Minutes of the 22nd Meeting of
Environment and Hygiene Committee,
the 5th Term Kwun Tong District Council

Date: 23 May 2018 (Thursday)
Time: 2:30 p.m.
Venue: Conference Room, Kwun Tong District Office,
Unit 05-07, 20/F Millennium City 6, 392 Kwun Tong Road,
Kwun Tong, Kowloon

Present:

Members

Mr CHEUNG Ki-tang (Chairman)  Mr LAI Shu-ho, Patrick, BBS, MH, JP
Mr LUI Tung-hai, MH (Vice-chairman) Mr OR Chong-shing, Wilson, MH
Mr BUX Sheik Anthony  Mrs POON YAM Wai-chun, Winnie, MH
Mr CHAN Chun-kit  Ms SO Lai-chun, MH, JP
Mr CHAN Wah-yu, Nelson, MH, JP  Mr TAM Siu-cheuk
Mr CHENG Keng-ieong  Mr TANG Wing-chun
Mr CHENG Keung-fung  Ms TSE Suk-chun
Mr CHEUNG Yiu-pan  Mr WONG Chi-ken
Mr HSU Hoi-shan  Mr WONG Chun-ping, MH
Mr HUNG Kam-in, Kin, MH  Mr YIP Hing-kwok, BBS, MH, JP
Ms KAM Kin

Co-opted Members

Mr CHEUNG Ka-wa  Mr HO Wing-tim

Representatives of Government Departments

Mr LEUNG Yat-king  District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Kwun Tong),
Food and Environmental Hygiene Department
Mr TANG Hing-kai, Marcus  Senior Environmental Protection Officer (Regional East),
Environmental Protection Department
Mr CHEUNG Fu-yuen, Francois Deputy District Leisure Manager (Kwun Tong)1, Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Mr CHAN Kwok-on, Kenny Housing Manager/Kowloon East 4, Housing Department

Mr KWAN Yee-lap Engineer/Kowloon (Distribution 4), Water Supplies Department

Mr CHIU Kwong-kin Assistant District Officer (Kwun Tong)2, Kwun Tong District Office

Miss CHOW Tak-sum, Amy Senior Executive Officer (District Management), Kwun Tong District Office

Mr LEE Yin-bun, Philip Senior Executive Officer (District Council), Kwun Tong District Office

Representatives of Government Departments/Organisations Present to Assist Discussion of Agenda Items

Agenda Item II – Proposed Works in Relation to Landing Steps along Seawall at Wing Shan Industrial Building

Mr LAU Chi-yuen, Spencer Senior Estate Surveyor/Kwun Tong (District Lands Office, Kowloon East), Lands Department

Mr CHENG Ho-yin, Henry Estate Surveyor/Kwun Tong Central (District Lands Office, Kowloon East), Lands Department

Mr Alvin YAU Chief Operating Officer, Ever Sun International Holdings Limited

Mr Rock TSANG Director, Lanbase Surveyors Limited

Ms Doris LEE Director, Associated Architects Limited

Mr Billy KO Associate Director (Ports and Marine, Transportation), AECOM

Ms Carmen CHU Director, Ove Arup & Partners HK Limited
Agenda Item III – Issue of Hawker License to Unlicensed Tradesmen

Mr SO Chi-keung           Chief Health Inspector 2,
                          Food and Environmental
Mr LAM Kok-tim           Senior Health Inspector (Food Surveillance)SD,
                          Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

Agenda Item IV – Installation of Internet Protocol Cameras at Illegal Refuse Deposit Blackspots

Mr LEE Chi-ho            Chief Health Inspector 1,
                          Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

Agenda Item V – Reprovision of Temporary Refuse Collection Point (RCP) at Wang Kee Street and Improvement Works in the Vicinity

Ms LAU Wai-yan, Sofia    Senior Place Making Manager (Design), Energizing Kowloon East Office,
                          Development Bureau
Mr CHO Hing, Nathan      Manager –Place Making Manager (Design) 1, Energizing Kowloon East Office,
                          Development Bureau
Mr LEE Chi-ho            Chief Health Inspector 1,
                          Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

Agenda Item VI – Community Participation Programme in Environmental Protection 2019/20

Mr CHEN Kin-wun, Edwin   Senior Environmental Protection Officer(Special Duties)1,
                          Environmental Protection Department
Mr CHOI Kim-ying, Eagle   Environmental Protection Officer(Waste Reduction & Recycling)91,
                          Environmental Protection Department

Secretary

Ms HANG Wing-sum, Claudia  Executive Officer (District Council)1,
                          Kwun Tong District Office
Absent:

Members

Mr AU YEUNG Kwan-nok  Mr HO Kai-ming, Jonathan
Mr CHAN Yiu-hung, Jimmy  Mr NGAN Man-yu

Co-opted Members

Mr CHEUNG Ka-wa  Mr LEE Yik-chun, Andrew

Opening Remarks

The Chairman welcomed Members of the Environment and Hygiene Committee (EHC) and government representatives to the meeting.

