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**Minutes of the 4th Meeting of the  
7th Term Kwun Tong District Council (Full Council)**

**Date:** 4 July 2024 (Thursday)  
**Time:** 2:30 p.m. – 6:13 p.m.  
**Venue:** Conference Room, Kwun Tong District Office,  
Unit 05-07, 20/F, Millennium City 6, 392 Kwun Tong Road,  
Kwun Tong, Kowloon

**Chairman**

Mr HO Lap-ki, Denny, JP

**Members**

Mr YU Siu-lun	Mr HSU Yau-wai
Mr YU Man, MH	Mr LIN Ho-man, MH
Mr YU Ka-ming	Mr CHAN Yiu-hung, Jimmy, MH
Mr NG Sing-wah	Mr TSANG Wing-fai
Mr NG Ting-fung	Ms CHING Hoi-yan
Mr LUI Tung-hai, MH	Ms FENG Yunsi
Ms LEE Shuk-woon, Sophia	Mr WONG Chun-ping, MH, JP
Mr LEE Ka-hang	Mr WONG Kai-san
Mr FONG Yat-kwan	Ms YU Juliana
Mr LAM Fung, MH	Ms ZHAN Baoyu
Mr LAM Wai	Mr LAU Kar-wah
Ms KAM Kin	Mr AU YEUNG Kwan-nok
Mr OR Chong-shing, Wilson, MH	Ms CHU Lok-wai
Mr HUNG Kam-in, MH	Mr TANG Wing-chun
Mr MA Yat-chiu, MH	Mr CHENG Keung-fung
Mr CHEUNG Yiu-pan	Mr LAI Wing-chun, MH
Mr CHEUNG Pui-kong	Mr KAN Ming-tung, MH
Mr CHEUNG Ki-tang, MH	Mr TAM Siu-cheuk
Ms LEUNG Sze-wan	Mr KWAN Kin-wing
Ms FU Pik-chun, MH	Mr PANG Chi-sang

**In attendance**

Ms CHAN Wai-chun, Regina	Assistant District Officer (Kwun Tong)1
Mr CHEUNG Ka-long, Kelvin	Assistant District Officer (Kwun Tong)2

Ms CHIN Tsang-lo, Jennifer	District Commander (Kwun Tong), Hong Kong Police Force
Ms TSE Tsui-yan	District Commander (Sau Mau Ping), Hong Kong Police Force
Ms LAM Sau-wah	Police Community Relations Officer, Kwun Tong District, Hong Kong Police Force
Mr TAM Man-hoi	Police Community Relations Officer, Sau Mau Ping District, Hong Kong Police Force
Mr LEE Ming-keung, Marco	Chief Engineer/East 2, Civil Engineering and Development Department
Mr LING Wai-kit, Ricky	Chief Manager/Management (Kowloon East), Housing Department
Mr LEUNG Pak-fung, Kazaf	Senior Transport Officer/Kwun Tong 1, Transport Department
Ms LAW Kit-nor	District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Kwun Tong), Food and Environmental Hygiene Department
Mr HO Pok-man	Senior Health Inspector (Cleansing & Pest Control) Kwun Tong 2, Food and Environmental Hygiene Department
Mr LEUNG Po-wah, Taddy	District Social Welfare Officer (Kwun Tong), Social Welfare Department
Mr LUI Chi-chung	District Leisure Manager (Kwun Tong), Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Ms SIU Sau-king, Michelle	Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) Kwun Tong, Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Miss CHOW Tak-sum, Amy	Senior Executive Officer (District Management), Kwun Tong District Office
Mr FUNG Chi-man, Tom	Senior Liaison Officer (1), Kwun Tong District Office
Miss YIK Wai-sze, Cecilia	Senior Liaison Officer (2), Kwun Tong District Office
Mr TANG Chun-ming	Senior Liaison Officer (3), Kwun Tong District Office
Ms CHAN Pun-ho, Sandy	Liaison Officer-in-Charge (District Facilities), Kwun Tong District Office
Ms HUI Po-yu, Bowie	Executive Officer I (District Council), Kwun Tong District Office

**Secretary**

Mr CHOW Lap-kan, Douglas Senior Executive Officer (District Council),  
Kwun Tong District Office

**In Attendance by Invitation**

Mr NG Siu-kei, Kasper	Principal Assistant Secretary (Further Education), Education Bureau	<b>Item II</b>
Mr LAM Chak-yu, Jacky	Assistant Secretary (Further Education) 2, Education Bureau	
Ms LAM Tung-miu, Michelle	Senior Executive Officer (Further Education)3, Education Bureau	
Mr NG Shing-kit	Senior Engineer (Harbour)2, Development Bureau	
Dr LIU Sai-lok, Eric	Deputy Executive Director, Vocational Training Council	
Mr SHUM Sai-wing, Philip	Director, Estates and Campus Development Office, Vocational Training Council	
Mr HO Kin-wai, Stephen	Deputy Director, Estates and Campus Development Office, Vocational Training Council	
Ms CHOW Kai-yi	Project Manager, Estates and Campus Development Office, Vocational Training Council	
Mr CHAN Cho-sing, Joel	Group Director, P&T Architects Limited	
Ms TING Ho-ling, Carol	Group Director, P&T Architects Limited	
Mr LEE Man-kit	Associate Director, Arup	
Ms Carrie CHOW	Chief Project Manager, Arup	
Mr LAW Hang-kong	Deputy District Leisure Manager (Kwun Tong)1, Leisure and Cultural Services Department	
Mr YEUNG Sau-man, Simon	Senior Executive Officer (Planning)31, Leisure and Cultural Services Department	
Miss LAU Po-chu, Judy	Executive Officer (Planning)31A, Leisure and Cultural Services Department	
Miss TSUI Kin-yu, Kimmie	Executive Officer (Planning)31B, Leisure and Cultural Services Department	

Ms KUN Ka-yin, April	Head, Energizing Kowloon East Office
Ms CHEUNG Sui-lun, Lilian	Deputy Head, Energizing Kowloon East Office
Ms SIN Ka-yan, Carrie	Senior Project Facilitation Manager, Energizing Kowloon East Office
Ms LAM Wing-tung, Esther	Place Making Manager (Design) 2, Energizing Kowloon East Office

The Chairman welcomed all Members and government representatives to the 4th Full Council (“FC”) meeting under the 7th Term Kwun Tong District Council (“KTDC”).

