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Minutes of the 14th Meeting of Sham Shui Po District Council (7th Term)
of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

Date : 10 March 2026 (Tuesday)

Time : 9:30 a.m.

Venue : Conference Room, Sham Shui Po District Council

Present

Chairman

Mr WONG Ho-yu, Oscar, JP

Members

Mr HO Kwan-chau

Ms WU Wanqiu

Mr LEE Wing-man, MH

Mr LAM Ka-fai, Aaron, BBS, JP

Mr LAM Wai-man, Raymond

Ms WU Sze-wan

Mr CHEUNG Tak-wai

Mr LEUNG Ping-kin

Ms KWOK Yin-lai, MH

Mr CHAN Wai-ming, BBS, MH, JP

Mr CHAN Kwok-wai, MH

Mr CHAN Lung-kit

Ms CHEN Lihong

Ms CHUM Pik-wa

Mr WONG Chun-hung, Hanson

Dr WONG Chung-leung, MH, JP

Ms LAU Pui-yuk, MH

Ms CHUNG Ching-may, MH

Mr LO Chi-chiu

Dr PONG Chiu-fai, MH

In Attendance

Miss CHAN Lok-tung, Agnes	Assistant District Officer (Sham Shui Po) 1
Miss WONG Yi-sze, Stella	Assistant District Officer (Sham Shui Po) 2
Ms YAN Yuet-han, Fion	Senior Liaison Officer 1, Sham Shui Po District Office
Ms YUEN Pui-yuk, Quinnie	Senior Liaison Officer 2, Sham Shui Po District Office
Ms WONG Yu-hang, Anita	Senior Liaison Officer 3, Sham Shui Po District Office
Mr KWONG Ka-kuen	Senior Liaison Officer 4, Sham Shui Po District Office
Mr LUK Hon-kit	Police Community Relations Officer (Sham Shui Po District), Hong Kong Police Force
Ms MAK Siu-ling, Iris	Chief Manager/Management (Kowloon West and Sai Kung), Housing Department
Mr CHAN Chi-man, Chapman	Chief Transport Officer/Kowloon 1, Transport Department
Ms HO Po-chu	District Leisure Manager (Sham Shui Po), Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Ms LAM Pui-ling	Deputy District Leisure Manager (Sham Shui Po) District Support, Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Mr WONG Wai-nang	District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Sham Shui Po), Food and Environmental Hygiene Department
Mr CHAU Chun-yin	Chief Health Inspector (Sham Shui Po) 3, Food and Environmental Hygiene Department
Mr CHOI Chung-keung	Senior Engineer (South and Sustainable Lantau), Civil Engineering and Development Department
Mr LEE Siu-hei, Victor	Chief School Development Officer (Sham Shui Po), Education Bureau
Miss CHOW Mei-yee	Assistant District Social Welfare Officer (Sham Shui Po) 2, Social Welfare Department

Secretary

Mr LAM Ka-yeung, Neil	Senior Executive Officer (District Council), Sham Shui Po District Office
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Opening Remarks

The Chairman welcomed Members and representatives from government departments to the 14th meeting of the 7th term Sham Shui Po District Council (“SSPDC”).

Item 1: Confirmation of Minutes of the 13th Meeting of the 7th Term Sham Shui Po District Council

2. The minutes of the 13th meeting were confirmed without amendment.

Item 2a: Sham Shui Po District Office Action Plan 2026-27 (SSPDC Paper No. 13/2026)

