

Sai Kung District Council
Food, Environment and Hygiene Committee
Minutes of the Second Meeting in 2024

Date: 14 March 2024 (Thursday)
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Venue: Conference Room of the Sai Kung District Council

Present

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| Mr WONG Wang-to, MH (Chairman) | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Mr CHAN Kin-chun, Ken (Vice-Chairman) | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Ms FONG Kwok-shan, Christine | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Mr WANG Wen | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Mr WONG Shui-sang | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Mr LI Tin-chi | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Mr LI Ka-leung, Philip, MH | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Ms LI Ka-yan | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Mr CHAU Ka-lok | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Mr LAM Chun-ka | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Ms KI Lai-mei, MH | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Mr YAU Ho-lun | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Ms YU Natasha | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Ms SZE Pan-pan | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Ms WU Suet-lin | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Mr CHEUNG Mei-hung, Chris | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Mr CHEUNG Chin-pang | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Mr CHEUNG Man-tim | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Mr CHONG Yuen-tung, MH | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Ms CHONG Nga-ting, Angel | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Mr CHAN Kwong-fai | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Mr CHAN Kai-wai | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Mr CHAN Kuen-kwan, MH | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Mr TSANG Kwok-ka | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Mr WAN Kai-ming | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Mr WONG Yuen-hong | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Ms KAN Tung-tung | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Mr LAU Kai-hong | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Ms TAM Chuk-kwan | Member of Sai Kung District Council |
| Miss LIEN Sze-ying, Cecilia (Secretary) | Executive Officer (District Council) ⁴ , Sai Kung District Office |

In Attendance

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| Miss MA King-fan, Kathy, JP | District Officer (Sai Kung), Sai Kung District Office |
| Miss LAM I-ching | Assistant District Officer (Sai Kung)1, Sai Kung District Office |
| Mr CHENG Chi-wing, Ken | Senior Liaison Officer (1), Sai Kung District Office |
| Ms LAM Yee-mang, Dawn | Senior Liaison Officer (2), Sai Kung District Office |
| Mr NG Wai-ming | Senior Liaison Officer (3), Sai Kung District Office |
| Mr CHUNG Kai-yin | Senior Executive Officer (District Council), Sai Kung District Office |
| Mr HUI Chun-kwan, Simon | Senior Executive Officer (District Management), Sai Kung District Office |
| Miss LEE Kit-ting, Katie | Liaison Officer i/c (Tseung Kwan O) South, Sai Kung District Office |
| Ms WONG Hiu-ting, Amanda | Liaison Officer i/c (Pak Sha Wan), Sai Kung District Office |
| Ms YU Hau-ling, Candy | Executive Assistant (District Council)9, Sai Kung District Office |
| Miss LAI Wing-sau, Winsy | District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Sai Kung), Food and Environmental Hygiene Department |
| Ms HO Sau-ying | Chief Health Inspector (Sai Kung) 1, Food and Environmental Hygiene Department |
| Mr HO Yiu-ming | Chief Health Inspector (Sai Kung) 2, Food and Environmental Hygiene Department |
| Mr CHAN Chi-pun, Aaron | Deputy District Leisure Manager (Sai Kung) 2, Leisure and Cultural Services Department |
| Miss WONG Ho-ying, Connie | Senior Environmental Protection Officer (Regional East) 4, Environmental Protection Department |
| Mr TSANG Hin-kei, Nicholas | Environmental Protection Officer (Regional East) 42, Environmental Protection Department |
| Mr CHOW Kin-keung | Administrative Assistant/Lands, District Lands Office, Sai Kung |
| Mr YEUNG Wong-pan | Senior Property Service Manager/ Kowloon West & Sai Kung, Housing Department |
| Mr CHAN Siu-tong, Wilson | Property Service Manager/Service (Kowloon West & Sai Kung) 5, Housing Department |

Welcome Remarks

The Chairman said a quorum was present and the meeting commenced officially.

2. The Chairman welcomed all Members and attendees to the meeting, in particular:

- Miss LAM I-ching, Assistant District Officer (Sai Kung)¹, Sai Kung District Office (SKDO).

3. The Chairman said the Secretariat had not received any Notification of Absence from Meeting submitted by Members before the meeting.

