The 11th Meeting of

the Culture, Recreation and District Facilities Management Committee of the Kowloon City District Council

Date: 19 October 2021 (Thursday)

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Venue: Conference Room, Kowloon City District Office

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Present:		Time of Arrival	Time of Departure
Chairman:	Mr PUN Kwok-wah	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Members:	Ms LEUNG Yuen-ting	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
	Mr LAM Tak-shing	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
	Mr CHEUNG King-fan	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
	Mr HE Huahan	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
	Mr NG Po-keung, MH	2:31 p.m.	End of Meeting
	Mr YEUNG Chun-yu	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
	Mr CHO Wui-hung, MH	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
	Mr HO Hin-ming, BBS,	2:35 p.m.	End of Meeting
	MH		
	Mr YANG Wing-kit	Start of Meeting	2:44 p.m.
	The Hon LEE Wai-king,	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
	Starry, SBS, JP		
Secretary:	Miss WONG Man-kei, Kate	Executive Officer (District Council) 3, Kowloon City District Office	
In Attendance:	Ms KWOK Lai-kuen, Eva	Senior Executive Officer (District Management), Kowloon City District Office	
	Mr LI Chi-him, Samson	Executive Office	r I (District Kowloon City
	Ms TONG Tak-yan, Amy	District Leisure Manager (Kowloon City), Leisure and Cultural Services Department	
	Ms WONG Chung-tai, Ann	Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) (Kowloon City), Leisure and Cultural Services Department	
	Mr WONG Chung-nam	Deputy District Leisure Manager (Kowloon City) 2, Leisure and Cultural Services Department	
	Ms HO Wing-sze, Marianna	Senior Manager (Leisure and Cu Department	Kowloon West),

Ms CHAN Pik-mei, Meimei Manager (Kowloon West),

Marketing, Programme and District Activities. Leisure and Cultural

Services Department

Mr LO Hing-kwan Senior Librarian (Kowloon City),

Leisure and Cultural Services

Department

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Opening Remarks

1. **The Chairman** of the Culture, Recreation and District Facilities Management Committee (CRDFMC) welcomed the committee members and representatives of government departments to the 11th meeting of the CRDFMC.

2. Before proceeding to the discussion of agenda items, **the Chairman** reminded the committee members to declare interests in accordance with the Standing Orders of the Kowloon City District Council (Standing Orders). If the matters to be discussed gave rise to conflict of interests with their property rights, profession or investment, they should make a declaration prior to the discussion so that he would consider if it was necessary to ask the committee members concerned to exit from the meeting during the discussion or voting. In addition, according to Order 36(2) of the Standing Orders, the quorum for the committee meetings was half the number of committee members. As the CRDFMC had 11 committee members, once a committee member pointed out that there were less than 6 members present at the meeting, he would adjourn the discussion at once and ask the Secretary to call the absentees to return to the conference room. If the quorum was still not reached after 15 minutes, he would terminate the meeting immediately.

Item 1 Election of the Vice-chairman of the CRDFMC of the KCDC

- 3. **The Chairman** invited Mr YANG Wing-kit, the Chairman of the KCDC, to preside over the election of the Vice-chairman of the CRDFMC of the KCDC.
- 4. **Mr YANG Wing-kit** remarked that the Secretariat only received one valid nomination at the close of the nomination period, thus he declared that the nominee, the Hon Starry LEE, was elected as the Vice-chairman of the CRDFMC uncontested.

Confirmation of Minutes of the 10th Meeting

5. **The Chairman** declared that the minutes of the 10th meeting were unanimously endorsed by the Committee without amendments.

Item 3

Call for Providing Various Kinds of Fitness Equipment at Broadcast Drive Garden (Paper No. 46/21)

- 6. **Mr HO Hin-ming** introduced the Paper and hoped that the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) could provide various kinds of fitness equipment at the abovementioned garden.
- 7. **Ms Amy TONG, District Leisure Manager (Kowloon City) of the LCSD**, responded that the LCSD had conducted a site visit on 27 September and would submit the suggestion of providing a set of pull-down machine to the Technical Section of the LCSD for conducting a feasibility study.