3. The Chairman presented Paper No. 13/2026.
4. Mr CHAN Wai-ming raised the following: (i) suggested that the Sham Shui Po District Office (“SSPDO”) should consolidate past experiences in handling emergencies and establish a comprehensive mechanism, further strengthening co-ordination among the District Council (“DC”), the “Three Committees”, the Care Teams, government departments, and local stakeholders to enhance the sense of security and well-being of local residents; and (ii) suggested establishing district highlights through collaboration among the Government, the business sector and the community during major festivals to enhance residents’ sense of community belonging and national identity, as well as to attract visitors.
5. Ms LAU Pui-yuk raised the following: (i) suggested expanding the outreach of the Counselling and Wellness Support Services to further support the street sleepers in the district; (ii) suggested strengthening SSPDO’s collaboration with the Fire Services Department (“FSD”) to reduce fire risks in target buildings in the district through the Annual Inspection Support Services for Fire Service Installations and Equipment in Buildings under the Action Plan; and (iii) suggested arranging additional training for members of owners’ corporations (“OCs”) and DC Members to deepen their understanding of the Building Management Ordinance and its enforcement by relevant departments.
6. Ms WU Sze-wan raised the following: (i) suggested expanding the support of the Counselling and Wellness Support Services to others in need, in addition to street sleepers; and (ii) raised concerns and enquiries about whether the design of Youth Link • Nam Cheong stayed attuned to the trends and interests of young people today.

7. The Chairman gave a consolidated response: (i) the SSPDO was committed to co-ordinating inter-departmental communication and resource allocation when handling emergencies, ensuring pre-incident preparedness, in-incident response, and post-incident review; (ii) suggestions from Members and local groups on festive events in the district were welcome, and the SSPDO would provide co-ordination and support; (iii) the Counselling and Wellness Support Services covered the entire district and were not limited to specific locations. Members were encouraged to refer cases; (iv) various channels and methods had been adopted by the SSPDO to deal with the issue of street sleepers in the district, with a view to minimising the impact on residents and the community environment. These efforts had yielded positive results and would continue. Taking Tung Chau Street Park as an example, the number of street sleepers had decreased from about 90 to 60, with some having been assisted in moving into long-term housing; (v) target buildings were selected in phases under the Annual Inspection Support Services for Fire Service Installations and Equipment in Buildings, with a new batch of buildings undergoing inspection each year; (vi) the SSPDO would continue to strengthen building management training for OCs, Members, and internal teams to keep them abreast of the latest information, and would work closely with the Neighbour Care Buildings Support Center newly established by local groups to enhance the efficacy of district governance; (vii) Youth Link • Nam Cheong would be commissioned in three phases. The soft opening of the first-phase facilities commenced in December 2025. A site visit would be arranged when the second-phase facilities came into operation; (viii) an open and diverse concept was adopted for the shared spaces in the first two phases of Youth Link • Nam Cheong, while the third-phase facilities located at the Tung Chau Street Temporary Market might include multi-purpose venues for emerging sports; (ix) the SSPDO would work closely with youth organisations such as the operating organisation of Youth Link • Nam Cheong to create synergy and further expand the Youth Link; and (x) the HKYouth+ mobile application served as a one-stop platform for disseminating information on youth development and youth activities, and Members were encouraged to assist in its promotion.

8. Mr CHAN Lung-kit raised the following: (i) opined that higher expectations were placed on the work of DCs, District Offices, and relevant government departments due to the enhanced fire safety awareness of property owners; (ii) suggested proactively reaching out with appropriate assistance to owners of buildings in the district facing delayed works that might pose potential safety hazards; (iii) suggested strengthening promotional efforts to enhance fire safety awareness and arranging relevant training for property owners, OCs and building management organisations; (iv) suggested establishing a co-ordination mechanism among the SSPDO, DC Members and the Care Teams to provide immediate and appropriate support in emergencies, given that the recent incidents in the district revealed a lack of experience in emergency response

among owners of buildings without property management; and (v) relayed enquiries from a number of property owners about the implementation timeline and progress of the Pilot Scheme on Joint Property Management (“JPM Pilot Scheme”), as well as their expectation of streamlined administrative procedures.

9. Ms CHUNG Ching-may raised the following regarding the JPM Pilot Scheme: (i) enquired about the progress and the current number of buildings that had signed letters of intent; (ii) expressed the hope of inviting service providers to share their experiences in due course; and (iii) suggested proactively reaching out to buildings with defunct OCs, offering support for owners to reactivate OC operations, thereby enabling them to benefit from the JPM Pilot Scheme.

