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Minutes of the 5th Meeting of the Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee of
Sham Shui Po District Council (7th Term)

Date: 26 September 2024 (Thursday)

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Venue: Conference Room, Sham Shui Po District Council

Present

Chairman

Dr WONG Chung-leung, JP

Vice-Chairman

Mr LEE Wing-man, MH

Members

Mr LAM Ka-fai, Aaron, BBS, JP

Mr LAM Wai-man, Raymond

Ms KWOK Yin-lai, MH

Mr CHAN Wai-ming, BBS, MH, JP

Mr CHAN Lung-kit

Ms CHUM Pik-wa

Mr WONG Chun-hung, Hanson

Ms LAU Pui-yuk, MH

Mr LO Chi-chiu

In Attendance

Miss LAI Ho-ting, Ally

Miss CHIN Wai-sheung, Doris

Ms LAM Pui-ling

Miss CHAN Chi, Alice

Ms CHAN Pik-mei, Meimei

Ms CHAN Siu-kuen, Catalina

Assistant District Officer (Sham Shui Po) 1

Senior Liaison Officer 1, Sham Shui Po District Office

Deputy District Leisure Manager (Sham Shui Po) District
Support, Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Senior Manager (Kowloon West), Leisure and Cultural
Services Department

Manager (Kowloon West) Marketing, Programme & District
Activities, Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Senior Librarian (Sham Shui Po), Leisure and Cultural
Services Department

Action by

Mr YEUNG Tsz-hin	Senior School Development Officer (Sham Shui Po) 1, Education Bureau
Miss CHOW Mei-yee	Assistant District Social Welfare Officer (Sham Shui Po) 2, Social Welfare Department

Secretary

Miss CHEUNG Sau-hung, Sharen	Assistant Executive Officer (District Council) 2, Sham Shui Po District Office
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Absent with Apologies

Co-opted Member

Ms LEUNG Wun-kam, Reginia

Opening Remarks

The Chairman welcomed members and representatives of government departments to the fifth meeting of the Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee (“CICRC”) of the seventh term of the Sham Shui Po District Council (“SSPDC”).

2. The Secretariat received a Notification of Absence from Meetings from co-opted member Ms Regina LEUNG prior to the meeting because she had to attend the “Celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the Founding of the People’s Republic of China: National Day and Professional Exchange Delegation from Hong Kong Education Sector”. According to Section 64(4) of the Sham Shui Po District Council Standing Orders, the Committee approved the application for leave submitted by Ms Regina LEUNG.

Item 1: Confirmation of Minutes of the 4th Meeting of the Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee

3. The Committee confirmed the above meeting minutes without amendment.

Item 2: Suggestion that District Council and Schools should Strengthen Cooperation to Promote Community Development (CICRC Paper No. 13/2024)

4. Members introduced Paper No. 13/2024.

5. Mr YEUNG Tsz-hin responded that there were currently a School Liaison Committee (with representatives from principals of secondary schools, primary schools and kindergartens), associations for the principals of primary schools and kindergartens in Sham Shui Po District. If Members wished to encourage schools to participate in activities organised or coordinated by CICRC, they could contact individual schools by themselves or forwarded relevant activity information to schools via the Sham Shui Po District School Development Section.

6. The views of members were consolidated as follows: (i) indicated that schools served as a good platform for interacting with and understanding young people, where patriotic education, life planning education and the promotion of integration into the Greater Bay Area could be implemented. Therefore, promoting youth development required support from schools and the Education Bureau (“EDB”); (ii) enquired whether EDB would assist in forwarding activity information of the community and care teams to schools and suggested integrating various information-sharing platforms to avoid information

redundancy; (iii) SSPDC was currently implementing many activities and programmes, for example, in-depth tours, hoping to promote youth involvement via schools; (iv) enquired whether it was possible to contact the schools of the district via EDB to borrow venues for community activities; (v) hoped that students could broaden their horizons and learn about community development and public policy by participating in community affairs, thereby enhancing their awareness of caring for the community and understanding the needs of the public; (vi) hoped to use information-sharing platforms to strengthen the connection between the community and students, so as to further understand the needs of students; (vii) suggested implementing a student community ambassador scheme to increase students' social exposure and improve their social skills. Besides, a mock District Council election could be held to help students understand the process of elections; (viii) hoped that EDB would set a list of priorities regarding the suggestions listed in the paper, first establishing a mechanism for relevant stakeholders to exchange views, and then gradually carrying out concrete work, such as discussing the division of work among DC Members, arranging them to contact designated schools, enhancing interactions between DC Members and schools and building relationships; and (ix) if unexpected incidents occurred in schools, including maintenance issues, student emotional problems, complaints, etc., assistance from DC Members might be needed. Therefore, the solution of pairing schools with DC Members could be explored and considered. It was hoped that the two parties would establish a good relationship through regular communication, which would facilitate cooperation.