I. Confirmation of Minutes of the 1st Food, Environment and Hygiene Committee (FEHC) Meeting in 2024 held on 5 January 2024

4. The Chairman said the Secretariat had not received any proposed amendment before the meeting. There being no proposed amendment at the meeting, the Chairman declared that the above minutes were confirmed.

II. New Items

- (A) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department's Anti-rodent Campaign 2024 (Phase I) in Sai Kung District
(SKDC(FEHC) Paper No. 1/24)

5. The Chairman invited the representatives of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) to brief Members on the paper.

6. Mr HO Yiu-ming, Chief Health Inspector (Sai Kung) 2, FEHD briefly introduced the paper and said that it had been circulated to Members on 8 January via the Secretariat.

7. Members' views were consolidated as follows:

- They enquired about the effectiveness of the Anti-rodent Campaign 2023 (Phase II) in Sai Kung District, the situation of rodent infestation at the survey locations/black spots (e.g. Po Ning Road) and relevant statistics of the Anti-rodent Campaign from October to December of 2023.
- They suggested including Sai Kung Main Street as one of the target rear lanes of the Anti-rodent Campaign.
- They suggested installing thermal imaging cameras at fixed locations for continuous monitoring of the situation of rodent infestation.
- They suggested stepping up inspections of construction sites and including the relevant information in the report.
- They suggested that FEHD study and adopt the use of baits that were more effective in attracting rodents.

8. Mr HO Yiu-ming, Chief Health Inspector (Sai Kung) 2, FEHD responded as follows:

- FEHD would place poisonous rat baits at locations suspected to be infested with rodents. However, it was not guaranteed that rodents would be caught every time poisonous baits were placed. Besides, FEHD had also used new rodent traps, cage traps, etc. to catch rodents. The numbers of dead and live rodents delivered to FEHD from both members of the public and private property management companies were included in the report. FEHD was satisfied with the overall outcome of the Anti-rodent Campaign 2023 (Phase II), and would provide statistics on the results of the anti-rodent operations from October to December of 2023 after the meeting.
- FEHD would review the situation of rodent infestation at Sai Kung Main Street, and consider including it as one of the target rear lanes in the upcoming Anti-rodent Campaigns based on actual circumstances.
- Starting from 2024, FEHD had adopted thermal imaging cameras with artificial intelligence technology to measure rodent activities, to replace the traditional survey method using baits. To compile the Rodent Infestation Rate of Sai Kung District, three areas, namely Po Ning Road, Po Lam Road and Po Tong Road were designated as survey locations. Around 100 thermal imaging cameras would be installed in the district, so as to conduct the Rodent Activity Survey for calculating the Rodent Absence Rate. The statistics would be updated once every six months for public reference
- The areas of inspection under FEHD's Anti-rodent Campaign covered construction sites, restaurants and markets in the district. In addition, FEHD would deploy staff for regular inspections of licensed food premises and markets. When necessary, FEHD staff would also visit construction sites and other private locations to conduct inspections and offer technical advice on rodent prevention and control.
- To enhance the effectiveness of rat baits, FEHD was currently using mixed baits such as meat mixed with vegetables, bread with peanut butter and barbecued pork. The food baits would be replaced with fresh ones every day to attract rodents. The Pest Control Advisory Section under FEHD would review the effectiveness of rat baits from time to time, and would make adjustments to the baits when appropriate.

(B) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department's Anti-mosquito Campaign 2024 (Phase I) in Sai Kung District
(SKDC(FEHC) Paper No. 2/24)

9. Mr HO Yiu-ming, Chief Health Inspector (Sai Kung) 2, FEHD briefly introduced the paper and said that it had been circulated to Members before the meeting via the Secretariat.

10. Mr HO Yiu-ming, Chief Health Inspector (Sai Kung) 2, FEHD added that FEHD would organise anti-rodent and anti-mosquito publicity activities at Exit A of Tseung Kwan O (TKO) MTR Station and at the main entrance of Sai Kung Market (opposite the public toilet on Yi Chun Street) at 10:00 a.m. on 26 March and 2 April 2024 respectively.

Promotional leaflets and souvenirs would be distributed during the activities. Members were invited to participate.