2. The Chairman said that no applications for absence had been received from Members for this meeting.

**Item I – Confirmation of Minutes of Last Meeting**

3. The minutes of the 3rd meeting were confirmed without amendment.

**Item II – Development of New Campus of Vocational Training Council at Kowloon East (Cha Kwo Ling)  
(KTDC Paper No. 19/2024)**

4. The Chairman welcomed Principal Assistant Secretary (Further Education), Assistant Secretary (Further Education) 2 and Senior Executive Officer (Further Education)3 of the Education Bureau (“EDB”); Senior Engineer (Harbour)2 of the Development Bureau (“DEVB”); Deputy Executive Director of the Vocational Training Council (“VTC”), Director, Deputy Director and Project Manager of VTC’s Estates and Campus Development Office; Group Directors of P&T Architects Limited; and Associate Director and Chief Project Manager of Arup to brief KTDC on the latest progress of the development of new campus of VTC at Kowloon East (Cha Kwo Ling) (“campus development project”).

5. The representatives of EDB, VTC and its project consultants presented the paper.

6. Members raised views and enquiries as follows:

- 6.1 Mr MA Yat-chiu stated that he had earlier received feedback from the Estate Owners' Committees of Laguna City and Sceneway Garden on the campus development project, which he would forward to the relevant government departments for follow-up after the meeting. He added that the chairpersons of the above estate owners' committees expressed a desire for the government departments responsible for the campus development project to visit the community and explain the project to residents, and he was willing to coordinate such arrangements. Additionally, he (i) stated that the new VTC campus should be designed as an open campus, allowing public access to its major facilities, such as the podium, sports grounds and the library; and (ii) suggested selecting another location for the reprovisioning of the liquefied petroleum gas ("LPG") filling station.
- 6.2 Mr LUI Tung-hai praised EDB for conducting multiple consultation exercises on the campus development project and for listening to public views. The new VTC campus would be scaled back from three buildings into two, and its location would be moved closer to the waterfront, farther away from Laguna City and Cha Kwo Ling. He lauded the new design as magnificent, describing it as a beautiful and attractive place for nearby residents and the people of Hong Kong. Regarding the facilities, he felt that the covered sitting-out facilities included in the campus development project were insufficient and expressed concern over the lack of space for hosting large-scale events. He also pointed out that the ancillary transport facilities in the campus development project should be enhanced to cope with the future increase in the flow of people. On another note, he suggested that the project make good use of the natural resources of Victoria Harbour by enhancing the design of the waterfront steps for water access and introducing various water activities, such as pedal boats, dragon boats, canoes and water taxis.
- 6.3 Mr PANG Chi-sang stated that the current site of the new VTC campus had a temporary car park that could accommodate about 150 vehicles. He enquired whether the Transport Department ("TD") would set up another car park nearby to meet the demand for parking spaces after the project commenced. He also mentioned that due to inadequate ancillary transport facilities, many members of the public boarded and alighted vehicles near Kwun Tong Bypass, creating dangerous situations. On the other hand, he believed that the project, upon completion, would attract more visitors to the area for leisure. Therefore, he suggested that TD should require the new VTC campus to open some of its parking spaces for public rental during holidays. Additionally, he recommended that the new VTC campus include catering facilities and incorporate harbourfront elements for public use.

- 6.4 Mr TANG Wing-chun indicated that the Government started consultation on the campus development project in 2014, and the project was about to commence, yet residents of Laguna City still had many questions about the project. They were concerned about whether the capacity of Exit D of the Lam Tin MTR Station could meet the future demand from the surrounding developments, such as the new VTC campus and the redevelopment of Cha Kwo Ling Village. They hoped that VTC would undertake to have the future shuttle bus for teachers and students depart from the Yau Tong MTR Station instead of the Lam Tin Station. Additionally, he pointed out that a large number of taxis and minibuses often queued up at the LPG filling station for refuelling during peak hours. He suggested providing more space for vehicles at the re-provisioned LPG filling station to prevent the queue from extending to Wai Yip Street. Furthermore, he recommended greening the roof of the filling station to align with the harbourfront planning.
- 6.5 Mr TSANG Wing-fai believed that upon completion of the campus development project, a large number of members of the public and tour groups would be attracted to use the sitting-out facilities there. Therefore, he suggested (i) planning parking spaces for private cars and tour coaches at the site; (ii) designing the entrances and exits of the open space well in the early stages; and (iii) setting up fishing-friendly facilities and displaying mascots of various government departments in the harbourfront open space.
- 6.6 Ms CHU Lok-wai stated that she had received feedback from nearby residents, expressing concern that Exit D of the Lam Tin MTR Station would not be able to cope with the increased flow of people after the completion of the new VTC campus and the public housing in Cha Kwo Ling. Therefore, she hoped that a feeder bus connecting the new VTC campus to Kwun Tong or Yau Tong would be provided to help divert the crowd. Additionally, she suggested that the harbourfront open space should not only include sports facilities for the elderly and children but also increase fitness facilities for adults and young people in order to achieve social inclusion.
- 6.7 Ms LEUNG Sze-wan suggested increasing ancillary transport facilities in the open space, such as providing parking spaces for tour coaches or large vehicles. She also recommended creating an open area similar to that in East Coast Park to allow young people to engage in various types of activities or hold cultural and creative markets.
- 6.8 Mr TAM Siu-cheuk praised the campus development project for enhancing the aesthetic appeal of Kwun Tong waterfront and hoped that the campus, upon

completion, would provide more educational opportunities for young people. Regarding the design, he (i) expressed concern about whether the hill corridor design in the open space could provide enough room to host large events with high pedestrian flow; (ii) suggested using more durable materials for the flooring along the coastal open space to prevent damage from frequent use by runners; (iii) called for proper planning of the entrances and exits of the open space and the design of parking spaces for tour coaches. Additionally, he urged TD to explain the relevant transport arrangements and suggested that VTC open its campus car park to the public on holidays.

6.9 Ms YU Juliana expressed concern that the construction works of the campus development project might have a negative impact on nearby residents. For instance, some residents were worried that the new campus and its facilities would obstruct the view from their housing estates, affect property prices, and prevent residents from using the harbourfront space during the construction period. On the other hand, she cited the paper saying that VTC had commissioned a consultant to conduct a traffic impact assessment. She hoped that VTC would supplement information on when the assessment was conducted, whether the Tseung Kwan O-Lam Tin Tunnel (“TKO-LTT”) had already been opened at that time, as well as whether the current traffic flow and road traffic burden had been considered. She believed that the campus development project would, to some extent, affect the nearby traffic and hoped that the relevant departments would have contingency plans to address the nuisances and other issues caused to residents by the project’s construction works. Additionally, she suggested displaying exhibits such as stilt houses or squatters along the waterfront to introduce the history of the area to the public.

