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**Sai Kung District Council**  
**Education, Health and Social Welfare Committee**  
**Minutes of the Second Meeting in 2021**

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Date: 19 March 2021 (Friday)

Time: 12:05 p.m.

Venue: Conference Room of the Sai Kung District Council

<b><u>Present</u></b>	<b><u>From</u></b>	<b><u>To</u></b>
Mr CHAN Wai-lit (Chairman)	12:05 p.m.	12:46 p.m.
Mr FUNG Kwan-on (Vice-Chairman)	12:05 p.m.	12:46 p.m.
Ms CHAN Ka-lam, Debby	12:05 p.m.	12:46 p.m.
Mr CHAN Yiu-chor, Andrew	12:05 p.m.	12:46 p.m.
Mr CHAU Yin-ming, Francis, BBS, MH	12:05 p.m.	12:46 p.m.
Mr CHEUNG Chin-pang, Edwin	12:05 p.m.	12:46 p.m.
Mr CHEUNG Wai-chiu	12:05 p.m.	12:46 p.m.
Mr CHOI Ming-hei	12:05 p.m.	12:46 p.m.
Mr CHUN Hoi-shing	12:05 p.m.	12:46 p.m.
Mr HO Wai-hong, Stanley	12:05 p.m.	12:46 p.m.
Mr LAI Wai-tong	12:19 p.m.	12:46 p.m.
Mr LAM Siu-chung, Frankie	12:05 p.m.	12:46 p.m.
Mr LEE Ka-yui	12:05 p.m.	12:46 p.m.
Ms LEUNG Hin-yan	12:05 p.m.	12:46 p.m.
Mr LUI Man-kwong	12:05 p.m.	12:46 p.m.
Mr OR Yiu-lam, Ricky	12:05 p.m.	12:46 p.m.
Mr TSE Ching-fung	12:05 p.m.	12:46 p.m.
Ms WONG Cheuk-nga, Valerie	12:05 p.m.	12:46 p.m.
Mr YIP Brandon Kenneth	12:05 p.m.	12:46 p.m.
Mr YU Tsun-ning	12:05 p.m.	12:46 p.m.
Miss LUI Cheuk-wing, Cheryl (Secretary)	Executive Officer (District Council)3, Sai Kung District Office	

**In Attendance**

Mr LEE Yin-ho, Ryan	Member, Sai Kung District Council
Ms TSOI Leung-leung, Teresa	Senior Executive Officer (District Council), Sai Kung District Council
Ms AU Kit-ling, Vivian	Liaison Officer i/c (Tseung Kwan O)West, Sai Kung District Office
Mr TANG Wing-chi, Kenneth	Senior School Development Officer (Sai Kung)1, Education Bureau
Ms MAK Wai-kuen, Priscilla	Deputy District Leisure Manager (Sai Kung)1, Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Ms LAM Yuen-ting, Heidi	Assistant District Social Welfare Officer (Wong Tai Sin/Sai Kung)3, Social Welfare Department
Mr WONG Yan-to	District Relations Manager – Kowloon and Sai Kung, CLP Power Hong Kong Limited

**Absent**

Mr CHENG Chung-man

Mr CHUNG Kam-lun  
Mr LUK Ping-choi

### **Welcome Remarks**

The Chairman welcomed all Members and representatives of various departments and organisations to the meeting of the Sai Kung District Council (SKDC) Education, Health and Social Welfare Committee (EHSWC), particularly Mr Kenneth TANG, Senior School Development Officer (Sai Kung)1, Education Bureau (EDB), who had succeeded Ms YU Hoi-ling as the representative of EDB.

2. The Chairman said the following Members had submitted the Notification of Absence from Meeting before the meeting as required:

- Mr CHUNG Kam-lun, because he was not granted bail;
- Mr LUK Ping-choi, due to other work commitments.

3. There being no objection from Members, the Chairman declared that the applications for absence from meeting were approved in accordance with Order 51(1) of the Sai Kung District Council Standing Orders.

4. Members noted the withdrawal of Mr LAI Ming-chak from EHSWC earlier and the endorsement of the updated membership list by email circulation on 8 March 2021.

### **I. Confirmation of Minutes of the 6<sup>th</sup> Education, Health and Social Welfare Committee (EHSWC) Meeting held on 5 November 2020**

5. The Chairman said the Secretariat had not received any proposed amendment before the meeting. As no other amendment was proposed at the meeting, the Chairman declared that the above minutes were confirmed.