11. Members' views were consolidated as follows:

- They proposed installing new mosquito trapping devices in villages and extending the Anti-mosquito Campaign to July (i.e. the peak period for mosquito breeding), with enhanced mosquito prevention measures in March and April.
- They suggested that statistics related to the rural areas in Hang Hau should be clearly presented in the report.
- They asked whether statistics related to other mosquito species, in addition to *Aedes albopictus*, had been included in Annex II of the report; if not, they suggested that FEHD include such information.
- They suggested that SKDO increase the frequency of grass cutting in rural areas, so as to prevent the breeding of mosquitoes in weeds.
- They suggested that relevant departments step up inter-departmental collaboration to tackle the infestation of mosquitoes and biting midges at the following locations:
 - the Waterfront Promenade;
 - construction site of the data centre of SUNeVision on Wan Po Road;
 - areas adjacent to the construction sites of noise barriers in TKO;
 - bus stops near hills;
 - open space in Area 72, Tiu Keng Leng;
 - gullies at the roundabouts near Beverly Garden and Tong Ming Court; and
 - public housing estates, such as Sheung Tak Estate, Yee Ming Estate and Kin Ming Estate.

12. Mr HO Yiu-ming, Chief Health Inspector (Sai Kung) 2, FEHD responded as follows:

- As indicated in the work plan in Annex III, FEHD had inspected the vicinity of Siu Hang Hau Village and Tai Hang Hau Village, as well as the public areas off the Hang Hau Rural Committee on 26 February and 1 March 2024 respectively. The areas of inspection under the campaign had already covered the rural areas of Hang Hau. FEHD would review and improve the presentation of information in the tables, and would collaborate with other departments to offer anti-mosquito information or measures to the villages.
- The Anti-mosquito Campaign was a territory-wide campaign, so the implementation timetable for all districts would be the same. FEHD would relay Members' views to the headquarters for consideration. FEHD would also launch territory-wide or thematic operations on mosquito prevention and control with other departments.

- The vicinity of TKO South Waterfront Promenade and Wan Po Road were covered in the Anti-mosquito Campaign.
- Since biting midges were not the main vectors of diseases for humans, the prevention and control of biting midges were not the focus of FEHD's pest control measures. The warm and humid season (from April to May) was the peak period for breeding of biting midges, which usually took place in shady soils with dense vegetation. FEHD hoped that the departments responsible for the management of bedding plants could be more proactive in carrying out control work for biting midges.
- SKDO would line up joint operations at Lohas Park Road and TKO South Waterfront Promenade every year. He believed that SKDO would continue to follow up the matter.
- Since mosquito infestation was more severe in rural areas than urban areas, the Sai Kung District Environmental Hygiene Office had allocated additional resources for rural areas. These efforts included conducting inspections and offering technical advice to relevant stakeholders, spraying larvicidal oil in public places, adopting new mosquito trapping devices and large robotics-enabled foggers, etc. FEHD would continue its endeavours to tackle mosquito infestation in rural areas.
- At present, the use of Gravidtraps could only monitor the activities of *Aedes albopictus*, which were vectors of more serious diseases such as dengue fever and Japanese encephalitis, but not other species of mosquitoes. Therefore, Annex II of the report only provided statistics related to *Aedes albopictus*, excluding other species of mosquitoes.
- FEHD had convened an inter-departmental anti-mosquito task force meeting for Sai Kung District on 6 March 2024. Representatives of various departments and groups had been invited to the meeting, namely the Hospital Authority, the Education Bureau, the District Lands Office/Sai Kung (DLO/SK), the Drainage Services Department, the Highways Department (HyD), the Water Supplies Department (WSD), the Architectural Services Department, the Hong Kong Housing Society, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD), schools, hospitals and housing estates. FEHD had also requested relevant departments to conduct joint anti-mosquito operations.

III. Report Items

- (A) Statistics on Environmental Hygiene Service and Itinerant Hawkers in Sai Kung District
(SKDC(FEHC) Paper Nos. 3/24 to 6/24)

13. Members' views were consolidated as follows:

- They enquired about the following figures of food complaints and food safety inspections as stated in the report:

- (i) item (2)a: the timetable and results of water quality sampling at the swimming pools of private housing estates;
 - (ii) item (3)a: the details of estates with satisfactory and unsatisfactory results); and
 - (iii) item (7)f: the details of the three cases involving feeding of feral birds with issuance of summonses in.
- They suggested increasing the manpower of the Joint Offices for Investigation of Water Seepage Complaints (the JOs) and reviewing the performance of contractors' staff. They also suggested that the JOs provide on-site investigations during weekends, and adopt new technologies to streamline procedures and shorten the processing time.
 - They enquired about the details of the joint enforcement operations against marine hawkers off Wan Poon Path, and suggested conducting the joint enforcement operations against marine hawkers off Sai Kung waterfront and Wan Poon Path earlier than scheduled.
 - They enquired about the results of enforcement actions against pet fouling in public places, and suggested that FEHD step up inspections and enforcement actions.