6.10 Mr Wilson OR indicated that the residents of Kwun Tong, particularly those living in Laguna City and Sceneway Garden, were very concerned about the campus development project. He enquired whether EDB had proactively sought public views, and if so, when this took place; if not, he asked for the reasons behind it. He also expressed great concern about the transport arrangements for the project, hoping that the relevant departments would supplement information about whether the traffic assessment mentioned in the paper had considered the additional population of nearly 20 000 from the Cha Kwo Ling development project and the situation at Exit D of the Lam Tin MTR Station. On another note, he pointed out that traffic queues often formed at the LPG filling station, seriously affecting traffic in Kwun Tong District. Hence, he hoped that the project could adjust the location for reprovisioning the LPG filling station. Additionally, he suggested incorporating cultural heritage elements into the harbourfront open space and urged the relevant departments to manage the

waterfront in a more humane manner.

7. The consolidated response from the representative of EDB was as follows:

7.1 LPG filling station: EDB had been in discussion with the Environment and Ecology Bureau (“EEB”) on the reprovisioning of the LPG filling station. EEB would make the final decision on the relevant arrangements. In fact, the consultant had conducted studies based on the feedback received for EEB’s consideration. This included providing space for vehicles to queue for refuelling at Wai Lok Street and in the LPG filling station, both of which were reprovisioned in the project. EEB would later explain the final plan to KTDC.

7.2 Facilities in the harbourfront open space: EDB and VTC noted Members’ views on the provision of sitting-out facility covers, vehicle parking and pick-up/drop-off spaces, catering facilities, and effective use of water bodies, such as for water access or fishing facilities. Discussions would be held with the relevant departments.

7.3 Car park: EDB indicated that there were no parking facilities in the open space but would consider the parking arrangements for the entire area. For instance, the redevelopment project of Cha Kwo Ling Village included ancillary parking spaces, and some government buildings provided parking facilities under the “single site, multiple use” principle. EDB would conduct an overall study on the parking needs in that area in conjunction with TD.

7.4 Communication with residents: EDB stated that although the funding processing period for the advance works coincided with the epidemic, it still consulted the local community by means of documents and maintained communication with KTDC. In response to Members’ invitation to EDB and VTC to explain the progress of the campus development project to residents in the community, EDB expressed its willingness to maintain communication with Members and discuss the relevant arrangements.

8. The supplementary response from the representative of VTC was as follows:

8.1 Transport arrangements for students: VTC had undertaken to arrange school bus services for students. Based on VTC’s experience, students commuted from different districts to attend classes at the campus, so VTC might not need to set up stops nearby, such as at the exit of the Lam Tin MTR Station. Furthermore, VTC would later engage in discussions with relevant government departments, as well as public bus and

minibus operators, on issues including whether arrangements could be made to facilitate students' commute to the campus, such as setting up stops near the new VTC campus.

8.2 Campus facilities: VTC primarily provided vocational and professional education, emphasising the connection between students and their respective industries. It also maintained close ties with other schools and groups in the community by organising various types of activities. For large-scale events or occasions with a large number of visitors, VTC would arrange appropriate visitor parking. VTC would gladly explore the provision of appropriate facilities, as far as possible, for student use during campus operating hours. As for non-operating hours, VTC would consider the limited opening of some campus facilities for use by others.

9. The supplementary response from the representative of VTC's project consultant was as follows:

9.1 Pick-up and drop-off locations: According to the schedule, the advance works were set to be progressively completed early next year, with the works on Wai Lok Street being completed earlier. Four traffic lanes would be built on Wai Lok Street. The project consultant would discuss with TD and the Civil Engineering and Development Department ("CEDD") to determine the locations there for pick-up and drop-off to facilitate visitors' access to the waterfront.

9.2 Traffic: When the campus development project was submitted to the Town Planning Board for review and approval, a traffic assessment had already been conducted and continuously updated based on the surrounding developments. The project consultant had also been coordinating with CEDD, TD, the Highways Department ("HyD"), and other departments to ensure that the construction works of the campus development project aligned with the surrounding road improvement works.

9.3 Shading facilities: The project consultant indicated that shading facilities would be installed closely in the open space.

9.4 Ancillary equipment for hosting events: The harbourfront open space would provide adequate open space, water, electricity, sewerage, and other ancillary facilities to facilitate the hosting of various types of events, such as cultural and creative events or markets.

9.5 Incorporating elements of Cha Kwo Ling Village into the design: The project

consultant maintained liaison with Cha Kwo Ling Village and CEDD, among others, hoping to incorporate elements of Cha Kwo Ling Village, such as dragon boats mentioned earlier, into the design of the campus development project.

9.6 Sports facilities: The project consultant pointed out that the Cha Kwo Ling Promenade, built by the Drainage Services Department, provided more facilities suitable for children to play, whereas the open space in the campus development project offered sports facilities suitable for people of different ages.

10. The supplementary response from the representative of TD was as follows:

10.1 Traffic at the LPG filling station: Based on the assessment by the traffic consultant, the campus development project had planned additional waiting space for vehicles queuing to enter the LPG filling station in order to prevent the queue from affecting the traffic on nearby Wai Yip Street.

10.2 Traffic on Cha Kwo Ling Road: According to the traffic impact assessment conducted by VTC in 2018, the development of the new campus would not significantly affect nearby roads. VTC expected that upon the completion of the new campus, most students would commute to and from the campus using public transport. VTC also anticipated that the resulting traffic flow would not have a substantial impact on the surrounding roads. On another note, apart from the school bus services VTC planned to provide, TD would discuss with operators of buses and minibuses running in the area how to adjust the current routes to align with the district's development.

10.3 Arrangements for parking spaces and car parks: TD indicated that the housing development project at Cha Kwo Ling Village would provide ancillary parking spaces. Meanwhile, the Government would consider offering public parking facilities in government buildings under the principle of "single site, multiple use". Moreover, there were many public car parks and on-street parking spaces near the Kwun Tong Promenade. The project consultant for the campus development project was also studying the provision of pick-up and drop-off points and parking spaces on the re-provisioned Wai Lok Street to alleviate the impact on nearby traffic caused by picking up and dropping off passengers in that area.

11. Members continued to raise follow-up views and enquiries as follows:

11.1 Mr HUNG Kam-in praised the design of the campus development project, noting that it incorporated considerable thoughts and concepts. He suggested that the project

take reference from the open design of the Hong Kong Design Institute (“HKDI”): HKDI maintained close ties with the community and allowed some of its venues to be used by nearby organisations. Additionally, he recommended connecting Exit D of the Lam Tin MTR Station to the entrance and exit of the campus to facilitate students using public transport. On the other hand, he pointed out that LPG light buses had been out of production for many years, with efforts aimed at promoting electric minibuses in recent years. He proposed installing charging facilities for public transport near the campus. He mentioned that vehicles travelled at high speeds near the campus and that many taxis entered and exited the LPG filling station, raising concerns about pedestrian safety in that area.