I. Confirmation of Minutes of Last Meeting

2. No other views were raised by Members and the minutes of the last meeting were confirmed.

II. Proposed Works in Relation to Landing Steps along Seawall at Wing Shan Industrial Building
(KTDC EHC paper No. 8/2019)

3. The Chairman welcomed Mr LAU Chi-yuen, Spencer Senior Estate Surveyor/Kwun Tong, District Lands Office Kowloon East, Lands Department (LandsD), Mr Henry CHENG, Estate Surveyor/Kwun Tong Central, District Lands Office, Kowloon East, LandsD, Mr Alvin YAU, Chief Operating Officer, Ever Sun International Holdings Limited, Mr Rock TSANG, Director, Lanbase Surveyors Limited, Ms Doris LEE, Director, Associated Architects Limited, Mr Billy KO Associate Director, Ports and Marine, Transportation, AECOM and Ms Carmen CHU Director, Ove Arup & Partners HK Limited, to the meeting.

4. Mr Henry CHENG, Estate Surveyor/Kwun Tong Central, District Lands Office, Kowloon East of the LandsD and Mr Alvin YAU, Chief Operating Officer of the Ever Sun International Holdings Limited, presented the paper.
5. A number of Members raised views and enquiries as follows:

5.1 A Member expressed concern about the impact of the proposed works on the connection to the waterfront promenade in Kwun Tong, traffic around the neighbouring area and environmental hygiene;

5.2 A Member enquired about whether the new landing steps were public places for the use of members of the public;

5.3 A Member suggested that the design of the proposed works should be compatible with the surrounding area by taking into account the resilience to wave impact; and

5.4 A Member suggested that life-saving facilities should be provided along the landing steps so as to ensure the safety of the public.

6. Mr Alvin YAU, Chief Operating Officer, Ever Sun International Holdings Limited, replied that resident site staff would be arranged by the consultant company to monitor the construction works during the construction period and additional silt curtains would be provided at the seawall to block floats effectively so as to ensure the works were in line with the construction safety standards.

7. Mr Rock TSANG, Director, Lanbase Surveyors Limited, added that the design of the waterfront promenade would be submitted to the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) for approval and the consultant company would continue to maintain communication with the developers of the adjoining Yau Tong Comprehensive Development Area (CDA) to ensure consistency in the promenade design and levelling.

8. Mr Billy KO, Associate Director, Ports and Marine, Transportation, AECOM, added that the technical design of the landing steps was subject to the approval of the Buildings Department (BD), the Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) and other relevant government departments before the formal commencement of the works. In accordance with the guidelines of the CEDD, safety measures would be provided along the landing steps and fences would be added to ensure the safety of users.

9. Mr Rock TSANG, Director, Lanbase Surveyors Limited, added that the landing steps were intended to be opened for public use and would be operated in accordance with the guidelines of the Marine Department (MD).
10. In regard to the temporary traffic arrangements, Ms Doris LEE, Director, Associated Architects Limited, added that the consultant company would submit application to the Buildings Department (BD) for site hoardings to ensure that the traffic flow met the regional traffic demand. The consultant company would also maintain close communication with the contractor on environmental matters.

11. A Member enquired whether a direct link would be provided to connect Wing Shan Industrial Building and Yau Tong Station after the redevelopment.

12. Mr Rock TSANG, Director, Lanbase Surveyors Limited, replied that it now took about 7 minutes to walk from Wing Shan Industrial Building to Yau Tong station. Provision of feeder bus services would also be considered later;

13. The Chairman enquired about the improvement measures in the vicinity after the revitalisation of Wing Shan Industrial Building.

14. Ms Carmen CHU, Director, Ove Arup & Partners HK Limited, responded that the design of the waterfront promenade would be submitted to the LCSD and relevant Government departments for approval. As for the footpath, road surfacing works would be conducted for refurbishment in order to tie in with the adjacent roads and the relevant design would be submitted to the Highways Department for approval.

15. It was suggested that the rights and responsibilities of government departments should be clarified before the proposed works started.

16. The Chairman concluded that Members expressed their support for the above works and suggested that the owner and contractor should monitor properly the environmental hygiene problems arising from the works. It was hoped that the works would commence as soon as possible and bring a new look to the Yau Tong area.