14. Ms HO Sau-ying, Chief Health Inspector (Sai Kung) 1, FEHD responded as follows:

- “Food inspections” in item (2)a of the report referred to the number of inspections conducted by the Sai Kung District Environmental Hygiene Office to follow up food complaints. FEHD would improve the terminology of the statistical report to avoid confusion.
 - The numbers related to the sampling tests conducted for “water quality and hygiene of swimming pools” in item (3)a of the report included licensed swimming pools in private housing estates.
 - FEHD noted Members’ suggestions on the enforcement operations against “marine hawkers” in item (7)d of the report, and would review relevant strategies to combat unlicensed hawking at sea in due course.
 - FEHD would provide details concerning the prosecution against persons feeding feral birds after the meeting.
 - FEHD had published a public consultation paper on the second-stage environmental hygiene-related legislative amendment proposals in November 2023. The paper included the workflow and methods adopted by the JOs. The public consultation ended in January 2024. Furthermore, FEHD would relay Members’ views on the work performance of contractors to the JOs under the Buildings Department.
 - FEHD noted Members’ views on the problem of pet fouling in public places.
- (B) Issues related to the operation of Temporary Fill Bank at Tseung Kwan O Area 137 and the South East New Territories Landfill (SKDC(FEHC) Paper Nos. 7/24 and 8/24)

15. Members enquired about the construction progress of the Temporary Fill Bank in TKO Area 137, and asked whether the Environmental Protection Department (EPD) had stepped up efforts to improve environmental hygiene and cleanliness in response to the increasing construction works on Wan Po Road.

16. Miss Connie WONG, Senior Environmental Protection Officer (Regional East) 4, EPD said the Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) was in charge of the construction works of the Temporary Fill Bank in TKO Area 137. At present, the majority of the works on Wan Po Road were undertaken by WSD, which involved the laying of fresh water mains for the desalination plant. Some of the other works fell under the purview of CEDD. EPD could relay the environmental hygiene problems to WSD for its follow-up when necessary. EPD had also conducted cleansing on Wan Po Road with CEDD and FEHD to alleviate the environmental problems caused by dump trucks.

(Post-meeting note: EPD had relayed Members' concerns to WSD and CEDD on 18 March, and suggested that both departments improve the environmental hygiene and cleanliness of their construction sites.)

IV. Motions Raised by Members

- (1) Suggestion for the District Lands Office and the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department to enhance communication with the residents and shop operators of Ko Shing Building and Ko Fu Building and clarify law enforcement criteria to the locals
(SKDC(FEHC) Paper No. 9/24)

17. The Chairman said that the motion was moved by Mr LI Tin-chi and seconded by Mr CHAN Kuen-kwan.

18. Members noted the written replies from DLO/SK and FEHD (SKDC(FEHC) Paper Nos. 13/24 and 16/24).

19. Members said shop operators were just unfamiliar with the enforcement criteria and did not intend to violate the law. Many restaurants were located in the alleys and could help revive the local economy. Members hoped FEHD would enhance communication with operators of small shops; and allow them to run their businesses without compromising the environmental hygiene nearby.

20. There being no objection from Members, the Chairman declared that the motion was passed and requested FEHD to follow up.

21. There being no comments from Members, the Chairman declared that the above item would be deleted at the next meeting.

- (2) Request for providing a new public toilet near Tui Min Hoi Market in Sai Kung for public use
(SKDC(FEHC) Paper No. 10/24)

22. The Chairman said the motion was moved by Mr CHAN Kuen-kwan and seconded by Mr LI Tin-chi.

23. Members noted the written reply from FEHD (SKDC(FEHC) Paper No. 14/24).

24. Members said there were only two public toilets located far from the closed Tui Min Hoi Market in Sai Kung. As the pedestrian flow near the minibuses was high, and many of them were elderly persons who might be mobility impaired, they suggested that FEHD provide a new public toilet closer to the market. In the short run, Members suggested that the relevant department provide directional signs to indicate the locations of public toilets around the market, and consider re-opening the public toilet in the market for public use.