- 11.2 Mr KAN Ming-tung suggested that the campus development project take reference from the experience of building walkways at the Kwun Tong Promenade, as well as the construction of covered walkways to facilitate public access to the harbourfront open space under intense sunlight. Additionally, he hoped that VTC would provide parking spaces for public use during non-operating hours. On another note, he recommended that TD plan early to widen roads such as Cha Kwo Ling Road and Wai Yip Street, as well as nearby roads for vehicle access, to avoid difficulties in adding facilities there in the future.
- 11.3 Mr CHENG Keung-fung expressed support for the campus development project, believing that the new VTC campus would further add value to the Kwun Tong waterfront. He was concerned about whether shading facilities would be provided in the harbourfront open space, and suggested that future school buses connect the campus to the Kwun Tong and Yau Tong MTR Stations. Additionally, he recommended that VTC’s parking spaces be opened to the public on holidays.
- 11.4 Mr WONG Kai-san expressed support for building educational facilities to enhance youth skills. In his view, the campus development project could add value to the waterfront and the entire district, with the key being how to integrate with the community and give full play to the economic benefits of the waterfront. He was concerned about whether the ancillary transport facilities near the campus could cope with the future influx of thousands of students and visitors to the waterfront, and enquired whether VTC could open its car park, roof gardens or restaurants to the public on holidays. On another note, he learned that the harbourfront open space would be managed by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (“LCSD”). However, he believed that relevant departments should discuss the actual management operation due to the presence of various types of plants, the inclusion of pedestrians, cyclists and pets, and other elements in the harbourfront open space. In view of this, coupled with

the anticipated large number of children playing there, he called on relevant departments to take note of the safety of the facilities. He suggested drawing reference from the West Kowloon waterfront by establishing cafes, restaurants and photo-taking spots to attract more visitors to the area for leisure and boost economic benefits.

- 11.5 Mr CHEUNG Ki-tang stated that waterfront resources were very precious, and that the campus development project, especially the harbourfront open space, could become a landmark for Kwun Tong District. He hoped that the area could attract both members of the public and tourists. Regarding the design, he suggested adding water elements and growing more plants, such as cherry blossoms or red leaves, to attract the public to take photos there. Additionally, he suggested providing covers for locations with benches in the open space and adding grass slopes similar to those in the Kwun Tong Promenade, along with planting more shade trees for visitors to rest and picnic. He also proposed integrating elements of the Cha Kwo Ling culture and ecological education into the open space. On another note, he hoped that VTC could open its on-campus parking spaces to outsiders, which he believed would provide convenience for visitors and increase its revenue. He also recommended that TD add crossing facilities on Wai Lok Street. Furthermore, he mentioned that the Cha Kwo Ling waterfront was closer to residential dwellings than the Kwun Tong Promenade, and if events were to be held, issues such as noise and lighting must be taken into consideration. Lastly, he was concerned about how pedestrians and cyclists could safely use the shared path if the harbourfront open space was designated as GreenWay.
- 11.6 Mr Jimmy CHAN commended EDB and VTC for taking on board the views of KTDC from the previous two terms and making adjustments to the campus development project. He hoped that the project could increase the participation and acceptance of nearby residents and reduce noise and environmental nuisances during the construction period. Additionally, he suggested adding pavilion facilities that could enhance the greening of the environment along the waterfront promenade, and recommended seeking more views from nearby residents during the design phase. He also advised that the project consultant use materials that reduced light refraction when building glass curtain walls to lessen the impact on residential dwellings. On the other hand, he hoped that VTC would consider opening some of its parking spaces for public use during holidays.
- 11.7 Mr LAM Wai praised the campus development project for using “the inclusiveness of the sea” as its design concept and noted that the project would add multiple facilities to the area, which should attract many members of the public to visit. However, he

(i) expressed concern about the traffic conditions in the area, worrying about whether vehicles driving there could park in Cha Kwo Ling Village or its surroundings as stated by TD; and (ii) enquired whether there would still be parking spaces available for public use after VTC provided parking spaces for its staff. He hoped that the relevant departments would carefully consider the transport issues to facilitate public visits.

11.8 Ms FENG Yunsi was concerned about whether the harbourfront open space would provide shading facilities and other amenities, such as washrooms, baby care rooms and retail facilities. She suggested adding entertainment or catering facilities there to bring convenience for the harbourfront visitors and enhance the economic benefits of the area.

11.9 Mr LAI Wing-chun enquired whether the courses at VTC's new campus would be coordinated with the other courses offered at the Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education ("IVE"). To his understanding, the Kwun Tong campus of IVE primarily offered courses in subjects like business and design. He was concerned about how the new VTC campus would align in this regard. On the other hand, he mentioned that the above Kwun Tong campus organised many activities for local secondary school students and enquired whether the new campus would host similar activities.

11.10 Mr LEE Ka-hang expressed support for building a new post-secondary institution in Kwun Tong District to strengthen youth development in the district. In his view, the relevant department could make good use of waterfront resources to develop water sports activities. He mentioned that the Kwun Tong waterfront was a typhoon shelter, which was subject to more restrictions on holding events. Conversely, the waterfront next to the new VTC campus had a better view and fewer buildings, allowing for near-shore water sports activities, such as water polo, or serving as a landing point for cross-harbour swimming. Therefore, he suggested setting up corresponding facilities and ancillary amenities there. Additionally, he was also concerned about pedestrian connectivity in the area, saying that the harbourfront open space was not close to an MTR station and there were few pedestrian crossing facilities along the way. Hence, he recommended enhancing pedestrian connectivity in the area to facilitate public access to the harbourfront open space.

11.11 Mr LIN Ho-man believed that many members of the public welcomed the inclusive park for pets included in the campus development project but were concerned about the park's hygiene. He hoped that the relevant department would manage it properly.

12. The consolidated response from the representative of EDB was as follows:

- 12.1 Opening campus facilities for public use: EDB indicated that post-secondary institutions generally might not fully open their campuses to the public. In the past, some universities had cancelled public access to certain facilities to avoid affecting students attending classes. The bureau mentioned that there were many practical difficulties in opening campus facilities for public use but believed that VTC had relevant experience and would explore the possibility of opening some of the campus facilities where feasible.
- 12.2 LPG filling station: EDB learned that EEB would take into account the development of electric vehicles when considering the establishment of the LPG filling station. However, many taxis, minibuses and other vehicles still needed to use LPG, and EEB needed to provide LPG refuelling services for these vehicles. EDB stated that it would relay Members' views to EEB.
- 12.3 Waterfront design: EDB stated that it would later relay Members' views on the materials, design, catering, shading facilities and other aspects of the harbourfront open space to the relevant departments, with a view to further enhancing the campus development project.
- 12.4 Transport issues: EDB, along with DEVB, VTC, and TD, had all along been concerned about the traffic conditions at the project site. They understood that several development projects and traffic improvement works were underway in the area, including the provision of crossing facilities. EDB would continue to work with TD to explore ways to further enhance transport facilities in the area.