Members noted the paper.

III. Issue of Hawker License to the Unlicensed Tradesmen
(KTDC EHC paper No. 9/2019)

18. The Chairman welcomed Mr SO Chi-keung, Chief Health Inspector 2, Kwun Tong District Environmental Hygiene Office, and Mr LAM Kok-tim, Senior Health Inspector (Hawker), Hawkers Section (Kwun Tong), of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD), to the meeting.
19. Mr SO Chi-keung, Chief Health Inspector 2, Kwun Tong District Environmental Hygiene Office, FEHD, presented the paper.

20. A number of Members raised views and enquiries as follows:

20.1 It was reflected that the actual stall size of tradesman 1, who was a cobbler, had to include the area occupied by customers and the proposed location to be licensed was under the staircase of a footbridge. It was therefore suggested that the FEHD consider changing the proposed location to the back of the pillar of the footbridge so as to avoid obstructing the footpath; and

20.2 Enquiries were raised about the FEHD’s measures on monitoring the operating areas occupied by tradesmen.

21. The highlights of the response given by Mr SO Chi-keung, Chief Health Inspector 2, Kwun Tong District Environmental Hygiene Office, FEHD, were as follows:

21.1 The proposed location to be allocated to tradesman 1 was suggested by the tradesman to the FEHD. The FEHD would relay Members’ views to the tradesman. If the tradesman agreed to change the proposed location, relevant government departments and the local community had to be consulted on the amendment again before submitting it to the District Council (DC) for discussion; and

21.2 According to the regulations of issuing licenses to tradesmen, the upper limit of the stall size of tradesmen was 0.9 m x 1.2 m. In addition, licensed tradesmen must operate within the designated area and no structure shall be erected within the area. Tradesmen violating the above regulations would be liable to prosecution.

22. The Chairman enquired about the consultation procedures and time required after the tradesman amended the proposed location.

23. Mr SO Chi-keung, Chief Health Inspector 2, Kwun Tong District Environmental Hygiene Office, FEHD, replied that, after the tradesman agreed to amend the location, relevant government departments and local individuals would be consulted on the case. The consultation would take about a month to complete and the case was expected to be further discussed at the next meeting in July.
24. Mr LEUNG Yat-king, District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Kwun Tong), FEHD, supplemented that, as the proposed location to be allocated to tradesman 1 was suggested by the tradesman himself, the FEHD would consult the tradesman on Members’ views. The relevant consultation procedures and time for carrying out the consultation would be further arranged depending on the condition.

25. The Chairman concluded that Members supported issuing licenses to tradesman 2, tradesman 3 and tradesman 4 but not tradesman 1 due to the location problem. The location of tradesman 1 required further confirmation. The Chairman hoped the FEHD could step up the co-ordination with relevant departments and handle relevant licensing procedures as soon as possible.

26. Members noted the paper.

IV. Installation of Internet Protocol Cameras at Illegal Refuse Deposit Blackspots
(KTDC EHC paper No. 10/2019)

27. The Chairman welcomed Mr LEE Chi-ho, Chief Health Inspector 1, Kwun Tong District Environmental Hygiene Office, FEHD, to the meeting.

28. Mr LEE Chi-ho, Chief Health Inspector 1, Kwun Tong District Environmental Hygiene Office, FEHD, presented the paper.

29. A number of Members raised views and enquiries as follows:

29.1 It was reflected that furniture and refuse were disposed of in flower planters which were located in somewhere near Yau Tong Centre and at the junction of Ka Wing Street and Yan Wing Street. As those flower planters were under the purview of the LCSD, the FEHD was unable to perform law enforcement in accordance with its established procedures. Therefore, it was suggested that additional internet protocol cameras be provided at the concerned location;

29.2 It was suggested that additional internet protocol cameras be provided at the rock-armoured bund in Lei Yue Mun and the open space outside On Lee Sai Village;

29.3 Support was received for the scheme and enquiries were raised about the number of internet protocol cameras installed in Kwun Tong, enforcement statistics and
cases after the implementation of scheme;

29.4 Enquires were raised about the arrangements and handling methods of the FEHD in case of other new suggestions in regard to the locations for installing internet protocol cameras;

29.5 Enquiries were raised about the FEHD’s publicity work in regard to this scheme;

29.6 It was reflected that the actual number of complaints for the entrance of Amoy Plaza Phase 1 was greater than the number provided by the FEHD. Enquiries were raised about the operating hours of internet protocol cameras;

29.7 It was reflected that the problem of refuse disposal in Ting Yip Street was serious. It was suggested that the FEHD and relevant departments step up enforcement actions; and

29.8 Enquiries were raised about whether the FEHD would carry out a new round of consultation in regard to the locations of installing internet protocol cameras.