25. Ms HO Sau-ying, Chief Health Inspector (Sai Kung) 1, FEHD noted Members' views and would follow up the proposed provision of directional signs.

26. There being no objection from Members, the Chairman declared that the motion was passed and requested FEHD to follow up.

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

- (3) Suggestion for the Water Supplies Department to improve pipework design and follow up on the pipe leakage problem in the newly-designed water supply system which leads to increased difficulties in repairing the leaking water pipes
(SKDC(FEHC) Paper No. 11/24)

28. The Chairman said the motion was moved by Mr CHAN Kuen-kwan and seconded by Mr LI Tin-chi.

29. Members noted the written reply from WSD (SKDC(FEHC) Paper No. 17/24).

30. There being no objection from Members, the Chairman declared that the motion was passed and requested WSD to follow up.

31. There being no comments from Members, the Chairman declared that the above item would be deleted at the next meeting.

- (4) Suggest providing a GREEN@COMMUNITY recycling store at a fixed location in LOHAS Park to facilitate residents' recycling and promote

municipal solid waste charging
(SKDC(FEHC) Paper No. 12/24)

32. The Chairman said the motion was moved by Mr Chris CHEUNG and seconded by Mr CHAN Kai-wai and Mr CHEUNG Chin-pang.

33. Members noted the written reply from EPD (SKDC(FEHC) Paper No. 15/24).

34. Members' views were consolidated as follows:

- They suggested setting up “GREEN@LOHAS Park” or providing other recycling services (e.g. arranging trucks for collecting recyclables) for residents in LOHAS Park.
- They enquired about the number of users of the Recycling Spot at Lohas Park Community Hall.
- To enable the smooth implementation of municipal solid waste charging, they suggested that EPD allocate additional resources and proactively communicate with private housing estates in LOHAS Park, so as to enhance publicity efforts on municipal solid waste charging and offer assistance to housing estates in setting up ancillary recycling facilities.
- They suggested that EPD coordinate with MTR Corporation Limited and consider setting up Recycling Spots or a “GREEN@LOHAS Park” Recycling Store at the heart of LOHAS Park or along the path where all residents of LOHAS Park would take (i.e. The LOHAS shopping mall). They also suggested adjusting the opening hours of the Recycling Spots to make recycling more convenient for residents.

35. Miss Connie WONG, Senior Environmental Protection Officer, (Regional East) 4, EPD said in addition to Recycling Stores with fixed operating hours at fixed locations, there were designated Recycling Spots under “GREEN@SAI KUNG” and “GREEN@PO LAM” to serve the housing estates in LOHAS Park. Besides, EPD had arranged door-to-door collection service for the recycling points in the private housing estates of LOHAS Park. Property management companies were welcome to contact GREEN@COMMUNITY for the said service.

36. There being no objection from Members, the Chairman declared that the motion was passed and requested EPD to follow up.

37. There being no comments from Members, the Chairman declared that the above item would be deleted at the next meeting.

V. Any Other Business

- (1) Summary of District Consultation on the “Issues of Concern to Sai Kung District – Environmental Hygiene”

38. The Chairman said the item had been discussed in the second full council meeting of the Sai Kung District Council and referred to FEHC for follow-up.

39. As there were multiple environmental hygiene-related issues that required follow-up, and there being no objection from Members, the Chairman declared that issues concerning the infestation of rodents and mosquitoes/ biting midges would be followed up first in this meeting, whereas the remaining environmental hygiene issues would be discussed in the subsequent FEHC meetings.

40. Members noted the written replies from FEHD, HyD, DLO/SK, LCSD and the Housing Department (HD) (SKDC(FEHC) Paper Nos. 18/24 to 23/24).

41. Members' views were consolidated as follows:

- They suggested that FEHD, upon receipt of reports on rodent infestation, take the initiative to refer cases of which the locations were beyond its purview to relevant departments/stakeholders and offer professional advice.
- They suggested that FEHD review the effectiveness of anti-rodent and anti-mosquito publicity activities and distribute souvenirs that were relevant to such themes.
- They suggested that FEHD provide more litter bins in the vicinity of Po Yap Road and Tong Chun Street (especially near Bauhinia Garden and Beverly Garden) to avoid the infestation of rodents or mosquitoes caused by overflowing litter bins.
- They suggested that DLO/SK, upon consultation with relevant stakeholders, lease out vacant government sites in the district for agricultural or botanical use. Besides, DLO/SK should consider allocating additional resources for carrying out weed removal, mosquito control and ground paving works on vacant sites to prevent mosquito breeding.
- They suggested that LCSD study the feasibility of planting mosquito-repelling plants or flowers.