7. Mr YEUNG Tsz-hin gave a consolidated response: (i) if Members needed assistance in forwarding information about relevant activities or intended to borrow school venues to organise or hold activities, they could coordinate with schools via the Section; and (ii) the Section had meetings with the principals of secondary and primary schools in the district annually from October to November. Therefore, the Section could arrange for Members to participate in these meetings to introduce local activities and communicate with the principals of the district.

8. The Chairman concluded that members agreed to promote and implement relevant opinions within the community. If relevant activities could incorporate the learning elements of school curriculum, more schools would be drawn in for collaboration and involvement. However, the established half-year or annual plans of schools needed to be taken into consideration. It was hoped that EDB and the Committee would continue to explore ways to strengthen cooperation between schools and SSPDC.

Item 3(a): Recreation and Sports Programmes Organised by the Sham Shui Po District Leisure Services Office of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department

9. Ms LAM Pui-ling introduced the major activities and competitions organised by the Sham Shui Po District Leisure Services Office in October and November, including the Sham Shui Po District Age Group Swimming Competitions for Celebrating the 75th Anniversary of the Founding of the People's Republic of China, the Kowloon Region Age Group Squash Competition, the Sham Shui Po District Age Group Athletic Meet, and the Sham Shui Po District Community Planting Day. She welcomed members to attend and participate in these activities.

10. The views of members were consolidated as follows: (i) hope that the Department would later provide details of the activities mentioned above and introduced key competitions and activities for greater involvement of members; and (ii) enquired whether the Department had organised any activity related to the recently concluded Paralympic Games.

11. Ms LAM Pui-ling gave a consolidated response: (i) regarding the details of the activities mentioned above, members could refer to the Department's webpage or contact her directly for information; (ii) activities were generally opened for registration one month in advance, while competitions allowed registrations two months beforehand. If necessary, the Department would arrange to mail relevant posters for members' reference and assistance in promotion before the registration dates; and (iii) the Department had been promoting and organising recreational activities for individuals with disabilities, including various types of sports training classes and fun days, and had introduced new activities related to the Paralympic Games, for example, boccia training courses, to help more individuals with disabilities become acquainted with and participate in these recreational activities.

12. The Chairman concluded that the Committee noted the content of the activities.

Item 3(b): Report on District Arts and Cultural Programmes in 2024/25 of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department

13. Miss Alice CHAN introduced 16 community arts and cultural programmes that were / would be held in Sham Shui Po District from July 2024 to January 2025. These included a music event organised by the Music Office, six programmes under the "18dART" Community Arts Scheme launched by the Community Programmes Office, and nine programmes under the "Community Cultural Ambassador Scheme" launched by the Audience Building Office.

14. The Chairman concluded that the Committee noted the content of the programmes.

Item 3(c): Extension Activities in Sham Shui Po District Public Libraries of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department

15. Ms Catalina CHAN introduced the reading promotional activities held in Sham Shui Po in October and November, which included “Glorious Voyage: Splendid Achievements of the People’s Republic of China in Its 75 Years” Exhibition Series, Photo Taking with “Giant Panda”, Deep Love for the Community: Capture the Essence of Sham Shui, 3D Sham Shui Po 360, Street Walker @Sham Shui Po Subject Talk Series, Care Food Around You - “Joyful to Eat” Care Food Subject Talk Series cum Exhibitions, “Meet-the-Authors” series, Heritage Fiesta cum Roving Exhibition 2024 and 4·23 World Book Day Creative Competition 2024 Exhibition.

16. The Chairman concluded that the Committee noted the content of the activities.

Item 4: Any Other Business

17. The Chairman said that (i) to encourage active participation in the “Chill-out Programme Series”, members were divided into four groups, each responsible for activities on different themes; and (ii) the Committee agreed to apply for funding from the Sham Shui Po District Office to produce and distribute 2025 calendars, diaries and Lunar New Year souvenirs to the public and incorporate community elements into the project. By doing so, residents in the district could experience the festive atmosphere and this act would also help promote SSPDC, thus strengthening residents’ sense of belonging to Sham Shui Po District.

Item 5: Date of Next Meeting

18. The next meeting would be held at 9:30 a.m. on 28 November 2024 (Thursday).

19. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 10:19 a.m.

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