30. The highlights of the response given by Mr LEE Chi-ho, Chief Health Inspector 1, Kwun Tong District Environmental Hygiene Office, FEHD, were as follows:

30.1 The priority list of locations with the need to install internet protocol cameras had been formulated by the FEHD based on the amount of refuse collected at various locations, complaints received and enforcement statistic in the previous year. If Members had other new suggestions in regard to the locations for installing internet protocol cameras, the FEHD would consider providing additional internet protocol cameras and adjusting the installation priority depending on the situation, and would consult District Councilor of the concerned constituencies on relevant locations;

30.2 In regard to publicity work, the FEHD displayed giant banners at the locations where internet protocol cameras were installed and placed traffic cones within those areas so as to warn the public not to dispose refuse illegally; and

30.3 The FEHD promised to follow up on the condition of illegal disposal of refuse in the flower planters in Yau Tong Centre.
31. Mr LEUNG Yat-king, District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Kwun Tong), FEHD, added that, during the first and second stages of the scheme, cameras were installed in about 3 illegal refuse deposit blackspots in Kwun Tong respectively. If the scheme achieved significant results, the FEHD would consider installing cameras at other illegal refuse deposit blackspots in Kwun Tong.

32. The Chairman concluded that Members were in support of the scheme. The priority list was endorsed unanimously. The Chairman suggested Members with other new suggestions on the locations for installing internet protocol cameras relay their suggestions to the FEHD so that the FEHD could carry out relevant enforcement actions.

33. Members noted the paper.

V. Reprovisioning of Refuse Collection Point at Wang Chin Street and Improvement to the Adjacent Area
(KTDC EHC paper No. 11/2019)

34. The Chairman welcomed Ms Sofia LAU, Senior Place Making Manager (Design), and Mr Nathan CHO, Place Making Manager (Design) 1, of the Energizing Kowloon East Office (EKEO), to the meeting.

35. Ms Sofia LAU, Senior Place Making Manager (Design), EKEO, presented the paper.

36. The Chairman enquired about the detailed timetable of the works project.

37. Ms Sofia LAU, Senior Place Making Manager (Design), EKEO, replied that as the project was still at the feasibility study stage, the timetable of the works would be further reported when the DC was being consulted on the detailed design of the project later.

38. Two Members raised views and enquiries as follows:

38.1 It was reflected that the problem of insufficient parking spaces was serious in Kwun Tong. Enquiries were raised about whether the improvement project would consider expanding those car parks along Wang Kee Street to Wang Chin Street, such as providing additional car park floors or underground public smart car parks;

38.2 Enquiries were raised about the estimated time of submitting the specific design
of the project and the estimated works costs; and

38.3 Enquiries were raised about the details of improvement work for motorcycle parking spaces.

39. The highlights of the response given by Ms Sofia LAU, Senior Place Making Manager (Design), EKEO, were as follows:

39.1 The current temporary car park, which was the refuse collection point at Wang Chin Street proposed to be built, had a site area of approximately 760 sq.m., including the area of the refuse collection point’s entrance for large vehicles. According to the “Ngau Tau Kok and Kowloon Bay Outline Zoning Plan”, the maximum building height was limited to 15mPD. Therefore, the feasibility of providing additional car park floors was relatively low;

39.2 As the refuse collection point proposed to be built did not have enough space for access ramps, therefore the provision of an underground car park was not recommended. However, there were a number of hourly car parks which could provide sufficient car parking spaces for public use during different time slots;

39.3 The improvement work for motorcycle parking spaces in Wang Chin Street mainly involved the re-organisation of parking spaces, provision of additional streetscape greening and improvement of the pedestrian environment; and

39.4 As the project was still at the feasibility study stage, the DC would be consulted on the detailed design and budget of the project later.

40. A Member remarked that a number of complaints in regard to illegal parking had been received recently. The Member suggested the EKEO consider views related to the provision of additional car parking spaces so as to improve the value-added community facilities.

41. As the parking spaces of the current temporary car park would be cancelled after the implementation of the project and the charges of nearby car parks were relatively expensive, the Chairman concluded by suggesting the EKEO consider seeking other vacant sites for the provision of parking spaces so as to meet the demands of people in the district.

42. Members noted the paper.
VI. **Community Participation Programme in Environmental Protection 2019/20**  
(KTDC EHC paper No. 12/2019)

43. The Chairman welcomed Mr Edwin CHEN, Senior Environmental Protection Officer (Special Duties)1, and Mr Eagle CHOI, Environmental Protection Officer (Waste Reduction and Recycling)91, of the EPD to the meeting.