10. The Chairman gave a consolidated response: (i) the SSPDO would work with the FSD and the “Three Committees” to strengthen fire safety promotion and publicity in the district, with a view to enhancing residents’ awareness and emergency responsiveness; (ii) the existing emergency response mechanism was effective and flexible. The SSPDO would adjust its strategies according to the circumstances of each incident to provide corresponding support, and would also draw on past experiences and conduct reviews in a timely manner; (iii) the JPM Pilot Scheme had received support from 20 target buildings in the district, of which over 10 had signed letters of intent, with 3 having progressed to engaging property management companies to commence services. The SSPDO would proactively facilitate the participation of more target buildings and maintain close contact with the service providers; (iv) the newly established Neighbour Care Buildings Support Center in the district served as a co-ordination platform for building management, providing additional support to residents and assisting buildings with management and maintenance; (v) hoped that the JPM Pilot Scheme would offer a prime opportunity to assist in the reactivation of defunct OCs; and (vi) the Buildings Department would provide an updated list of existing scaffolding works for buildings on a regular basis, and the SSPDO would disseminate the information in a timely manner to DC Members and relevant departments for follow-up.

11. Ms KWOK Yin-lai raised the following: (i) noted the recent improvement in the situation regarding the occupation issue at the pedestrian passage under the Mei Foo Flyover, and suggested conducting regular reviews on the effectiveness of the existing measures; and (ii) suggested cross-departmental co-operation to strengthen district cleansing and pest control operations through artificial intelligence or other information technologies, with a view to further enhancing community environmental hygiene.

12. The Chairman concluded as follows: (i) the trial improvement project at the pedestrian passage under the Mei Foo Flyover had proved effective, and the situation would be continuously monitored with timely follow-ups; (ii) relevant departments noted the suggestion of leveraging technology to enhance law enforcement effectiveness in environmental hygiene, and would continue to collaborate to maintain the same; and (iii) the SSPDO welcomed opinions and suggestions from all sectors on its work, and would continue to collaborate with DC Members, the “Three Committees”, local organisations, and government departments to build a better community.

Item 2b: Social Welfare Department - District Annual Work Plan for Sham Shui Po in 2026-28 by Sham Shui Po District Social Welfare Office (SSPDC Paper No. 14/2026)

13. Miss CHOW Mei-yee presented Paper No. 14/2026.

14. Mr LEE Wing-man raised the following: hoped that the Department would strengthen the support services for ethnic minority youth.

15. Mr CHEUNG Tak-wai raised the following: having received various mental health-related requests for help from residents, hoped that the Department would strengthen co-ordination with other government departments, so as to proactively intervene and provide more appropriate support to those in need.

16. Mr LEUNG Ping-kin raised the following: (i) suggested strengthening publicity and related support services for the Support for Carers Project, and further publicising the project among property management practitioners, enabling them to access information on welfare services within the district and provide appropriate support or referrals to those in need as early as possible; (ii) suggested enhancing publicity of information about retiring on the Mainland for the elderly in the district; (iii) commended the community living rooms within the district for their effective support to disadvantaged families and their strong community connections, and suggested that the Department should establish a more comprehensive mechanism for case follow-up and referral so as to ensure service sustainability; (iv) suggested incorporating elements of ethnic minorities into various regular services and activities to promote community integration; and (v) hoped that the Department would step up publicity efforts for the Mandatory Reporting of Child Abuse Ordinance.

17. Miss CHOW Mei-yee gave a consolidated response: (i) the Department would strengthen collaboration between the outreaching team for ethnic minorities and other service units including the Integrated Children and Youth Services Centres, so as to

provide support services more effectively; (ii) when cases in need of mental health-related assistance were identified, the Integrated Family Service Centres would conduct assessment with the Integrated Community Centres for Mental Wellness based on the circumstances of each case, and provide timely intervention as well as support; (iii) the Department would continue to enhance the services provided by carer collaborative platforms and community living rooms; and (iv) the Department would continue to invite ethnic minority service units to participate in the joint programmes organised by community collaborative platforms, in a bid to enhance public awareness of their services and promote social integration.

