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**Minutes of the 8th Meeting of
Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee,
the 7th Term Kwun Tong District Council**

Date: 13 March 2025 (Thursday)

Time: 2:30 p.m. – 3:00 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

Mr WONG Chun-ping, MH, JP (Chairman)	Ms CHING Hoi-yan
Mr MA Yat-chiu, MH (Vice-chairman)	Ms FENG Yunsi
Mr YU Siu-lun	Mr WONG Kai-san
Mr NG Ting-fung	Ms YU Juliana
Mr LUI Tung-hai, MH	Mr AU YEUNG Kwan-nok
Ms LEE Shuk-woon, Sophia	Mr CHENG Keung-fung
Mr LEE Ka-hang	Mr LAI Wing-chun, MH
Ms KAM Kin	Mr KAN Ming-tung, MH
Mr OR Chong-shing, Wilson, MH	Mr TAM Siu-cheuk
Mr CHEUNG Yiu-pan	Mr KWAN Kin-wing
Ms LEUNG Sze-wan	Mr PANG Chi-sang
Mr HSU Yau-wai	Mr LIN Tin-yi (Co-opted Member)
Mr TSANG Wing-fai	Mr LEUNG Ki-sum (Co-opted Member)

In Attendance

Ms CHAN Wai-chun, Regina	Assistant District Officer (Kwun Tong)1
Mr CHOW Lap-kan, Douglas	Senior Executive Officer (District Council), Kwun Tong District Office
Miss TANG Wai-yan	Senior Manager (Kowloon East), Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Ms CHU Pui-shan, Edith	Manager (Kowloon East) Marketing, Programme and District Activities, Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Ms SIU Sau-king, Michelle	Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) Kwun Tong, Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Ms WONG Sze-wan

Senior Librarian (Kwun Tong),
Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Mr TAI Man-chun, Allen

Senior School Development Officer (Kwun Tong)2,
Education Bureau

Secretary

Mr POON Tsz-chun, Edmund

Executive Officer (District Council) 5,
Kwun Tong District Office

Opening Remarks

The Chairman welcomed all Members of the Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee (“CICRC”) and government representatives to the 8th meeting of CICRC under the 7th Term Kwun Tong District Council (“KTDC”).

2. The Chairman said that the Secretariat had not received any notice of absence from Members before the meeting.

I. Confirmation of Minutes of the 7th Meeting of CICRC

3. The Secretariat had earlier circulated the draft minutes of the last meeting to all Members. Members had not raised any other comments prior to and during the meeting. The minutes of the 7th meeting were confirmed.

II. Report on Arts and Cultural Activities Organised by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (“LCSD”) in Kwun Tong District (KTDC CICRC Paper No. 7/2025)

4. The representative of LCSD presented the paper.

5. Members noted the paper.

III. Report on Recreation and Sports Programmes Organised by LCSD in Kwun Tong District (KTDC CICRC Paper No. 8/2025)

6. The representative of LCSD presented the paper.
7. Members raised views and enquiries as follows:
 - 7.1 Members enquired about the target group and details of the “Outings for Low-income Earners” programme.
 - 7.2 Members noticed that LCSD’s recreation and sports programmes were often fully enrolled and asked whether the department had the resources to organise more training courses and recreation programmes.
 - 7.3 Members considered that LCSD should actively promote the 15th National Games (“NG”) to the public through various channels, including promoting sports events hosted in Hong Kong and competition information, so as to further enhance public understanding of NG.
 - 7.4 Members enquired whether LCSD would refer to past practices and open its facilities or venues for free use during NG.
8. The representative of LCSD responded to Members’ views and enquiries as follows:
 - 8.1 Regarding the Outings for Low-income Earners, LCSD stated that the programme was jointly organised by the department and the Social Welfare Department for social welfare groups and organisations in the district. The department would liaise with the joint organising groups and organisations to arrange for the participation of low-income earners. In addition, LCSD stated that the 18 districts would also organise outings and other activities for different target groups, including persons with disabilities, in different months.
 - 8.2 As for recreation and sports programmes, LCSD indicated that the budget for this year was about the same as last year’s. In light of the overall situation of resources and funding, the department would continue to make good use of resources by cancelling training courses and activities with low enrolment, while organising training courses for new sports in order to maintain service levels and meet public demand. If additional resources became available in the future, the department would consider organising more activities.

