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**Minutes of the 2nd Meeting of
Social Welfare and Women Development Committee,
the 7th Term Kwun Tong District Council**

Date: 28 March 2024 (Thursday)
Time: 2:30 p.m. – 3:42 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

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| Ms FU Pik-chun, MH (Chairlady) | Mr TSANG Wing-fai |
| Ms LEE Shuk-woon, Sophia (Vice-chairlady) | Ms CHING Hoi-yan |
| Mr YU Ka-ming | Mr LAU Kar-wah |
| Mr NG Ting-fung | Ms CHU Lok-wai |
| Mr LEE Ka-hang | Mr TANG Wing-chun |
| Mr LAM Wai | Mr CHENG Keung-fung |
| Ms KAM Kin | Mr KAN Ming-tung, MH |
| Mr HUNG Kam-in, MH | Mr TAM Siu-cheuk |
| Ms LEUNG Sze-wan | Mr KWAN Kin-wing |
| Mr HSU Yau-wai | Mr PANG Chi-sang |

In Attendance

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| 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 YIK Wai-sze, Cecilia | Senior Liaison Officer (2), Kwun Tong District Office |
| Miss Sandra LIM | Assistant District Social Welfare Officer (Kwun Tong)1, Social Welfare Department |

Secretary

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| Mr WONG King-yui, Bobby | Executive Officer (District Council)(1), Kwun Tong District Office |
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In Attendance by Invitation

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| Ms TSANG Yuen-kei, Viola | Service Head (Active Ageing & Community Care Service), Hong Kong Christian Service | Item II |
| Mr LAM Hon-wai | Supervisor, Bliss District Elderly Community Centre, Hong Kong Christian Service | |
| Ms KWONG Nga-lai | Advanced Practitioner (Nurse), Bliss District Elderly Community Centre, Hong Kong Christian Service | |
| Ms SHUM Wing-yan | Social Worker, Bliss District Elderly Community Centre, Hong Kong Christian Service | |

Absent

Ms FENG Yunsi

Opening Remarks

The Chairlady welcomed all attendees to the 2nd meeting of the Social Welfare and Women Development Committee (“SWWDC”) under the 7th Term Kwun Tong District Council (“KTDC”).

2. The Chairlady said that the Secretariat had received a notice of absence from Ms FENG Yunsi before the meeting. Since the application of Ms FENG was in compliance with Order 64 (1) of the Kwun Tong District Council Standing Orders, SWWDC consented to the above application for absence.

I. Confirmation of Minutes of Last Meeting

3. Members did not raise any other comments. The minutes of the 1st meeting were confirmed.

II. Introduction of the Services of Hong Kong Christian Service

4. The representatives of the Hong Kong Christian Service (“HKCS”) gave a presentation on the relevant services.

5. Members raised views and enquiries as follows:
 - 5.1 Members opined that HKCS should enhance communication with Members to facilitate their understanding and promotion of the services provided by HKCS.
 - 5.2 Members suggested that HKCS should provide a referral form for Members to refer members of the public to receive services from HKCS.
 - 5.3 Members enquired about the development direction of HKCS after the redevelopment of the Kwun Tong Vocational Training Centre (“KTVTC”) building, as well as how it would cooperate or divide responsibilities with the adjacent Christian Family Service Centre.
 - 5.4 Members suggested that HKCS should extend the services currently provided by Bliss OPlus to other communities in Kwun Tong, as well as provide simple training for Care Teams and share insights on serving the elderly with them.
 - 5.5 Members enquired about the number of cases served by the “Community Helper - Support for Elders with Emigrant Family (“Community Helper”)” project launched by HKCS, as well as how many elders in the district were in similar situations, in order to understand their service needs.
6. The representative of HKCS responded to Members’ views and enquiries as follows:
 - 6.1 HKCS expressed its willingness to strengthen communication and cooperation with Members and Care Teams to further promote its service to residents in the district.
 - 6.2 HKCS would actively consider Members’ suggestions to design a service referral form in the format of a “dim sum sheet”.
 - 6.3 Regarding the plan after the redevelopment of the former KTVTC site, HKCS said that it was currently discussing with the Social Welfare Department (“SWD”) the types of services to be provided in the building in the future. HKCS would not rule out the possibility that some services might overlap with those of other organisations, but the service areas and target groups of each organisation would be different.
 - 6.4 Regarding the suggestion to extend the services provided by Bliss OPlus to other communities in Kwun Tong, HKCS said that there were various organisations providing

related services in Kwun Tong District at present and HKCS would mainly focus on providing services within its designated service area.