18. Mr Hanson WONG raised the following: (i) suggested extending the scope of the Community Care Service Voucher Scheme for the Elderly to include the purchase of gerontechnology-assistive devices; and (ii) suggested raising mental health awareness among working youths and enhancing support, as well as joining hands with public and private organisations to promote programmes on stress management in the workplace and establish a psychological support network with a lower threshold.

19. Dr PONG Chiu-fai raised the following: (i) suggested that the Support for Carers Project should collaborate with the Care Teams to facilitate identification of aged carers under poor health conditions through information sharing; (ii) suggested enhancing the function of community living rooms in supporting the subdivided unit (“SDU”) households and, in particular, serving their purposes as platforms, such as collecting enquiries and views on the Basic Housing Units Ordinance and relaying them to the relevant departments in a timely manner; and (iii) enquired whether a mechanism was in place for referrals of student cases between the Education Bureau and the Social Welfare Department (“SWD”), and proposed that the relevant departments should adopt an approach that fitted in with the communication habits of youths in providing them with more effective mental health support.

20. Miss CHOW Mei-yee gave a consolidated response: (i) noted the suggestion regarding the scope of the Community Care Service Voucher Scheme for the Elderly; (ii) the Department would establish a new community collaborative platform with youth service units within the district, with a view to focusing on mental wellness of youths and enhancing the relevant education and promotion work; and (iii) as for the suggestions regarding the Support for Carers Project and the community living rooms, the Department would strengthen support to carers and SDU households on different levels via collaboration platforms of district activities and through the planning for such activities.

21. The Chairman concluded as follows: (i) extended thanks to the SWD for having implemented various welfare programmes in the district over the past year, and expected that the SWD would continue to maintain close co-operation with the SSPDO, the DC, the Care Teams and the stakeholders within the district in organising social welfare support programmes and activities that were suitable for different types of people in need, thereby building a caring community; and (ii) the SSPDO would strengthen communication with the SWD and other departments, so as to jointly address the problem, among others, of street sleepers within the district.

Item 2c: Civil Engineering and Development Department - District Plan for Sham Shui Po in 2026/2027 (SSPDC Paper No. 15/2026)

22. Mr CHOI Chung-keung presented Paper No. 15/2026.

23. Mr CHAN Kwok-wai raised the following: in support of the third project set out in the paper, there were minibus stops and pedestrian crossing facilities on Nam Cheong Street being cordoned off. The Department was advised to maintain close communication with the Housing Department and inspect the cordoned-off area in a timely manner, thereby minimising the impact of the project on the daily commute of local residents.

24. Mr Aaron LAM raised the following: (i) suggested that the Department should install solar panels on the walkway cover at Sham Mong Road/Hoi Lai Street to enhance the efficiency in using green energy; (ii) enquired whether the flooding problem caused by inclement weather had been solved upon the completion of landslip prevention and mitigation works on the slope at the rear of the Lei Cheng Uk Swimming Pool; and (iii) enquired about the number and location of private slopes in the district that warranted landslip prevention and mitigation works.

25. Ms WU Wanqiu raised the following with regard to the walkway cover project at Sham Mong Road/Hoi Lai Street: (i) suggested widening the pedestrian walkway in the work site, and (ii) suggested that the construction works should be arranged during summer holidays, so as to minimise the impact on the schools nearby.