13. The supplementary response from the representative of DEVB's Harbour Office was as follows:

- 13.1 Waterfront management: DEVB indicated that as the future management of the waterfront promenade would be under the purview of LCSD, it had been in communication with LCSD on this matter. The bureau mentioned that the Cha Kwo Ling Promenade and the landscaped deck above Kwun Tong Sewage Pumping Station, both currently managed by LCSD, were well received by the public. It was believed that the area would provide more open space for the public once it was connected to the harbourfront open space in the campus development project.
- 13.2 Photo-taking spots and activities at the waterfront: DEVB welcomed comments from Members on photo-taking spots and economic benefits of the harbourfront open space. It indicated that relevant departments would hold discussions on traffic and crowd

management when large events were held there in the future.

13.3 GreenWay: DEVB stated that as the harbourfront open space would be managed by LCSD, it had been in communication with the department to ensure that cyclists, pedestrians, and pets could safely share the space. The bureau mentioned that the Kai Tak section of the GreenWay would be opened first, and relevant departments would learn from this experience to better manage the GreenWay in the Kwun Tong and Cha Kwo Ling sections.

14. The supplementary response from the representative of VTC was as follows:

14.1 Courses: VTC indicated that the purpose of building a new campus was to re-provision the existing Kwun Tong and Haking Wong campuses of VTC. The courses offered at these two campuses mainly included business, engineering, hotel and tourism, as well as design. Additionally, VTC had always been attentive to the human resources and market demand of various industries, understanding that there was a stronger market demand for courses in health and life sciences, medical care, and information technology. Therefore, the new campus was also planned to offer courses in these subjects. On the other hand, VTC had maintained close partnerships with secondary schools to promote vocational and professional education.

14.2 Opening campus facilities: VTC stated that HKDI opened the central passageway of its campus in Tseung Kwan O for public use. Earlier, the passageway had been temporarily closed due to security issues. As for the facilities of the new campus, including restaurants and sports facilities, they were needed to cater to the diverse needs of nearly 6 000 students. If campus facilities were opened for public use simultaneously, it would pose considerable difficulties. VTC indicated that other schools or community groups were welcome to rent or borrow campus facilities, such as assembly halls and lecture theatres, to hold activities related to its courses. These activities could include educational lectures, cultural and creative events, environmental activities or primary care lectures.

14.3 On-campus car park: VTC indicated that it would actively consider opening some parking spaces to the public during non-school hours. The current car park was designed to provide 150 parking spaces, while the campus had about 800 staff members and many visitors, including guest lecturers from various industries. Consequently, VTC's demand for parking spaces was very acute.

14.4 Campus design: In the current design, the central passageway of the campus featured

not only a connecting bridge but also a landscaped deck for student activities, equipped with shading facilities. During non-school hours, VTC would open the passageway as far as practicable to allow residents' access to the harbourfront open space, enabling them to enjoy the waterfront facilities.

15. The supplementary response from the project consultant representative was as follows:

15.1 Project: The project design had taken into account various situations of the surrounding residents. For instance, in the advance works last year, facilities that nearby residents found undesirable were placed beneath the sports ground. The project had also considered the impact of an elevated sports ground on the views of nearby residential dwellings. Furthermore, the current design allowed visitors to pass through the campus to reach the waterfront, facilitating public access.

15.2 Public toilets and other ancillary facilities: The advance works included the construction of a public toilet and a baby care room. Given the considerable length of the harbourfront open space, even though the housing project at Cha Kwo Ling Village would include a shopping mall and other facilities, the project consultant also planned to add a public toilet and a baby care room in the middle section of the harbourfront open space to align with future markets or other events to be held there.

15.3 Shading facilities: The current project would include the installation of multiple shading facilities with various design forms, and these facilities would not be too far apart from each other.

16. Members then raised follow-up views and enquiries as follows:

16.1 Mr CHEUNG Ki-tang stated that there was frequent traffic congestion in TKO-LTT and on Cha Kwo Ling Road. He was worried that after the reprovisioning of Wai Lok Street, taxis queuing at the LPG filling station might worsen the congestion on Cha Kwo Ling Road. On the other hand, he expressed concern that once the public housing development at Cha Kwo Ling was completed, the parking spaces provided by the housing estate would not be sufficient to meet the needs of the village residents. Therefore, the housing estate might not be able to provide parking spaces for people who drove to the waterfront as claimed by TD.

16.2 Ms ZHAN Baoyu welcomed the campus development project. She (i) pointed out that the campus building would be up to 12 storeys high and enquired whether the project had considered the impact on the views and property prices of Laguna City;

- (ii) was concerned about the entry and exit of large construction vehicles, including concrete mixers and dump trucks, during the construction period, calling on the relevant departments to consider the traffic burden caused by the project; and (iii) mentioned that residents had already complained about the inadequate frequency of the green minibus (“GMB”) services at the Lam Tin MTR Station, and worried that the issue would become even more serious once the VTC campus opened.
- 16.3 Mr Jimmy CHAN hoped that (i) VTC would positively respond to whether it would actively consider opening on-campus parking spaces for public use; and (ii) the project consultant would respond to whether materials that reduced light refraction would be used for the glass curtain walls.
- 16.4 Mr TANG Wing-chun (i) suggested setting up dining or coffee shops in the harbourfront open space. He pointed out that VTC offered hotel programmes, through which students could intern in guest reception and kitchen work at the shops; and (ii) mentioned the Government’s principle of “single site, multiple use”, suggesting the construction of an underground car park on campus to provide more parking spaces for public use.
- 16.5 Mr PANG Chi-sang indicated that currently, taking the GMB from the Lam Tin MTR Station to Yau Tong required an average wait of more than half an hour, which was insufficient to meet the future needs of VTC students. He urged TD to attach importance to this issue.
- 16.6 Mr MA Yat-chiu (i) followed up by asking whether EDB and the relevant departments would directly report the progress of the project to the residents in the community; (ii) questioned why the on-campus parking spaces remained tight during holidays when staff would not return to the campus; (iii) enquired whether the LPG filling station would be reprovisioned to another location; and (iv) suggested that EDB and DEVB study the feasibility of establishing a water-taxi service point there to facilitate public access to water taxis for touring Victoria Harbour.
- 16.7 Mr LUI Tung-hai mentioned that the proposed government joint-user complex in the Cha Kwo Ling Village development project would provide only a small number of parking spaces, but these spaces were not expected to be available until 2030. Additionally, other development projects, such as the harbourfront open space and the Kaolin Mine Site development project, also relied on this car park, raising concerns that it would be overloaded. He urged the relevant departments to consider building an underground car park or providing on-street parking spaces. As for the suggestion

from Members that VTC make its on-campus parking spaces available for public use, he expressed scepticism about its feasibility.