Item 4

Request for the Installation of a Gate at the Exit of Broadcast Drive Garden with a Small Path Leading to Lung Cheung Road

(Paper No. 47/21)

- 8. **Mr CHEUNG King-fan** presented the Paper, hoping that the LCSD could install metal railings or a gate that would close automatically at the abovementioned location in order to prevent children playing in the park from dashing into Lung Cheung Road and having accidents.
- 9. **Ms Amy TONG of the LCSD** responded with the main points as follows:
 - (i) since the passage at the above location was narrow, the installation of a gate would obstruct wheelchair users from accessing the park.Therefore, it was not suitable to conduct the relevant works there; and
 - (ii) she noted the opinions raised and would take reference from them when the Department decided to improve and enhance the facilities in the garden in the future.

- 10. **Mr HO Hin-ming** understood the difficulties in the installation of a gate at the location concerned, hence, he advised the Highways Department (HyD) to install railings on the pavements at the aforementioned location.
- 11. **The Chairman** stated that Mr HO Hin-ming's suggestion fell outside the purview of the LCSD, and so he advised him to submit the suggestion at the corresponding committee.

Proposal of Painting the Ground of the Basketball Court at Hoi Sham Park Green (Paper No. 48/21)

- 12. **Mr LAM Tak-shing** introduced the Paper, saying that after the ground of the basketball court was painted blue, residents were not used to it and some even felt lightheaded and dizzy from looking at it. Therefore, he suggested that the LCSD should repaint the ground of the basketball court green.
- 13. **The Hon Starry LEE** raised the following suggestions and enquiries:
 - she hoped that the LCSD could consult more stakeholders when they decided to improve and enhance the facilities of the basketball court in the future; and
 - (ii) she remarked that there was often moss growing on the ground of the basketball court, and thus she asked the Department how often the ground would be resurfaced.
- 14. **Mr HO Hin-ming** pointed out that the eco-friendly bricks paved in the basketball court easily became a breeding ground for moss, therefore, he asked how often the Department would clean the ground.
- 15. **Ms Amy TONG of the LCSD** gave a reply with the main points as follows:
 - (i) as the renovation of the basketball court had just been completed, if the venue was closed again for repainting work of the ground in such a short period of time, the basketball court users would be affected and public money be wasted as well. Therefore, it was not a good time to carry out the works concerned;

- (ii) the Department would renovate the venue every eight years or so and would conduct repair works at once if small scale facilities were found damaged;
- (iii) the Department would continue to monitor the ground of the basketball court in the park concerned and maintain close communication with the Architectural Services Department (ArchSD). Repair works would be carried out timely when necessary; and
- (iv) cleaning contractors would clean the ground with high pressure water jets regularly.

The Issue of Lighting along the Pedestrian Lanes at the Avenue Park at Kai Tak (Paper No. 49/21)

- Mr HE Huahan presented the Paper, expressing that the lighting system along the pedestrian lanes at the Avenue Park at Kai Tak malfunctioned, posing a potential danger to the personal safety of pedestrians. He had reflected his opinions to the relevant departments for many times but so far no improvement was made. He urged the ArchSD, the LCSD and the contractors to provide an improvement measure.
- 17. **Mr NG Po-keung** said that the illuminated surface of street lights were easily blocked by leaves and dust, which would dim the light. He asked how often the LCSD carried out cleaning work on the lights.
- 18. **The Chairman** advised the keepers of the LCSD's parks to assist in the inspection of lampposts with malfunctioned lighting system and report its condition to the Department.
- 19. **Mr CHEUNG King-fan** hoped that the LCSD could step up inspections to prevent staff of contractors from smoking and spitting at the park so as to maintain environmental hygiene.
- 20. **Ms LEUNG Yuen-ting** enquired about the actual completion date of the Avenue Park at Kai Tak.