26. Mr CHOI Chung-keung gave a consolidated response: (i) would relay to the project team the inconvenience caused by the cordoned-off minibus stops and pedestrian crossing facilities, and would communicate and co-ordinate with relevant departments on the issue; (ii) the Department noted the suggestion of installing solar panels on the walkway cover, but was not considering adopting it for the walkway at Sham Mong Road/Hoi Lai Street currently; (iii) the Department would report the

flooding problem at the Lei Cheng Uk Swimming Pool to the Geotechnical Engineering Office and the Drainage Services Department and explore improvement proposals; (iv) the number and location of private slopes in the district that warranted landslip prevention and mitigation works would be supplemented after the meeting; (v) the Department would review the width of the walkway at the Sham Mong Road/Hoi Lai Street work site and make appropriate adjustment; and (vi) the Department would discuss with the contractor and arrange for the walkway cover works to be carried out during summer holidays as far as practicable.

[Post-meeting note: On 8 April 2026, the Civil Engineering and Development Department (“CEDD”) provided supplementary information on the number and location of private slopes in the district that warranted landslip prevention and mitigation works. On 21 April 2026, the Secretariat forwarded the information to Members for reference.]

27. The Chairman concluded as follows: (i) expressed gratitude to the CEDD for the planning and commencement of various projects over the past year; and (ii) expected that the Department would maintain close liaison with the DC and continue to enhance the facilities within the district.

Item 3: Reports of Committees and Working Groups Directly under the SSPDC

- (a) District Facilities and Works Committee (SSPDC Paper No. 16/2026)
- (b) Food, Environment and Hygiene Committee (SSPDC Paper No. 17/2026)
- (c) Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee
(SSPDC Paper No. 18/2026)
- (d) Traffic and Transport Committee (SSPDC Paper No. 19/2026)
- (e) Housing, Planning and Social Welfare Committee (SSPDC Paper No. 20/2026)
- (f) Youth, Community Development and Innovation Committee
(SSPDC Paper No. 21/2026)
- (g) Working Group on Boosting Local Economy (SSPDC Paper No. 22/2026)
- (h) Working Group on Building Management (SSPDC Paper No. 23/2026)

28. The Council noted and endorsed the above reports.

Item 4: Any Other Business

29. The Chairman raised the following: (i) the unlawful occupation of government land on Woh Chai Shan was a long-standing issue in Sham Shui Po District for over a decade. The Sham Shui Po District Management Committee (“DMC”) had been

proactively following up on the matter, and planned to clear those structures and miscellaneous items in June 2022, but faced strong opposition from residents; (ii) the previous-term DC discussed the issue at a meeting in June 2022, where government departments confirmed the unlawful nature of those structures. However, DC Members at the time held different views on whether to dispose of the structures. Some of the DC Members also suggested providing recreational and sports facilities and replanning the Woh Chai Shan area; (iii) against this background, previous clearance operations by government departments did not proceed smoothly; (iv) the government departments thereafter maintained continuous monitoring and took land control actions, conducting risk assessments on issues such as slope safety particularly ahead of adverse weather; (v) the Lands Department (“LandsD”) earlier conducted multiple clearance operations: the removal of a bronze statue on Woh Chai Shan from 9 to 10 February 2026, the documentation and photography of the surroundings of the Tong Yam Street Hillside Sitting-out Area for filing purposes on 4 March 2026, and the posting of notices requiring the two illegal structures on the hillside of Woh Chai Shan to be cleared by the occupants by 19 March 2026. The LandsD tentatively scheduled another joint clearance operation for 19 March 2026; (vi) since the end of last year, there had been growing public calls for the Government to deal with the Woh Chai Shan issue in accordance with the law; (vii) the Government should send a clear message to the public, stating its stance against illegal and non-compliant acts; (viii) the District Officer (Sham Shui Po) stated at the DMC meeting on 5 March 2026 the need for ongoing resolute and strict enforcement, and received unanimous support from the departments. The DMC would formulate a comprehensive action plan framework, covering the review and recording of the latest occupation status, risk assessment, clearance planning, and the division of responsibilities among departments; and (ix) Members’ support and views were sought on the above situation and planning.