42. Mr CHOW Kin-keung, Administrative Assistant/Lands, DLO/SK said the Lands Department would update the information concerning vacant government sites on its webpage from time to time, which was available to the public and non-governmental organisations for general reference, and for applying for short-term tenancies for non-commercial use. Besides, DLO/SK had been carrying out regular anti-mosquito work on the vacant government sites under its purview, such as cutting grass and spraying larvicidal oil. DLO/SK would step up relevant work when necessary.

43. Mr HO Yiu-ming, Chief Health Inspector (Sai Kung) 2, FEHD noted Members' views. FEHD would tackle the infestation of rodents and mosquitoes/biting midges together with relevant departments and stakeholders, or offer professional advice.

Concerning publicity and promotional activities, FEHD would prepare promotional leaflets on pest control, which would be enclosed with the souvenirs. Promotional banners and easy-mount frames would also be displayed. Moreover, FEHD had promoted anti-mosquito and anti-rodent messages through MTR advertisements and the media. Currently, FEHD was studying with SKDO the possibility of organising educational talks at community halls or using publicity vans to disseminate relevant information to the public. Members were welcome to directly follow up with FEHD if they received reports on the infestation of rodents and mosquitoes/biting midges.

44. Mr Aaron CHAN, Deputy District Leisure Manager (Sai Kung) 2, LCSD said factors such as climate and effectiveness would have to be taken into consideration for the planting of mosquito-repelling plants or flowers. LCSD would study the feasibility of the suggestions.

45. The Chairman said the prevention of rodents and mosquitoes required concerted efforts from all stakeholders. If Members were aware of any rodent and mosquito infestation black spots, they were suggested to contact the representatives of FEHD present at the meeting directly for follow-up. Members were also invited to actively participate in FEHD's anti-rodent and anti-mosquito publicity activities to be held on 26 March and 2 April 2024.

46. The Chairman asked whether Members would like to raise any other business.

47. Members said recently some residents sought help as they found bedbugs in their public housing units. Members asked whether HD could help residents eliminate bedbugs, and whether FEHD could offer technical support to prevent the spread of bedbugs.

48. Mr Wilson CHAN, Property Service Manager/Service (Kowloon West & Sai Kung) 5, HD said HD would render assistance to residents based on the circumstances. Meanwhile, residents could contact the respective housing estate offices. HD would communicate with Members to obtain more information concerning the affected residents after the meeting.

49. Mr HO Yiu-ming, Chief Health Inspector (Sai Kung) 2, FEHD said the prevention and control of bedbugs were not the focus of FEHD's pest control work. Nevertheless, FEHD could offer professional advice when necessary.

50. Members said they had reported an issue on 5 June 2023 that someone had placed food offerings for religious rituals in the public areas of Tak Chak House of Hau Tak Estate, which attracted rodents and pigeons. However, the issue was still not completely resolved. Therefore, Members hoped that FEHD and DLO/SK would collaborate to follow up the matter.

51. Mr CHOW Kin-keung, Administrative Assistant/Lands, DLO/SK said during

street management joint operations, DLO/SK would deal with unmovable structures/objects that were occupying unleased government land unlawfully for a prolonged period of time. Statutory notices would be affixed as appropriate.

52. The Chairman suggested that Members raise motions at the next FEHC meeting for further discussion, since DLO/SK and FEHD did not have the relevant information at hand.

53. Ms HO Sau-ying, Chief Health Inspector (Sai Kung) 1, FEHD said FEHD could speak with Members to obtain more information for follow-up after the meeting.

54. The Chairman said the day of the meeting was the last working day for Ms HO Sau-ying, Chief Health Inspector (Sai Kung) 1, at the Sai Kung District Environmental Hygiene Office. He would like to thank Ms HO for working closely with the Sai Kung District Council all along to improve the district's environmental hygiene. He wished Ms HO all the best in her new capacity.

VI. Date of Next Meeting

55. The Chairman said the next meeting was scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on 16 May 2024 (Thursday).

56. The meeting ended at 12:09 p.m.

Sai Kung District Council Secretariat
April 2024