16.8 Mr KWAN Kin-wing hoped that the new VTC campus would provide students with a better learning environment. He suggested that LCSD allow students to apply for the use of the harbourfront open space to hold events such as graduation exhibitions or art shows. He also recommended that VTC open parts of the campus, such as restaurants or the library, for public use.

16.9 Mr CHEUNG Yiu-pan suggested that the car park and other public facilities on campus, such as the library, could enhance the application of smart systems to increase efficiency.

17. The final consolidated response from the representative of EDB was as follows:

17.1 Overall project: EDB, DEVB, VTC and other relevant departments had been committed to promoting the campus development project with the aim of enhancing local facilities and providing better vocational and professional education to students. EDB and VTC appreciated Members' suggestions and would continue to follow up on the relevant issues.

17.2 Opening the car park: EDB believed that VTC would seriously consider Members' suggestions.

17.3 Opening campus facilities: EDB learned that some post-secondary institutions had opened their campus facilities to the public but many difficulties needed to be resolved. While the VTC campus needed to provide adequate facilities for its students, the bureau understood that VTC would explore the possibility of opening some of its campus facilities for public use where feasible.

17.4 Transport: EDB learned that VTC had considered pedestrian flow and the distribution of student residences when formulating school bus arrangements. For instance, it planned to set up school bus stops in Yau Tong or other locations instead of Lam Tin with higher pedestrian flow. Regarding GMB services, VTC would also gladly discuss with the GMB operator how to improve service arrangements when the campus opened. EDB stated that the bureau and VTC would continue to work with other government departments, such as the Planning Department, CEDD and TD, to jointly review how to enhance local transport facilities.

- 17.5 LPG filling station: In response to Members' suggestion to re-provision the LPG filling station in another location, EDB would convey the view to EEB. However, the bureau learned that there was a demand from LPG taxis and minibuses for a filling station in the area.
- 17.6 Explaining project progress in the community: EDB expressed its willingness to maintain communication with Members and follow up as needed.
18. The supplementary response from the project consultant representative was as follows:
- 18.1 Glass curtain walls: The project consultant indicated that glass curtain walls would not be installed on campus. However, large glass windows would be used in areas with better sea views, or half-height glass windows would be fitted on other floors. That said, the project team would take note of the light refraction issue of the glass materials, but believed that it would not significantly impact Laguna City, located to the north of the campus.
19. The supplementary response from the representative of VTC was as follows:
- 19.1 Transport: VTC would discuss with the minibus operator how to adjust minibus services based on the number of students. As for the school bus arrangements, VTC would leverage relevant experience from its other campuses to make appropriate arrangements according to student needs while monitoring the ancillary transport facilities near the new campus.
- 19.2 Opening campus facilities: VTC reiterated that the main infrastructure of the campus, including restaurants, sports facilities and the library, was set up based on the needs and number of students. What mattered most was to meet the needs of both students and staff. According to VTC's experience, there were complaints from students at post-secondary institutions about too many outsiders using the campus restaurants. Therefore, VTC hoped that Members could understand that priority would be given to students in using the campus facilities.
- 19.3 Car park: VTC would actively consider Members' suggestions but indicated that if outsiders were allowed to use the campus car park, designs for campus roads and fee-charging facilities, among others, would need to align with such arrangements. VTC had to conduct a study on this matter.
20. The Chairman concluded that the Cha Kwo Ling waterfront was an important natural asset

for Kwun Tong District. All parties concerned hoped that EDB and relevant departments could successfully advance the projects of the open space and educational facilities there, and that, throughout the process, they would continue to maintain close communication with KTDC and Kwun Tong residents so as to build a better waterfront.

21. The meeting noted the paper.

**Item III – Kowloon East Harbourfront Event Space - Sites and Facilities Beneath Kwun Tong Bypass**  
**(KTDC Paper No. 20/2024)**

22. The Chairman welcomed Head, Deputy Head, Senior Project Facilitation Manager and Place Making Manager (Design)<sup>2</sup> of the Energizing Kowloon East Office (“EKEO”) to the meeting to brief KTDC on the new mode of operation and tendering matters of the Kowloon East Harbourfront Event Space (“Event Space”) - Sites and Facilities Beneath Kwun Tong Bypass.

23. The representative of EKEO presented the paper.

24. Members raised views and enquiries as follows:

24.1 Mr LAM Fung (i) agreed that EKEO’s incorporation of commercial elements and other tenderers in the tender exercise could help maximise the potential of the event sites beneath Kwun Tong Bypass (“event sites”); (ii) opined that extending the tenancy term of the event sites from four to five years could enhance flexibility; (iii) was concerned about how EKEO would review the background of tenderers, including information on their shareholders, directors and operational teams; (iv) agreed with dividing the tender evaluation criteria into two parts, namely rental and technical aspects, but hoped that the weighting of the rent submission would be lower than that of the technical submission to prevent the contractor from passing on the high rent to consumers; (v) suggested that EKEO include the tenderer’s relationship and cooperation history with local groups and stakeholders as part of the evaluation criteria for the technical submission; and (vi) complimented the inclusion of value-added proposals in the evaluation criteria, including promoting sports and water sports/recreation activities, fostering links with community groups, and advocating for social inclusion.

24.2 Mr LAU Kar-wah was concerned about the supervision of the contractor by EKEO, including the murals designed under the flyover at the event sites. He suggested that EKEO include complaint handling mechanisms and penalties in the tender documents.

- 24.3 Mr LUI Tung-hai enquired (i) how EKEO would handle the situation if only one tender was received in the end; (ii) whether EKEO had any corresponding monitoring and penalty measures in place if the contractor performed poorly in handling venue rental applications and received complaints; and (iii) whether EKEO had established a mechanism to suspend the contract if the contractor failed to meet the specified targets during the contract period.
- 24.4 Ms FU Pik-chun opined that the event sites currently had fewer commercial elements. Therefore, she suggested that when tendering for a new contractor, the commercial elements in the mode of operation should be strengthened. For instance, catering and retail facilities should be added. This would make the event sites more diverse and vibrant, increase the public's intent to visit and boost economic benefits.
- 24.5 Ms Sophia LEE enquired (i) whether the composition of the evaluation committee would include district personalities or District Council ("DC") Members; (ii) how the weighting of various evaluation criteria would be assigned; and (iii) what measures EKEO would take if the contractor breached the Law of the People's Republic of China on Safeguarding National Security in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region ("HKNSL") or failed to meet the specified targets during the contract period.
- 24.6 Mr WONG Chun-ping noted that EKEO planned to include national security clauses in the contract terms. He enquired whether, if the contractor breached the relevant clauses during the contract period, EKEO would take other follow-up actions besides terminating the contract.
- 24.7 Ms Juliana YU pointed out that the proposed evaluation criteria placed emphasis on the number of events committed by the tenderer and enquired how EKEO would ensure the quality of these events. In addition, regarding the current contract for the event sites, she enquired whether EKEO would prepare an assessment report to review the most and least popular events organised by the current contractor during its operation period; and if so, when the report would be completed.
- 24.8 Mr HSU Yau-wai enquired whether there was still space at the event sites to set up a smart car park or a temporary car park to facilitate residents visiting the site for spending.
- 24.9 Mr WONG Kai-san said that multiple items in the proposed evaluation criteria required tenderers to fill in the quantities themselves. He enquired whether EKEO had

established minimum required quantities.