[Post-meeting note: The SSPDO co-ordinated joint clearance operations with the LandsD, the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department, and the Hong Kong Police Force from 19 to 21 March and on 9 April and 29 April, successfully removing several structures. The relevant departments would continue to conduct joint operations and enforce the law strictly to tackle the Woh Chai Shan issue.]

30. Mr CHAN Wai-ming stated the following: (i) expressed support for law-based governance; (ii) opined that DC Members should support government departments to effectively explain the matter to residents; and (iii) suggested that departments should embrace a combination of soft and hard approaches during enforcement, while strengthening risk assessment and safety control.

31. Mr CHAN Kwok-wai stated the following: (i) expressed recognition of the Government's previous and proposed enforcement actions; (ii) suggested setting priorities to clear the illegal structures in phases; and (iii) suggested that the Leisure and Cultural Services Department should explore the provision of recreational and sports facilities on Woh Chai Shan.

32. Mr Aaron LAM stated the following: (i) suggested planning community trails connecting to the heritage site of the Ex-Sham Shui Po Service Reservoir as well as providing facilities such as table tennis equipment and pickleball courts; (ii) suggested setting up monitoring systems and wire fencing to prevent land occupation and ensure public safety; and (iii) suggested exploring the feasibility of planning alternatives, such as recreation and housing, in the long term.

33. Mr LEE Wing-man stated the following: (i) expressed support for the Chairman's planning for comprehensive enforcement; and (ii) suggested building hillside escalators or cable car systems to attract visitors for long-term tourism development.

34. The Chairman responded as follows: (i) shared Members' views on taking an orderly, resolute and phased approach, and would incorporate it into the action plan framework as appropriate; (ii) Members were encouraged to continue explaining the arrangements to the public and collecting their feedback in order to ensure effective communication between the Government and the public, and the SSPDO would include the opinions in the action plan framework as appropriate; and (iii) further study would be conducted with relevant departments on the planning and development direction of Woh Chai Shan.

35. Mr Raymond LAM stated the following: (i) expressed support for resolute enforcement, the protection of public safety, and the formulation of the action plan framework; and (ii) suggested aligning the tourism development direction of Woh Chai Shan with the Urban Renewal Authority's theme of Twin Hill Green and Historic Spine.

36. Mr LEUNG Ping-kin stated the following: (i) expressed support for orderly enforcement; (ii) suggested updating Members on the enforcement progress in a timely manner and strengthening publicity to keep the public informed; (iii) suggested implementing the infrastructure improvement project on Woh Chai Shan and expediting the completion of reinforcement and safety measures; and (iv) suggested providing temporary recreational and sports facilities.

37. Mr CHAN Lung-kit stated the following: (i) expressed support for orderly enforcement, and commended that the operations were carried out in a reasonable and compassionate manner; (ii) suggested strengthening cross-departmental collaboration to address safety hazards such as adverse weather conditions and landslides; and (iii) opined that the views of different stakeholders should be taken into account during planning.

38. The Chairman responded as follows: (i) Members' views on short, medium, and long-term planning were noted; (ii) in the short to medium term, upon completion of the clearance operations, the SSPDO would explore the feasibility of providing recreational, sports, and hiking facilities through cross-departmental co-ordination; (iii) the DMC would join hands with various government departments to take forward the comprehensive action plan; and (iv) the SSPDO would maintain close contact with Members to provide timely updates on the work progress, and welcome their feedback for incorporation into the action plan framework as appropriate.

39. The Chairman concluded as follows: (i) thanked Members for their support and views; (ii) reiterated that the Government would deal with illegal activities strictly in accordance with the law, while the enforcement actions would be carried out in a reasonable and compassionate manner; (iii) would carefully formulate the comprehensive action plan framework, maintain close communication with all stakeholders, and provide Members with timely updates on the work progress; and (iv) Members were encouraged to share their views on the comprehensive action plan framework.

Item 5: Date of Next Meeting

40. The next meeting would be held at 9:30 a.m. on 5 May 2026 (Tuesday).

41. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 12:06 p.m.

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