8.3 Concerning NG, LCSD stated that the National Games Coordination Office (Hong Kong) (“NGCO”) was established in 2023, responsible for coordinating all promotional activities related to NG across Hong Kong, including the use of social media and other channels for promotion. The department mentioned that NG would be held in Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macau from 9 to 21 November 2025, with Hong Kong hosting eight competition events, namely basketball, beach volleyball, golf, track cycling, fencing, triathlon, men’s handball, and rugby sevens, as well as one mass participation event — bowling. The department would release NG-related information to Members through the Secretariat after the meeting, hoping that Members would assist in the promotion and publicity of the event.

(Post-meeting note: The Secretariat distributed NG promotional materials provided by LCSD to Members on 18 March 2025.)

8.4 With regard to the free use of LCSD facilities or venues during NG, LCSD stated that it had not yet received any relevant notifications. The department would keep Members informed as soon as further updates became available.

9. Members enquired about the usage and popularity of the “SmartPLAY” application.

10. The Chairman suggested that in addition to distributing electronic promotional materials, LCSD should print out posters so that people of different age groups could learn about the event information. Besides, the Chairman considered that NG was a major national event, for which LCSD should carry out comprehensive publicity. The Chairman also suggested that LCSD distribute free tickets for NG competition events or performances to grassroots families through district councillors or community organisations, allowing members of the public from all walks of life to participate in this major event.

11. The representative of LCSD responded to Members’ views and enquiries as follows:

11.1 Regarding SmartPLAY, LCSD stated that the application had been launched for over a year, and had been operating mostly smoothly. The individual booking function was successfully implemented in the first phase, and preparations had been made to gradually roll out the block booking function in the second phase. The department would conduct relevant technical assessments and adjustments based on the actual usage in each phase and would review the operation and effectiveness of the application in a timely manner.

11.2 Concerning promotional posters, LCSD would send electronic files to Members in due course. Members were welcome to print and display the posters at their ward offices to enhance publicity. Besides, NGCO was gradually distributing promotional posters and banners related to NG. The department would arrange for these promotional materials to be posted and displayed at leisure venues in the district.

11.3 With regard to NG tickets or other relevant activities, LCSD stated that there was no relevant information available at the moment, but would relay Members' views to NGCO in due course.

12. Members noted the paper.

**IV. Report on Promotional Activities Organised by Public Libraries of LCSD in Kwun Tong District
(KTDC CICRC Paper No. 9/2025)**

13. The representative of LCSD presented the paper.

14. Members raised views and enquiries as follows:

14.1 Members praised the well-designed promotional poster for "Storytelling for Children", which attracted many public enquiries about the event details, and hoped that LCSD would continue to provide event information to Members.

14.2 Members pointed out that this year marked the 10th anniversary of National Security Education Day and suggested that LCSD organise more relevant activities in district libraries.

14.3 Members enquired about the details of the "Read Together for Half an Hour" event.

15. The representative of LCSD responded to Members' views and enquiries as follows:

15.1 LCSD thanked Members for displaying publicity posters to help promote library activities.

15.2 LCSD stated that in support of National Security Education Day, the Lam Tin Public Library would hold "Storytelling Workshops on Ecological Security and Deep Sea-

Security for National Security Education” in April. If resources permitted, the department would consider organising similar activities in more district libraries in the future.

15.3 LCSD indicated that the Lam Tin Public Library would also hold a book exhibition with national security education as the theme.

15.4 Regarding the “Read Together for Half an Hour” event, LCSD mentioned that it would provide books to district councillors’ ward offices for members of the public to read together and offer props to participants for taking photos. In addition to district councillors’ ward offices, the department also planned to hold the activity in libraries, community libraries and kindergartens.

16. Members stated that the “Storytelling for Children” event was very popular and suggested that LCSD collaborate with Care Teams to organise such activities in the community.

17. The representative of LCSD responded that the department had established a volunteer team of “Story Ambassadors” to visit different libraries and community libraries every year to tell stories to children. Members interested in organising storytelling activities or establishing community libraries in the community were welcome to contact the department.

18. Members noted the paper.

V. Any Other Business

19. Members did not raise other items for discussion.

VI. Date of Next Meeting

20. The next meeting was scheduled to be held at 2:30 p.m. on 8 May 2025 (Thursday).

21. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

The minutes of the meeting were confirmed on 8 May 2025.

Kwun Tong District Council Secretariat

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