24.10 Mr TAM Siu-cheuk said that (i) EKEO should learn from past experiences and, in addition to including national security clauses in the contract terms, consider adding relevant provisions from Article 23 of the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region; (ii) EKEO should consider comprehensive ways to deal with suspected breaches of the law by the contractor during its operation, such as issuing warnings or immediately terminating the contract; and (iii) in the past eight years, the mode of operation of the event sites was not primarily aimed at making profits. He suggested that, apart from considering profitability in this tender exercise, the relationship between the tenderer and the commercial and industrial sector in Kowloon East should be taken into account during the evaluation. This included how local enterprises in Kowloon East would be promoted to complement the development of the second core business district (“CBD2”), so as to achieve the purpose of establishing a waterfront event space in Kowloon East.

24.11 Mr TSANG Wing-fai was concerned about the extension of the tenancy term of the sites to five years. Given the relatively poor economic environment at present, he enquired what contingency measures EKEO had in place if the contractor failed to meet the committed targets in the tender. In addition, he enquired whether EKEO had any mechanisms or clauses to deal with situations where, despite not breaching the HKNSL, the events organised by the contractor failed to meet expectations.

25. The representative of EKEO responded to Members’ views and enquiries as follows:

25.1 Consideration of the relationship between the tenderer and Kowloon East: EKEO agreed with Members’ views and stated that the general direction of the current tender exercise was aimed at aligning with the overall development mode of Kowloon East, with a primary focus on facilitating the development of CBD2. Therefore, EKEO had included various stakeholders, including commercial groups, in this tender exercise to leverage market forces in enhancing the vibrancy and economic benefits of the sites.

25.2 Profit model: EKEO said that although the operation of the event sites should achieve break-even to ensure that the contractor could operate on a self-financing basis, generating profit was not the primary goal of the project. Therefore, the rent submission would have a relatively lower weighting than that of the technical submission during evaluation. More emphasis would be placed on the technical submission to ensure that the contractor met the tender requirements.

- 25.3 Penalties: EKEO said that if the contractor breached the contract terms, EKEO could choose to terminate the contract in accordance with the provisions of the contract. EKEO would establish a monitoring committee and require the contractor to submit reports regularly to review its performance through close communication, ensuring that its operational performance met EKEO's expectations.
- 25.4 Minimum requirements for the number of events in the evaluation criteria: EKEO said that it would set an appropriate basic requirement. If the number of events proposed and committed by the tenderer exceeded the basic requirement, higher scores would be awarded. In addition to evaluating the number of events, EKEO would also assess the quality of the events, including the type of events, target participants, publicity means and detailed event plans. Also, EKEO would consider how the tenderer would sustain the management of the event sites, including regular maintenance and repair of site facilities.
- 25.5 Weighting of evaluation criteria: EKEO noted Members' views and considered that the tenderers' past and future cooperation with local groups, as well as how they supported residents and disadvantaged groups in Kowloon East, were important factors. EKEO would further enhance the evaluation criteria based on Members' comments.
- 25.6 Details regarding the contract terms: EKEO said that the tender document would clearly specify that, if there was suspicion or if the contractor had indeed violated or was currently violating the HKNSL, EKEO could immediately terminate the contract. For breaches of other laws, EKEO would handle them according to established procedures.
- 25.7 Site spaces: EKEO said that Site 01 and Site 03 were mainly large event spaces. As for Site 02, as indicated on the site plan, some areas were designated as non-building areas, while the areas where construction was permitted were equipped with suitable indoor facilities for the contractor's use. Nevertheless, EKEO welcomed tenderers to propose plans for altering the existing indoor facilities to host a wider variety of commercial activities and enhance operational efficiency. Any alterations, however, must not exceed the area covered by the existing structures to avoid impacting site operations due to extensive alterations. Regarding car parks, the Event Space included Site 04, which was designated as a car park by TD several years ago. Hence, if large-scale events were to be held at the Event Space in the future, participants could use the car park at Site 04. EKEO hoped to reserve as much space as possible for the contractor to operate and therefore Sites 01 to 03 had not been used as car parks.

25.8 Tendering procedures: EKEO said that if only one tender was received in the end, it would still be evaluated in accordance with the established procedures. The tender would be carefully reviewed to see if it met the requirements. Regarding the structure of the evaluation committee, EKEO said that to avoid conflicts of interest, the committee would be composed of Government representatives, including those from EKEO.

26. Members raised follow-up views and enquiries as follows:

26.1 Mr YU Siu-lun enquired EKEO about (i) how it would promote the tender exercise to interested groups; (ii) whether it would set key performance indicators for tenderers to facilitate evaluation; (iii) whether it would encourage the contractor to reinvest part of its profits into developing the site; and (iv) whether it would invite DC Members to join the monitoring committee.

26.2 Mr KAN Ming-tung was concerned that when there was a large number of people at the sites, tenants running small businesses might not have the capacity or funds to sustain their operations and cope with the situation.

27. The representative of EKEO responded to Members' views and enquiries as follows:

27.1 Publicity methods: EKEO said that it had promoted the tender exercise to various non-governmental organisations, commercial institutions and organisations that had previously bid for other venues. As the project involved a short-term tenancy handled by the Lands Department ("LandsD"), LandsD would also upload information on the tender exercise to its website for public viewing. In addition, EKEO called on DC Members to assist in promoting matters related to the tender exercise, hoping to receive more quality tenders for selection.

27.2 Profit model: EKEO reiterated that although the terms did not impose limits on profits, the contractor still needed to meet the minimum requirements stipulated in the tender and contract terms, such as the commitment to organise no less than a specific number of free events or diverse activities.

27.3 Extension of the tenancy term: EKEO explained that extending the tenancy term of the sites to five years would enable the contractor to adopt a more flexible operational approach and create better opportunities for operation and development. During the five-year tenancy term, EKEO would review the contractor's operation in a timely manner to ensure that its operational performance met EKEO's expectations.

27.4 Mode of operation of the sites: EKEO said that compared to sites in Wan Chai or Central, sites at the Event Space were more oriented towards accommodating small businesses or local merchants. EKEO hoped that the outdoor venues of Site 01 and Site 03 could be utilised to allow small merchants to host activities incorporating various elements, such as markets or festive events.