### **II. Matters Arising**

(A) Issue referred by Environmental Hygiene, Climate Change, Agriculture and Fisheries Committee: Enquiry about the current utilisation and future planning directions of Tui Min Hoi Market  
(SKDC(EHSWC) Paper No. 1/21)  
(Paragraphs 71 to 74 of the minutes of the last meeting)

6. The Chairman said as a question was related to the above item and there being no objection from Members, the Chairman declared that the two items would be discussed together.

**Enquiry about the arrangements concerning the site of Tui Min Hoi Market after 1 January 2021**  
**(SKDC(EHSWC) Paper Nos. 11/21, 16/21 and 17/21)**

7. The Chairman said the question was raised by Ms LEUNG Hin-yan.

8. Members noted the written replies from the District Lands Office, Sai Kung (DLO/SK) and Social Welfare Department (SWD) with regard to item (A) under Matters Arising and the written reply from SWD with regard to Question (1).

9. Ms LEUNG Hin-yan mentioned that SWD had submitted an application to DLO/SK for permanent use of the site of the former Tui Min Hoi Market, and DLO/SK was currently conducting consultation on the application, and she welcomed such developments. She asked SWD about the work progress and development plans concerning the above premises. Besides, she hoped that relevant departments would provide a temporary pedestrian walkway outside the market to ensure residents' safety.

10. Ms Heidi LAM, Assistant District Social Welfare Officer (WTS/SK)3, SWD replied that SWD planned to set up a team of Home Care Services for Frail Elderly Persons at the site concerned for provision of home-based care and support services to frail elders in the district. Besides, she mentioned that as SWD was waiting for the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) to remove the structures unsuitable for use and to carry out reinstatement works, the site concerned had not been taken over.

11. The Chairman asked the Secretariat to write to FEHD, expressing EHSWC's request for provision of a temporary pedestrian walkway outside the former Tui Min Hoi Market.

12. There being no other comments, the Chairman declared that the above item would be deleted at the next meeting.

(B) Request for inclusion of Members of District Councils in the notification mechanism for confirmed cases in rural areas to prevent them from being misled by the incorrect information disseminated by Centre for Health Protection  
(SKDC(EHWC) Paper No. 2/21)  
(Paragraphs 75 to 76 of the minutes of the last meeting)

13. Members noted the written reply from the Department of Health (DH).

14. There being no other comments, the Chairman declared that the above item would be deleted at the next meeting.

(C) Request government departments to provide community support to children with special educational needs and their carers  
(SKDC(EHWC) Paper No. 3/21)  
(Paragraphs 114 to 127 of the minutes of the last meeting)

15. Members noted the written reply from SWD.

16. There being no other comments, the Chairman declared that the above item would be deleted at the next meeting.

(D) Request Sai Kung District Health Centre Express to set up Satellite Centres in rural areas, submit the content of successful bids to Sai Kung District Council and enter villages on a regular basis to provide residents with primary medical service after commencement of operation of the Centres  
(SKDC(EHWC) Paper No. 4/21)  
(Paragraphs 128 to 146 of the minutes of the last meeting)

17. Members noted the written reply from the Food and Health Bureau (FHB).

18. Ms LEUNG Hin-yan asked FHB about the progress of inviting tenders for operation

of the District Health Centre Express (“DHC Express”) and when the result of the tender exercise would be announced.

19. The Chairman said FHB anticipated that the contract would be awarded to the “DHC Express” operator in April 2021. He asked the Secretariat to write to FHB, inviting the bureau to provide the result of the tender exercise at a later time and to arrange the operator to attend EHSWC meetings to briefly introduce its service scheme.

20. The Chairman declared that the above item would be retained.

(E) Request for strengthening education and measures on water sport safety  
(SKDC(EHSWC) Paper Nos. 5/21 to 7/21)  
(Paragraphs 153 to 158 of the minutes of the last meeting)

21. Members noted the written replies from the Marine Department (MD), Hong Kong Police Force (HKPF) and Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD).

22. Ms Debby CHAN said regarding the expansion of the Private Mooring (PM) Area at Tso Wo Hang Pier, she suggested that MD, HKPF and LCSD enhance education on water sport safety and include in publicity leaflets the points to note on conducting water sports activities near the PM Area.

23. Ms Priscilla MAK, Deputy District Leisure Manager (Sai Kung)1, LCSD replied that the PM Area at Tso Wo Hang Pier was not under LCSD’s purview.

24. The Vice-Chairman suggested that LCSD step up efforts in educating the public about water sport safety and include relevant points to note in publicity leaflets, with a view to enhancing the safety awareness of the public.

25. The Chairman asked the Secretariat to convey EHSWC’s views to MD, HKPF and LCSD in writing and declared that the above item would be retained.