- 21. **Ms Amy TONG of the LCSD** responded with the main points as follows:
 - she would maintain close communication with the ArchSD and the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department in order to arrange contractors to carry out repair work at once when the lighting system malfunctioned;
 - (ii) a severe water seepage problem was found in the Avenue Park at Kai Tak and it would take time to repair the facilities. She had already urged the ArchSD and contractors to speed up the repair works but she was unable to provide an actual completion date for the time being; and
 - (iii) she would convey the problem of staff of contractors smoking and spitting everywhere at the park to the ArchSD and request them to take follow-up actions.
 - (i) from the Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD);
 - (ii) the project "Construction of a Rain Shelter near the GMB Stop on Prince Edward Road East near Sa Po Road" could only begin upon completion of the adjacent infrastructure works by the CEDD; and
 - (iii) the project team was preparing for the conduct of borehole testing for the "Preliminary Study on the Construction of a Walkway Cover at Exit D of Kowloon Tong MTR Station" with a view to determining the feasibility of the project.

Progress Report on the Minor Improvement Works for the Recreation Areas under LCSD in 2021-22 (September 2021)

(Paper No. 51/21)

- 28. **Ms Ann WONG, Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support)** (**Kowloon City**) of the LCSD, reported to the committee members on the progress of the district minor improvement works under the LCSD.
- 29. **Mr LAM Tak-shing** enquired about the progress of the projects "Installation of Water Dispensers at Station Lane Sitting-out Area" and "Conversion of a Kiosk at

Fat Kwong Street Garden No. 1 into a Changing Room and Toilet Facility".

- 30. **Ms Amy TONG of the LCSD** gave a reply with the main points as follows:
 - (i) earlier the ArchSD carried out works on the slope at Station Lane, thus the water dispenser project, being conducted next to the slope, had to be temporarily suspended. The relevant works had resumed and were expected to be completed and open to the public on 20 October; and
 - (ii) the LCSD followed up with the ArchSD on the alteration works in Fat Kwong Street Garden No. 1 and learned that due to the complexity of the power supply system, the project had been delayed and was expected to be completed by December.

Item 9

LCSD's Report on the Sports and Physical Recreation Activities Organised in Kowloon City District and the Management of Facilities (September 2021) (Paper No. 52/21)

- 31. **Ms Ann WONG of the LCSD** reported to the committee members on the various recreational and sports activities organised by the LCSD in Kowloon City District and the management of the recreational and sports facilities.
- 32. **The Committee** noted the Paper.

Item 10

LCSD's Report on the 18dArt — Kowloon City Community Arts Scheme in 2021-22, District Arts and Cultural Activities and the Use of Cultural Facilities (September 2021)

(Paper No. 53/21)

33. **Ms Marianna HO, Senior Manager (Kowloon West) of the LCSD**, reported to the committee members on the 18dArt — Kowloon City Community Arts Scheme run by the LCSD in 2021/22, district arts and cultural activities as well as the use of cultural facilities in the district.

34. **The Committee** noted the Paper.

Item 11

LCSD's Report on Public Library Promotion Activities and the Use of Library Facilities in Kowloon City District (September 2021) (Paper No. 54/21)

- 35. **Mr LO Hing-kwan, Senior Librarian (Kowloon City) of the LCSD**, reported to the committee members on the number of participants in the LCSD's public library promotion activities in Kowloon City District in May and August 2021 and the use of library facilities. He then went on to introduce the library promotion activities to be held from October to November 2021.
- 36. **The Committee** noted the Paper.

Item 12

Any Other Business

- 37. **The Secretary** stated that the Eighth Hong Kong Games would be held in April and May next year. As in the past, it was proposed that a Kowloon City District Athlete Selection Working Group be set up for the Eighth Hong Kong Games under this Committee with a view to discussing matters such as the preparatory work for the selection of athletes representing Kowloon City District.
- 38. **The Chairman** announced the establishment of the Kowloon City District Athlete Selection Working Group for the Eighth Hong Kong Games. The first meeting would be held at 11 a.m. on 26 October 2021. Later, the Secretary would invite the committee members to join the working group.

Date of Next Meeting

- 39. **The Chairman** announced that the next meeting would be held at 2:30 p.m. on 2 December 2021 and the closing date for submission of papers was 17 November 2021.
- 40. **The Chairman** announced that the meeting was adjourned at 3:14 p.m. The minutes of this meeting were confirmed on 2 December 2021.

The Chairman	The Secretary

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