28. Members continued to raise follow-up views and enquiries as follows:

28.1 Mr LIN Ho-man enquired about the standard and mechanism for evaluating tenders and hoped that the mechanism could facilitate the selection of a contractor who was committed to serving the community.

28.2 Mr CHEUNG Pui-kong expressed concern that there had not been any significant improvement in the ancillary transport facilities for the event sites. Members of the public generally had to walk from the MTR station to the event sites, and minibuses passing by the area did not run frequently. As for those driving, while they could park their vehicles at the car park next to the event sites, the car park was often full. Hence, he hoped that the relevant departments could provide the public with more convenient means to reach the event sites, thereby enhancing their desire to visit.

28.3 Mr PANG Chi-sang pointed out that EKEO should consider various profit-generating options in the tender exercise, allowing the operator to make more profits and thereby enhance service quality. In addition, regarding the establishment of an art gallery, EKEO could consider involving different stakeholders, such as VTC and other schools, to provide greater development opportunities for students in Kwun Tong District and promote community development.

29. The representative of EKEO responded to Members' views and enquiries as follows:

29.1 Evaluation criteria: EKEO said that the Government had sufficient experience in handling tender exercises that adopted a two-envelope approach and that a standardised calculation method was already in place. EKEO said that the preliminary plan was to assign a weighting of 30% to the rent submission and 70% to the technical submission.

29.2 Profit model: EKEO said that most of the current operator's revenue came from restaurant profits, and the venue was already equipped with facilities such as water and electricity. Hence, with the basic facilities and resources in place, EKEO was

confident that it could help the contractor to start providing services promptly.

29.3 Transport issues of the sites: EKEO explained that the nearest MTR station to the event sites was Ngau Tau Kok Station, which was only a seven-minute walk away. Members of the public from other districts could take a ferry to Kwun Tong Ferry Pier, where the drop-off point was also very close to the event sites. In addition, Tsui Ping River would become the district's new focal point after completion of its revitalisation project by the end of this year. The public would be able to walk to the event sites via the Tsui Ping River area and the Kwun Tong Promenade. EKEO also emphasised that tenderers must submit plans for publicity and promotional activities, including informing the public of ways to reach the event sites, to enhance their willingness to attend events there.

30. Mr LAU Kar-wah was surprised by the statement that most of the current operator's revenue came from restaurants and believed that EKEO should reflect on whether there were issues with the design or ancillary facilities of the sites.

31. The representative of EKEO explained that the statement was based on the current situation and reiterated that EKEO's primary goal was not to generate profits from the event sites. The objective of this tender exercise was to align with the overall development mode of Kowloon East and move towards the development of CBD2, while also promoting local culture and community cohesion.

32. The Chairman said that EKEO had listened to Members' views on the agenda item. He hoped that EKEO would consider Members' multifaceted and constructive views when preparing the tender documents and the contract.

33. The meeting noted the paper.

#### **Item IV – District-led Actions Scheme Report** **(KTDC Paper No. 21/2024)**

34. The representative of KTDO presented the paper.

35. The meeting noted the paper.

#### **Item V – Work Reports of Committees and Working Group under KTDC**

**(KTDC Paper No. 22/2024)**

Annex 1: District Facilities and Works Committee

36. The meeting noted the paper.

Annex 2: Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee

37. The meeting noted the paper.

Annex 3: Food, Environment and Hygiene Committee

38. The meeting noted the paper.

Annex 4: Traffic and Transport Committee

39. The meeting noted the paper.

Annex 5: Housing and Development Planning Committee

40. The meeting noted the paper.

Annex 6: Social Welfare and Women Development Committee

41. The meeting noted the paper.

Annex 7: Youth Committee

42. The meeting noted the paper.

Annex 8: National Education Promotion Committee

43. The meeting noted the paper.

Annex 9: Working Group on Boosting Local Economy

44. The meeting noted the paper.

**Item VI — Progress Report on Setting Up Photo-taking Landmarks with Characteristics of Kwun Tong District**  
**(KTDC Paper No. 23/2024)**

45. The Chairman presented the paper.

46. The meeting noted the paper.

**Item VII — Report on Activities to Drive Economic Development in the District – Kwun Tong Summer Night Market in the Year of Dragon**  
**(KTDC Paper No. 24/2024)**

47. The Chairman presented the paper.

48. The meeting noted the paper.

**Item VIII — Any Other Business**

**(A) “Hong Kong Sign Language Day (“HKSLD”) 2024”**

49. The Chairman reported that the Hong Kong Society for the Deaf (“HKSD”) had earlier written to invite KTDC to become a supporting organisation of HKSLD 2024. HKSD would hold an event on 22 September at The Wai in Tai Wai, offering activities such as sign language games, interactive experiences and exhibitions to allow the public to learn sign language and experience the culture of the hearing impaired.

50. The above-mentioned activity, which helped to promote sign language and the importance of barrier-free communication, was very meaningful. The meeting endorsed accepting the invitation from HKSD to become a supporting organisation of HKSLD 2024.

**(B) “HKYouth+” Youth Mobile Application (“HKYouth+”) launched by the Home and Youth Affairs Bureau (“HYAB”)**

51. The Chairman reported that HYAB launched HKYouth+ earlier, providing a one-stop platform to disseminate information about youth development programmes. Young people could explore different opportunities and activities according to their individual needs and interests.

52. The Chairman said that HKYouth+ was a comprehensive platform specially designed for Hong Kong youths to provide various information and activities that covered many different areas, including personal development opportunities, local hot topics, national development, arts and leisure, innovation and technology, physical and mental wellness. It enabled young people to explore different areas of interest and enrich themselves with various learning resources. The Chairman urged Members to download HKYouth+ and encourage their friends and neighbours to do the same.

**(C) Proposed Installation of Closed Circuit Televisions (“CCTVs”) at Escalators or Connecting Passageways in Kwun Tong District**

53. Ms Sophia LEE proposed installing CCTVs in public areas, such as escalators or connecting passageways, in Kwun Tong District to ensure public safety. As an example, she mentioned that the escalator connecting Hiu Kwong Street to Hiu Ming Street was not equipped with CCTVs, posing safety risks. According to her understanding, a sex crime occurred at the location in 2022 and many students used the escalator. Hence, she enquired whether the police would install additional CCTVs in the district.

54. District Commander (Sau Mau Ping) of the Hong Kong Police Force said that the police planned to install CCTVs in the Sau Mau Ping area. The first phase of the plan was ongoing and covered 29 crime black spots in the area. Although the locations mentioned by Ms LEE were not included in the current phase, she said that these locations could be considered when the next phase was launched.

**Item IX — Date of Next Meeting**

55. The next meeting was scheduled to be held on 5 September 2024 (Thursday).

56. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

The minutes of the meeting were confirmed on 5 September 2024.

**Kwun Tong District Council Secretariat**  
**September 2024**