(F) Enquiry about how to prevent burglaries in rural areas  
(SKDC(EHSWC) Paper No. 8/21)  
(Paragraphs 164 to 171 of the minutes of the last meeting)

26. Members noted the written reply from HKPF.

27. There being no other comments, the Chairman declared that the item would be deleted at the next meeting.

(G) Request the Government to confirm allocation of additional resources in the soonest possible time to assist organisations and subvented organisations under the Social Welfare Department in providing support services for members of the public experiencing various emotional distress during the epidemic  
(SKDC(EHSWC) Paper No. 9/21)  
(Paragraphs 198 to 203 of the minutes of the last meeting)

28. Members noted the written reply from SWD.

29. There being no other comments, the Chairman declared that the item would be deleted at the next meeting.

(H) Request for setting up the Working Group on Matters Concerning Transient Workers in Sai Kung District  
(Paragraphs 212 to 221 of the minutes of the last meeting)

30. The Secretary said EHSWC had endorsed the establishment of the Working Group on Matters Concerning Transient Workers in Sai Kung District at its sixth meeting in 2020 and had also drawn up the terms of reference (ToR) of the Working Group. Given that District Councils (DCs) and their committees and working groups should conform to the relevant requirements under the District Councils Ordinance (the Ordinance) in terms of establishment, composition, functions, etc., the Sai Kung District Office (SKDO) had to consult relevant departments on the establishment and ToR of the Working Group. The Secretary then asked whether Members had any additions or amendments to the proposed ToR.

31. Ms Debby CHAN enquired about the proposed ToR.

32. The Secretary replied that the proposed ToR was “to improve the rights and interests of transient workers in the district, establish a district-based platform and create conditions that facilitate residents to secure employment in Sai Kung district”.

33. There being no other comments, the Secretary said Members would be invited to join the Working Group on Matters Concerning Transient Workers in Sai Kung District by email after the meeting, and the membership list would be endorsed by way of circulation of paper. When preparing the agenda for future meetings, SKDO would continue to consult relevant bureaux and departments about the discussion items raised by Members as necessary so as to ensure the items were compatible with the functions specified in Section 61 of the Ordinance.

34. The Chairman asked the Secretariat to invite Members to join the Working Group on Matters Concerning Transient Workers in Sai Kung District by email after the meeting.

### **III. Report Item**

(A) Partnership activities with funding approved by the Finance & Administration Committee  
(SKDC(EHSWC) Paper No. 10/21)

35. Members noted the content of the above paper.

36. The Chairman said the full council of SKDC had endorsed that the “Sai Kung Bicycle and Road Safety Campaign 2020-2021” would be co-organised by the Working Group on Healthy and Safe City Activities, Working Group on Road Safety in Sai Kung District, and Hong Kong Road Safety Association (HKRSA) by way of circulation of paper in September 2020. School-based promotional activities of the campaign had concluded successfully. However, in view of the epidemic development, HKRSA, after consulting the Convenors of the two Working Groups, had decided to cancel the “Visit to Sau Mau Ping Road Safety Town” and “Sai Kung Bicycle and Road Safety Promotion Day”, which had originally been scheduled for November 2020 and January 2021 respectively. Members noted the progress of the campaign.

### **IV. Motions Raised by Members**

(A) The motion raised by Members

- (1) **Request the Social Welfare Department to set up a Family Support Networking Team in Sai Kung district for early identification of families in need and provision of appropriate support services**  
(SKDC(EHSWC) Paper Nos. 13/21 and 15/21)

37. The Chairman said the motion was moved by Mr TSE Ching-fung and seconded by Messrs Andrew CHAN, CHOI Ming-hei and Stanley HO.

38. Members noted the written reply from SWD.

39. There being no amendment or objection from Members, the Chairman declared that the motion was passed.

(B) The 3 questions raised by Members

- (1) **Enquiry about the arrangements concerning the site of Tui Min Hoi Market after 1 January 2021**  
(SKDC(EHSWC) Paper Nos. 11/21, 16/21 and 17/21)

40. The Chairman said the question had been discussed together with another item earlier.

(Note: Please refer to paragraphs 7 to 12.)

- (2) **Enquiry about obstetrics and gynaecology services in Sai Kung district**  
(SKDC(EHSWC) Paper Nos. 12/21 and 18/21)

41. The Chairman said the question was raised by Ms LEUNG Hin-yan.

42. Members noted the consolidated written reply from FHB, the Hospital Authority (HA) and the Census and Statistics Department (C&SD).

