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# Minutes of the Third Meeting of the Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee (2024) of the <a href="Meeting District Council"><u>Kwai Tsing District Council</u></a>

Date: 5 June 2024

Time: 2:30 p.m. - 3:05 p.m.

Venue: Kwai Tsing District Office ("K&T DO") Conference Room

<u>Present</u>	Time of Arrival	<b>Time of Departure</b>
Mr POON Chi-shing, MH (Chairman)	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Ms Miranda CHAN Oi-yi (Vice Chairman)	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Ms WANG Chung-wing	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Mr NG Yam-fung Benny	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Mr LEE Wai-lok	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Mr CHOW Kim-ho	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Miss CHAU Kit-ying	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Ms LAM Ying-wai	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Ms LAM Chui-ling, MH, JP	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Ms LEUNG Kar-ming, MH	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Miss MOK Yee-ki	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Ms GUO Huimin	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Ms CHAN On-ni	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Mr CHAN Chi-wing, MH	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Mr PANG Yap-ming	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Miss WONG Shuk-man	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Mr YIP Cheung-chun, MH	2:35 p.m.	End of Meeting
Ms LAU Mei-lo	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Mr LAU Hing-wah, James, BBS, MH, JP	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Mr AU Chi-fai	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Ms TANG Lai-ling	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Ms CHENG Lam	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Miss LO Yuen-ting, MH	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting
Mr SO Pak-tsan, MH	Start of Meeting	End of Meeting

#### **Standing Representatives of Departments and Institutions**

Ms YIP Sau-ling, Irene Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) Kwai

Tsing, Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Mr NGAI Kwok-kwan, Maxx Deputy District Leisure Manager (Kwai Tsing)1, Leisure

and Cultural Services Department

Miss LEUNG Wai-nga, Viola Senior Manager (New Territories South) Promotion,

Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Ms WONG Ching-yan Senior Librarian (Kwai Tsing), Leisure and Cultural

Services Department

Ms LO Un-chi, Chloe Senior School Development Officer (Kwai Tsing)2,

Education Bureau

**Secretary** 

Miss FUNG Tsz-yan, Amanda Executive Officer (District Council) 5, Kwai Tsing District

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#### **Opening Remarks**

<u>The Chairman</u> welcomed Members and representatives of government departments to the third meeting of the Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee ("CICRC") (2024) of Kwai Tsing District Council ("K&T DC").

#### Confirmation of Minutes of the 2nd Meeting (2024) held on 3 April 2024

2. Members endorsed the minutes unanimously.

#### **Discussion Item**

## Request for Revitalising Central Kwai Chung Park by Developing a New Scenic Spot to Appreciate Flowers

(Proposed by Mr YIP Cheung-chun, MH, Ms TANG Lai-ling, Ms LAM Ying-wai and Miss MOK Yee-ki)

(CICRC Paper Nos. 8/D/2024 and 8a/D/2024)

- 3. Members discussed the aforesaid matter and put forth enquiries and opinions as follows:
  - (i) Recommended that Leisure and Cultural Services Department ("LCSD") cultivate plants of various species with reference to seasonal changes or set

up a large sea of LED flowers in Central Kwai Chung Park, so as to attract more members of the public to visit. In addition, LCSD could consider revitalising the Stone House in the park, which used to be part of a dairy farm, as well as organising guided tours to help more members of the public understand its historical background;

- (ii) Hoped that LCSD would refer to the scenic area of Tai Tong in Yuen Long by growing special plants, or would regularly organise activities in Central Kwai Chung Park, so as to attract visitors within and outside the district;
- (iii) The children's play equipment, sports facilities and fitness equipment in Central Kwai Chung Park are rather outdated, so Members hoped that LCSD could renovate and increase the supply of relevant facilities for encouraging the public to exercise diligently;
- (iv) Recommended that LCSD refer to the installations set up earlier in Maritime Square and Tsing Yi Northeast Park and hold roving exhibitions on historical heritage in various parks. LCSD could also refer to the past Azalea Festival at Lantau Link Viewing Platform, and arrange more comprehensive traffic measures as well as provide more directional signs near the park during festive periods;
- (v) Noted that a lacrosse team hires two 5-a-side soccer pitches in Central Kwai Chung Park as training bases on a long-term basis. Therefore, LCSD was recommended to allocate more resources for emerging sports and re-plan the design of the 5-a-side soccer pitches;
- (vi) By making reference to the Bougainvillea Alley at Un Chau Estate, as well as the Tabebuia Gallery and Jao Tsung-I Academy in Lai Chi Kok, LCSD could introduce scenic spots suitable for photo-taking and also organise workshops to attract greater crowd, thereby bringing more visitors to nearby shopping malls;
- (vii) Enquired about the periods and areas of the exhibitions at the Fragrant Garden and the Camellia Garden. Members also hoped that LCSD would not only make reference to the "Night Vibes" activities in Tai Po, the sea of hydrangea flowers on Tsing Yi Promenade and the display of the yellow rubber ducks, but also consider allowing stalls to hawk during special events;

- (viii) Recommended LCSD use different social media for publicity to attract tourists;
- (ix) Recommended LCSD hold a potted plant transplant day, allowing students to transplant the flowers planted under the "One Person, One Flower Scheme" to Central Kwai Chung Park;
- (x) After referring to the participation method of the "The Evergreen" Award Scheme, Members enquired whether LCSD would set up similar check-in spots at Central Kwai Chung Park or other scenic spots in Kwai Tsing District; and
- (xi) Suggested that LCSD hold planting activities to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China together with the primary and secondary schools, as well as the District Council, of the district.
- 4. <u>The Chairman</u> reiterated the terms of reference of CICRC, stating that Members should discuss matters such as community participation and arts activities in the district. For any issue related to district facilities and works, he would recommend bringing it up to the District Facilities and Works Committee for handling.
- 5. <u>Deputy District Leisure Manager (Kwai Tsing)1 of LCSD</u> responded as follows:
  - (i) Central Kwai Chung Park, which was formerly a dairy farm, was incorporated with nature conservation elements and sustainable design when being transformed into a park. The existing facilities include children's playgrounds, five-a-side soccer pitches, basketball courts and roller skating rink. The park has been built along the mountain and all along been popular among morning walkers;
  - (ii) The Department set up the Fragrant Garden and the Tea Garden in 2023. Subject to the availability of resources, different landscape improvement works would be carried out in stages according to the characteristics of the park to provide the public with a pleasantly greening environment;
  - (iii) Central Kwai Chung Park's Stone House was rated Grade 2 Historic Building in 2022. The Antiquities and Monuments Office provides virtual

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tours of selected historic sites on its website, allowing the public to see the appearance and design of the entire Stone House. At that time, the stone house was used as the park's office and the classroom of the Department's training team, and the training team would carry out horticulture and arboriculture courses within the boundary of the park;

(iv) Incorporating with the characteristics of Central Kwai Chung Park, the Department would regularly organise different types of activities, including orienteering activities;

(Post-meeting note: LCSD had once commissioned relevant sports associations to organise orienteering activities.)

- (v) Subject to the availability of resources, the Department would study the feasibility of renovating both the children's play equipment and the fitness equipment; and
- (vi) The Department holds community planting days every year and would invite kindergarten pupils for participation.

#### **Any Other Business**

6. There was no other business.

#### **Date of Next Meeting**

7. The next meeting was scheduled to be held on 7 August 2024 (Wednesday).

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