

Sai Kung District Council
Progress Report of Sai Kung District Management Committee

The Sai Kung District Management Committee (SKDMC) held a meeting on 27 March 2024. The major issues discussed at the meeting were summarised as follows:

District-led Actions Scheme

2. SKDMC endorsed the 2023-24 work report and 2024-25 work plan of the District-led Actions Scheme (DAS). The four projects from last year's DAS would continue to be included in the 2024-25 DAS, namely (i) tackling street management problems – illegal shop front extensions and obstruction of public places; (ii) tackling illegal occupation of public roads to carry out recycling activities; (iii) clearance operations against indiscriminately parked bicycles; and (iv) enhancing mosquito control. SKDMC would coordinate the efforts of relevant departments in implementing the above projects.

Management of the Eastern Channel in Tseung Kwan O

3. SKDMC discussed problems associated with the management of the Eastern Channel. It was noted that in a recent incident, a berthed yacht off Tseung Kwan O Waterfront Park had caught fire which soon spread to another neighbouring yacht at the early hours, and the nearby housing estates were also affected by the thick smoke emitted. Even though the Fire Services Department responded swiftly to put out the fire and the incident caused no injuries, SKDMC hoped to further understand and improve the management of the Eastern Channel through the meeting.

4. All relevant departments reported on the updated situation and the law enforcement approaches in this regard. Among them, the Marine Department (MD) stated that the waters concerned were a sheltered anchorage, where vessels could be berthed in areas that suited their daily operational needs, and so far it had been observed that most vessels were berthed in an orderly manner. Moreover, MD had laid marker buoys to indicate the relevant waterways to ensure safe navigation. MD would continue to step up patrols and follow up on any violation of marine legislation in accordance with the procedures. In respect of illegal hawking at the Eastern Channel, the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) and MD would also take appropriate actions in the light of actual situations.

Other district management issues

5. In addition, SKDMC also discussed the occupation problem of Chun Cheong Street Car Park and suggested that the Police and FEHD explore the feasibility of strengthening law enforcement under the existing legislation and their purview as far as practicable. For the obstruction caused by pitched tents, inter-departmental site inspections to Tui Min Hoi in Sai Kung before the rainy season and unauthorised vehicle parking in the district, etc., the relevant departments expressed their concerns over the above issues and reported on the follow-up actions taken in their respective scope of work during the meeting. SKDMC would keep on following up the situation with a view to coordinating district management work with various departments for continuous improvement of the district environment.

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