43. Ms LEUNG Hin-yan said pregnant women living in Sai Kung Town Centre had to visit Tseung Kwan O Hospital (TKOH) in Hang Hau for antenatal check-ups, and some of them even needed to obtain delivery services from hospitals in other districts. She reckoned that such arrangements were inconvenient for pregnant women living in Sai Kung. Therefore, she requested that EHSWC write to FHB, HA and C&SD to enquire about the ratio of pregnant women in the district using public hospital services to those using private hospital services, population of women of childbearing age in the district and its trend, and population of pregnant women in the district and its trend. She was also dissatisfied that DH had not sent any representative to attend the meeting.

44. The Vice-Chairman said among the pregnant women obtaining delivery services of the Kowloon East Hospital Cluster in recent years, 30% lived in Sai Kung district. He pointed out that United Christian Hospital faced immense pressure in delivering services. HA should review the obstetric services of the cluster in the long term and study the provision of such services in TKOH in order to meet the demand of Sai Kung residents.

45. The Chairman said as the EHSWC meeting had been postponed, the Senior Executive Officer (Patient & Community Relations) of TKOH was unable to attend the present meeting

due to other work commitments. He asked the Secretariat to write to FHB, HA and C&SD for further enquiries.

**(3) Enquire whether persons in custody at Pik Uk Correctional Institution (including persons on remand and sentenced persons) are considered individuals in Sai Kung district**

46. The Chairman said SKDO pointed out in a letter dated 28 December 2020 that it was inappropriate to discuss the item in SKDC due to its incompatibility with the DC functions specified in Section 61 of the Ordinance, and the Secretariat would not provide any secretarial services.

**V. Any Other Business**

**(A) Updated membership list of the Working Groups established under EHSWC (SKDC(EHSWC) Paper No. 14/21)**

47. Members noted the updated membership list of the Working Groups established under EHSWC.

48. There being no objection from Members, the Chairman declared that the above updated membership list was endorsed.

**(B) Issue referred by Sai Kung District Council Meeting: Support for homeless people during the epidemic (SKDC(M) Paper Nos. 35/21, 54/21 and 55/21) (SKDC(EHSWC) Paper No. 19/21)**

49. Members noted the written reply from SKDO.

50. There being no other comments, the Chairman declared that the item would be deleted at the next meeting.

**(C) Issue referred by Housing, Planning and Development Committee: Further enquiries about the Social Welfare Department's response concerning Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines (SKDC(HPDC) Paper Nos. 120/20, 141/20 and 161/20)**

51. Ms LEUNG Hin-yan mentioned that the Planning Department (PlanD) had rezoned two "Government, Institution or Community" sites near Nam Wai and Heung Chung for residential development in 2020, which she deemed undesirable. Although various committees had had numerous discussions on the above matter, the department had not directly answered the question on how to achieve the planning ratios for various welfare services suggested in the Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines (HKPSG). She hoped that the Government, in rezoning sites in future, would deploy resources flexibly and give priority to the rezoning of sites for social welfare purposes, so as to meet residents' demand for welfare services in the district.

52. There being no other comments, the Chairman declared that the item would be deleted at the next meeting.

**(D) Issue referred by Housing, Planning and Development Committee: Enquire about the**

school net to which the schools under planning in the Anderson Road Quarry Site belong  
(SKDC(HPDC) Paper Nos. 24/21 and 39/21)

53. Ms LEUNG Hin-yan enquired about the projections of school-age population in the district and the increase in school places in School Net 95 that would be brought by the Development of Anderson Road Quarry (ARQ) Site project.

54. Mr LAI Wai-tong enquired about the school-age population and the number of school places in the district and their trends. Meanwhile, he enquired about the number of school places to be provided by the schools in the Anderson Road Development (ARD) Area and whether the school places to be provided could meet education needs in the district. Besides, he asked EDB about the concrete School Building Programmes for which school sites in Tseung Kwan O South and LOHAS Park had been reserved.

55. Mr Kenneth TANG, Senior School Development Officer (Sai Kung)1, EDB gave the following consolidated reply:

- Under the Primary One Admission System, school nets were basically delineated by DC districts. EDB could provide EHSWC with projections of the school-age population in the whole Sai Kung district after the meeting, but the bureau did not have records of projections of the school-age population residing in public housing on the ARQ site.
- Under the existing mechanism, PlanD would, in accordance with the guidelines set out in the HKPSG, reserve land for public sector school development having regard to the planned population and service demand in the community. On the basis of the above mechanism, two primary school sites and one secondary school site had been reserved in the development project.
- EDB had carried out school allocation exercise in 2002, in which a primary school site and a secondary school site in Area 86, Tseung Kwan O had been allocated to the Tung Wah Group of Hospitals for operation of aided primary and secondary schools in the “through-train” mode. Yet, taking into account the supply and demand for school places in the district, the bureau had not launched the School Building Programmes.
- EDB would continue to keep track of the population changes and development of housing estates in the district, maintain close communication with the MTR Corporation Limited, and review and implement the School Building Programmes in a timely manner.