44. Mr Eagle CHOI, Environmental Protection Officer (Waste Reduction and Recycling)91, EPD, presented the paper.

45. The Chairman remarked that all the Members supported the programme and the working group under the EHC would assist the EHC in implementing the programme for this year as usual.

46. Members noted the paper.

VII. **EHC Financial Statement for 2019/20**  
(KTDC EHC paper No. 13/2019)

47. The Secretary presented the paper.

48. Members endorsed the paper.

VIII. **Any Other Business**

**Matters Related to the Concrete Batching Plants at the Yau Tong Industrial Area**

49. Two Members raised enquiries and views as follows:

   49.1 In the previous meeting, a number of Members had put forward their views on the request for the relocation of the concrete batching plants at the Yau Tong Industrial Area. Concern over the impact brought by the operation of the plants on the environmental hygiene nearby was raised. There was also an enquiry about the EPD’s follow-up actions for the matter.

   49.2 Enquiries were raised about the upper limit of the operation and terms of tenancy of the concrete batching plants of the Yau Tong Industrial Area; and
49.3 It was reflected that Ka Wing Street and Yan Wing Street were fully parked with concrete mixers and the idling engines were not switched off, causing serious pollution to the area. It was suggested the EPD follow up on the matter as soon as possible.

50. The highlights of the response given by Mr Marcus TANG, Senior Environmental Protection Officer (Regional East)3, Environmental Protection Department (EPD), were as follows:

50.1 According to the reply letter from the DEVB to the EHC, the locations of the concrete batching plants would bring substantial impact to the supply of sites for construction works. Currently, the four concrete batching plants at the Yau Tong Industrial Area had been regulated by the for the licensing of specified processes under the Air Pollution Control Ordinance;

50.2 When considering renewal of licences of the concrete batching plants, the EPD had requested them to adopt practical, feasible and effective measures to minimise polluting emissions, and would renew the licences only when the plants were in compliance with requirements of the law and related environmental protection measures. Recently, when issuing a licence to the batching plant of Anderson Concrete Ltd., the EPD had requested it to enhance the cleansing of concrete of mixers and cleanse roads that concrete mixers passed around Tong Yuen Street;

50.3 At present, the concrete batching plants of Excel Concrete Limited was renting facilities of the concrete batching plant of China Concrete Company Limited. The operation capacity was in compliance with the licensing standard without being increased; and

50.4 The EPD would as soon as possible follow up on the situation that Ka Wing Street and Yan Wing Street were fully parked with concrete mixers.

51. Three Members raised enquiries and views as follows:

51.1 It was reflected that the EPD had currently been focusing on monitoring the operation the concrete batching plants only and still lacked joint operations against pollution problems in the district. In light of the future development of commercial and residential buildings in Yau Tong Area, it was requested that the concrete batching plants be moved away from Yau Tong Area;
51.2 It was related that the operation of the concrete batching plants had made the environment dusty and caused traffic congestion. It was especially serious on Ko Fai Road and Cha Kwo Ling Road. It was suggested the EPD face the situation squarely; and

51.3 An enquiry was raised about current arrangements of parking locations of heavy vehicles of the concrete batching plants.

52. Mr Marcus TANG, Senior Environmental Protection Officer (Regional East)3, EPD, responded that the EPD would take coordinating actions with relevant government departments to strengthen joint operations against the concrete batching plants.

53. The Chairman requested the EPD to provide information about joint operations against the concrete batching plants, street cleansing, prosecution situations, etc. to Members for their reference.

**Problems of Domestic Electrical Appliance Disposal of Kwun Tong District**

54. It was relayed that the present situation of disposal of domestic electrical appliances in Kwun Tong District was serious. In addition to the timetable and lack of transparency of operators regarding clearance of domestic waste, enquiries were raised about the situation of the EPD’s monitoring of domestic waste recovery and the number of complaints received.

55. As regards, the disposal situation of domestic electrical appliances, the EPD would transfer it to related departments as soon as possible for their follow-up actions and provide supplementary information about the recovery situation and past prosecution figures.

56. The EHC approved of inviting the EPD to introduce the Producer Responsibility Scheme on Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment and the situation in the next meeting.

**IX. Date of Next Meeting**

57. The next meeting was scheduled to be held at 2:30 p.m. on 25 July 2019 (Thursday).

58. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

The minutes of the meeting were confirmed on 25 July 2019.
Kwun Tong District Council Secretariat

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