7. The representative of SWD responded to Members' views and enquiries as follows:
 - 7.1 SWD added that there were currently four District Elderly Community Centres ("DECCs") and 21 Neighbourhood Elderly Centres ("NECs") in Kwun Tong District. All DECCs would provide home care services and Support Teams for the Elderly, and would also, like Bliss OPlus, participate in the "Dementia Community Support Scheme" to provide support for elderly persons with dementia and their carers.
 - 7.2 SWD said that every subvented service of SWD was subject to a Funding and Service Agreement, which stipulated details such as the service targets and content. SWD would also delineate the service scopes for individual services to avoid service overlaps, so as to ensure that residents could receive the services they needed.
 - 7.3 SWD said that in addition to subvented services, organisations could also provide different services based on the circumstances of their service areas. For example, to respond to the needs of its service area, Bliss OPlus voluntarily launched the "Community Helper" project to provide specific services for elderly residents with emigrant family using its own resources.
 - 7.4 SWD hoped that in the future, in addition to sharing the subvented services they currently provided, organisations would also introduce more of the social welfare services they offered in response to the local needs to Members.
 - 7.5 Regarding cooperation between organisations, SWD said that apart from serving their designated service areas, organisations would also strengthen cooperation. As an example, she mentioned that the DECCs in Kwun Tong District were required to regularly arrange for local NECs to conduct exchanges and provide support, thereby enhancing the cooperation and sharing of resources among the centres.
 - 7.6 The Kwun Tong District Welfare Office ("KTDWO") had also implemented a project called "Our Neighbourhoods @ Kwun Tong", which divided Kwun Tong District into six sub-districts. KTDWO would collaborate with service units of different categories (including the education, healthcare, and business sectors) to organise various activities tailored to the characteristics and needs of each sub-district. The project aimed to facilitate cooperation and resource-sharing between different sectors so that residents

could receive appropriate assistance in a timely manner.

7.7 SWD had implemented the “District Services and Community Care Teams – Pilot Scheme on Supporting Elderly and Carers”, taking Tsuen Wan and Southern Districts as the pilot points. Care Teams were engaged to reach out to and visit the elderly persons in the districts. SWD would gradually extend the scheme to other districts in the future and provide training on elderly services to Care Teams. Care Teams were welcome to contact SWD if they would like to receive training on other services.

7.8 Regarding the number of elders with emigrant family, SWD did not have the exact figure at present and would report to Members later when relevant information was available.

8. Members clarified that their enquiry was not about the total number of elderly persons with emigrant family in Hong Kong, but rather the current number of service users of the “Community Helper” project of HKCS and their needs.

9. The representative of HKCS said that about 120 elderly persons in Kwun Tong District were currently using the service. HKCS would continue to promote the project in the future, hoping to provide care for more elderly persons. He pointed out that the elderly persons with emigrant family had better means and a relatively high self-care ability. Therefore, HKCS mainly provided psychological support to them. HKCS would also facilitate exchanges among these elderly persons to help them readjust to the change in their identity and role.

10. Members noted the paper.

III. Any Other Business

11. The Chairlady said that SWD had earlier written to invite KTDC to nominate KTDC members to join the Kwun Tong District Welfare Concourse (“Concourse”) and Coordinating Committees under KTDWO. The Chairman of KTDC had earlier passed the matter related to the nomination of “Members of the Concourse and Coordinating Committees” to SWWDC for follow-up.

12. The representative of SWD presented the paper.

13. The Chairlady said that as the number of KTDC members interested in joining the Coordinating Committees exceeded the quota, the nominees would be selected through a draw. After the draw, the Chairlady announced the nomination of the following KTDC members to join the

Coordinating Committees:

| Name | Quota | KTDC Members nominated to join the Concourse/Coordinating Committees |
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| Kwun Tong District Welfare Concourse | 1 | Ms FU Pik-chun |
| Kwun Tong District Co-ordinating Committee on Family and Child Welfare Services | 1 | Ms LEUNG Sze-wan |
| Kwun Tong District Co-ordinating Committee on Elderly Service | 1 | Mr HUNG Kam-in |
| Kwun Tong District Co-ordinating Committee on Rehabilitation Service | 1 | Ms LEE Shuk-woon, Sophia |
| Kwun Tong District Local Committee on Services for Young People | 1 | Mr TANG Wing-chun |
| Kwun Tong District Co-ordinating Committee on Promotion of Volunteer Service | 1 | Ms CHU Lok-wai |

14. Members noted the paper.

IV. Date of Next Meeting

15. The next meeting was scheduled to be held on 23 May 2024 (Thursday).

16. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:42 p.m.

The minutes of the meeting were confirmed on 23 May 2024.

Kwun Tong District Council Secretariat
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