedback, with some Members expressing that they were given more opportunities to reach out to the public. She hoped that Members would continue to support the “Meet the Public Scheme”, and welcomed Members to put forward their views on the relevant arrangements to the IsDO.
- (g) The 2026 Voter Registration Campaign was launched in April. The IsDO would assist the Registration and Electoral Office in carrying out voter registration and publicity work. In addition, the Rural By-election and the new term of Rural Ordinary Election were scheduled to be held in May 2026 and January 2027 respectively, and the IsDO was assisting in the relevant preparatory work.
- (h) To celebrate the 77th Anniversary of the Founding of the People’s Republic of China and the 29th Anniversary of the Establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, the IsDO would organise a series of celebratory events.

43. Mr LUO Chenghuan believed that with the joint efforts of the IsDO, relevant government departments, the DC, various District Committees and the Care Teams, the captioned plan would certainly achieve the expected results and greatly enhance the sense of achievement and happiness of members of the public.

VII. Study on Issues of Community Concern and Collection of Public Views 2026  
(IsDC Paper No. 22/2026)

44. The Chairman drew Members' attention to the IsDC Paper No. 22/2026 and invited Mr MOK Mong-chan, Assistant District Officer (Islands)<sup>1</sup> of the Islands District Office to briefly present the paper.

45. Mr MOK Mong-chan briefly presented the paper as follows:

- (a) According to the District Councils Ordinance and the Performance Monitoring Guidelines for Members of the District Councils, one of the functions of the DC and its Members was "to collect the views of the people in the District in respect of an issue specified by the Chairman of the DC, and to submit to the Government a summary of the views collected and the suggested corresponding measures".
- (b) The DC and its Traffic and Transport Committee (T&TC) had conducted surveys and submitted reports on two issues of community concern over the past two years, and had continuously discussed and followed up with relevant departments, leading to the implementation of a series of improvement measures to date. A summary of the measures concerned over the past year had been placed on the table for Members' perusal.
- (c) As mentioned in paragraph 4 of the captioned paper regarding "Issues of Community Concern 2026", the two previous issues, namely "Road Traffic Congestion Problem in Tung Chung Town Centre and Nearby Areas" and "Question on the Use and Parking of Bicycles (including Electric Bicycles)", had been consolidated into two sub-issues under "Ancillary Transport Facilities in the Islands District". Members should conduct research and collect public views according to the latest developments in the district, and by making reference to the improvement measures achieved over the past two years and the experience gained during the process.
- (d) Regarding the "Road Traffic Congestion Problem in Tung Chung Town Centre and Nearby Areas", with the continuous advancement of the Tung Chung New Town Extension, there had been an increasing number of residents moving into the new housing estates since last year, bringing about extra demand for transport facilities and services in the area. In

this connection, Members should focus their future research on the following areas and propose corresponding measures: the additional transport demand generated by the gradual intake of residents of the new estates; the ability of the existing and planned transport facilities and services in the area in meeting the needs of the new and existing residents in a timely manner; and the latest situations of and major changes in traffic congestion in the town centre and surrounding roads resulting from the aforementioned developments.

- (e) Regarding the “Question on the Use and Parking of Bicycles (including Electric Bicycles)”, the T&TC and relevant departments had been having discussions and taking actions over the past two years to clear illegally parked or abandoned bicycles through enforcement and administrative means, as well as publicity and education work. The measures, which aimed to prevent members of the public from parking illegally in high-traffic pier areas, were successful in alleviating the relevant problems. During the process, the T&TC could gain a deeper understanding of the objective constraints on resources and legislation, etc. regarding the above measures. Apart from monitoring the continuous implementation of the relevant enforcement and administrative measures by the departments, Members could also focus on the number of bicycle parking spaces in the district. The Islands District Office had consolidated the relevant information provided by the departments, including the locations, numbers and utilisation rates of the existing bicycle parking spaces in the district, as well as information of the proposed parking spaces, which had been placed on the table for Members’ perusal. He invited Members to evaluate the sufficiency or scarcity of the current and future numbers of parking spaces by considering the situation of illegal parking and residents’ demand for parking spaces in the district, and put forward concrete proposals on the locations and numbers of the additional parking spaces to be provided and the relevant implementation timetable.
- (f) As stated in paragraph 5 of the captioned paper, every Member was requested to select at least one sub-issue for research and collection of public views, and submit his/her research report to the Secretariat on or before 12 June 2026.

46. The Chairman supplemented and concluded as follows:

- (a) Although the problem of bicycle parking in the district had improved over the past two years, continuous monitoring of the situation remained necessary. She understood that Members were also concerned about the use of bicycles (including electric bicycles) in the district. At present, when residents in the district or other individuals, for the purpose of work, rode bicycles in areas with high pedestrian flow (including public housing estates), they might not be able to give full

consideration to pedestrian safety. Therefore, regarding the aforementioned research work, apart from focusing on the problem of road obstruction caused by bicycle parking, Members could also explore how bicycle users could avoid affecting the safety of pedestrians in their future reports.

- (b) She requested Members to conduct research, review the relevant work progress of the two sub-issues in a timely manner and take note of the T&TC's direction of discussion on the related issues, so that the Committee could formulate effective measures to continuously improve the traffic situations in the district.
- (c) The issues of concern for the DC were not limited to the aforementioned two issues. If Members identified other issues of great concern in the district in future, they were welcome to bring up the issues for further discussion.

VIII. Reports on the Work of the IsDC Committees / Working Group  
(IsDC Papers No. 24-29/2026)

47. Members noted and endorsed the above papers unanimously.

IX. Any Other Business

48. Mr WAN Yeung-kin stated that the Lamma Day Dragon Boat Race sponsored by the Islands District Office had been successfully held. On that day, over 20 teams (including those from Guangzhou and Zhongshan) participated in the standard dragon boat race. However, he pointed out that about 20 student teams had expressed interest in participating in the small dragon boat race, but the race was eventually cancelled due to the failure to rent a venue for storing the dragon boats. He added that due to the lack of space for storing the dragon boats, applications for donating dragon boats from enthusiastic individuals also had to be held in abeyance. He said that he had enquired with the Lands Department about the matter and was only told that the application concerned was under processing. In this connection, he urged the Islands District Office to assist in checking the application progress with the Department. He considered that there would be more room for procuring and storing dragon boats if the application was approved, which would help lower future operating costs and allow more young people to participate in dragon boating.

49. The Chairman requested the Secretariat to assist in following up with the Lands Department on the status of the aforementioned application for lease of a venue to store dragon boats by way of short-term tenancy after the meeting.

(Post-meeting note: The Secretariat forwarded the reply of the District Lands Office, Islands to Mr WAN on 16 June.)

X. Date of Next Meeting

50. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:01 p.m. The next meeting was scheduled to be held at 2:30 p.m. on 14 July 2026 (Tuesday).

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