56. Mr Francis CHAU expressed that although primary school sites in the ARD Area belonged to School Net 95 in the district, the ARD Area was inconvenient for schoolchildren living in Sai Kung rural areas and Tseung Kwan O town due to its remote location. Moreover, he opined that it had been more than ten years since the three sites in Area 86, Tseung Kwan O had been allocated; given the surplus of school places in the district, EDB could consider reprovisioning of school premises for schools in the district as a substitute for operating new schools.

57. Mr LAI Wai-tong remarked that it was inconvenient for residents in the district to visit the ARD Area, which was geographically close to Kwun Tong district. He was worried that primary and secondary schools in the ARD Area could not attract enrolment of schoolchildren in Sai Kung district and enquired whether residents of On Tat Estate and On Tai Estate could apply for places in schools in the ARD Area. Besides, he mentioned that



in the light of the intakes of large-scale new housing estates in Kwun Tong district and Kai Tak Development Area, in 2017, EDB had invited school sponsoring bodies to operate time-limited primary schools in two vacant school premises for nine years only in order to cope with the transient demand for school places. He then asked whether EDB would consider relocating the two time-limited primary schools to the ARD Area so that the schools could continue operating.

58. Mr Kenneth TANG of EDB gave the following consolidated reply:

- Allocation of school premises was usually conducted on a competitive basis, and the mechanism had been proven effective. Quality of education would be the prime consideration in assessing the applications.
- School allocation exercise for the ARQ Site involved a new primary school premises and a new secondary school premises, both under planning, for the reprovisioning of existing aided and Direct Subsidy Scheme primary and secondary schools.
- If necessary, netting of relevant primary school places to the adjoining Kwun Tong district would be arranged in accordance with the established mechanism.

59. Ms LEUNG Hin-yan opined that it was inconvenient for students in Sai Kung rural areas and Tseung Kwan O town to travel to the ARD Area. Meanwhile, she was worried that the increasing number of school buses and private cars during peak hours would lead to traffic congestion. Furthermore, she enquired whether the secondary school premises and the two primary school premises mentioned by EDB included Canton Road Government Primary School and Rosaryhill School, which were planned to be reprovisioned to Anderson Road. She also asked EDB to provide information on the school-age population and the number of school places in the district by submitting a written reply to EHSWC after the meeting.

60. Mr Kenneth TANG of EDB replied that as regards the two primary school premises and the secondary school premises under planning within the ARQ site, one of the primary school premises had been allocated for reprovisioning of Canton Road Government Primary School. As for the remaining two school premises, it was anticipated that the allocation results would be announced in late March 2021. Furthermore, EDB noted Members' views on the traffic arrangements.

61. The Chairman asked the Secretariat to write to EDB and PlanD for further enquiries.

(E) The 12<sup>th</sup> "Quit to Win" Smoke-free Community Campaign  
(SKDC(EHSWC) Paper No. 20/21)

62. The Chairman said the Hong Kong Council on Smoking and Health (COSH) would soon launch the 12<sup>th</sup> "Quit to Win" Smoke-free Community Campaign. COSH would like to continue to co-operate with the 18 DCs and district organisations, encouraging smokers to quit smoking and organise activities to spread the smoke-free message.

63. There being no other comments, the Chairman declared that SKDC would be a supporting organisation, and the SKDC logo would be provided to COSH for production of publicity materials. EHSWC would later send representatives to attend the launch activity and closing ceremony of the campaign.

64. There being no other comments, the Chairman declared that the Secretariat would

write to invite local organisations to be district partners of the campaign and to hold smoke-free promotion activities in the district.

**(F) Funding applications for 2021-22**

65. The Chairman indicated that although allocation of earmarked funding for the next financial year had not been confirmed as yet, the full Council of SKDC had agreed that the Secretariat would write to invite local organisations to submit applications for co-organised activities in early April 2021 or before so as to ensure that they had ample time to organise various activities. The Social Services Working Group and Working Group on Healthy and Safe City Activities would convene a meeting in mid-April 2021 to vet the applications for co-organised activities, with a view to facilitating EHSWC to decide at its meeting in May 2021 whether to recommend such applications to the Finance and Administration Committee.

**VI. Date of Next Meeting**

66. The Chairman said the next meeting would be held on 6 May 2021 (Thursday) at 9:30 a.m. The meeting was adjourned at 12:47 p.m.

Sai Kung District Council Secretariat  
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