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

Date : 7 January 2025 (Tuesday)
Time : 9:35 a.m.
Venue : Conference Room, Sham Shui Po District Council

Present

Chairman

Mr WONG Yan-yin, Paul, JP

Members

Mr HO Kwan-chau, Leo
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, JP
Ms LAU Pui-yuk, MH
Ms CHUNG Ching-may, MH
Mr LO Chi-chiu
Dr PONG Chiu-fai, MH

In Attendance

Miss LAI Ho-ting, Ally	Assistant District Officer (Sham Shui Po) 1
Miss CHIN Wai-sheung, Doris	Senior Liaison Officer 1, 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
Ms MOK Oi-him, Joyce	Police Community Relations Officer (Sham Shui Po Police 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
Mr WONG Man-wong	Chief Leisure Manager (Hong Kong East), Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Ms HO Po-chu	District Leisure Manager (Sham Shui Po), 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 YEUNG Chong-tak, Clarence	Chief Engineer/S1, Civil Engineering and Development Department
Mr SIT Siu-chi, Simon	Chief School Development Officer (Sham Shui Po), Education Bureau
Miss MA Tsui-yung	District Social Welfare Officer (Sham Shui Po), 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 7th meeting of the 7th term Sham Shui Po District Council (“SSPDC”).

Item 1: Confirmation of Minutes of the 6th Meeting of the 7th Term Sham Shui Po District Council

2. The minutes of the 6th meeting were confirmed without amendment.

Item 2: Working Group on Boosting Local Economy (SSPDC Paper No. 1/2025)

3. The Chairman stated the following: (i) the term of the Working Group on Boosting Local Economy (“WGBLE”) under the SSPDC was originally set to end on 31 December 2024. To support the follow-up work of SSPDC in the coming year, the term of the WGBLE would be extended by one year to 31 December 2025; (ii) the Secretariat issued letters on 17 December 2024 to invite District Council (“DC”) Members to join the WGBLE; (iii) the updated members list was at Annex II to Paper No. 1/2025 for reference; and (iv) it was announced that Mr Hanson WONG was appointed as the Chairman of the WGBLE.

Item 3: Annual District Plans 2025-26 by Core Departments of the SSPDC (Part 1)

(a) Home Affairs Department - Sham Shui Po District Office Action Plan 2025-26 (SSPDC Paper No. 2/2025)

4. The Chairman introduced Paper No. 2/2025 and added the following: (i) the reforms to the district governance system were an important initiative of reform and innovation by the Government. Under the new system, district governance work had been carried out with enhanced speed and efficiency in the past year. The SSPDC worked with the District Services and Community Care Teams, district organisations and groups to serve the people through systematic management and collaboration models, resulted in positive outcomes. The Government would continue to enhance the DC Members’ capabilities in discharging their duties and improve the efficacy of district governance to deliver tangible benefits for the people; and (ii) the Sham Shui Po District Office (“SSPDC”) was exploring the feasibility of incorporating tourist-attracting elements into the FarmFest next year with the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department (“AFCD”), hopefully to establish it as a key event for Sham

Shui Po District under the concept of “tourism is everywhere”. The work would be followed up by the WGBLE.

5. The Chairman invited the representative from the Housing Department (“HD”) to provide an overview of the “Let’s Go Well-being Chak On” Design Competition.

6. Ms Iris MAK provided an overview of the “Let’s Go Well-being Chak On” Design Competition (see the table below), and called on Members to encourage tertiary students and young designers to participate.

Objectives	- Using Chak On Estate as a pilot to promote and apply the Well-being Design Guide - Winning design proposal to serve as a reference for future estate improvement projects
Eligibility	- Students Category and Emerging Category - Individual and team entries welcome
Content	Innovative and thoughtful designs for the public space in Chak On Estate
Deadline	31 January 2025
Remarks	Online Briefing Session on 15 January 2025

7. The Chairman added the following: (i) the SSPDO had disseminated competition information to young designers, architects, the Hong Kong Design Centre and tertiary institutions, and further called on DC Members to encourage other eligible individuals to participate in the competition; and (ii) it was hoped that the competition would bring innovative public spaces to the residents of Chak On Estate, enhancing their sense of well-being.

8. The Chairman invited the representative from the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (“LCSD”) to give an overview of the Transformation of Public Play Space plan for Maple Street Playground.

9. Ms HO Po-chu stated the following: (i) the transformation plan aligned with the community-building policy to enhance residents’ sense of well-being; (ii) the Department attached importance to community participation and had already completed public consultations to gather opinions from various community members; (iii) the design incorporated the district characteristics of “maple trees” and “maple leaves”, highlighting the theme of “Maple Street” to enhance residents’ sense of

belonging and well-being; and (iv) the details of the plan would be introduced at the meeting of the District Facilities and Works Committee on 16 January.

10. Mr CHAN Wai-ming put forward the following views: (i) expressed gratitude to the SSPDC Chairman for his leadership in the successful implementation of various initiatives; (ii) looked forward to continuing the collaboration between the Government, the business sector, and the community to promote the development of in-depth tourism; (iii) suggested establishing a regular mechanism by the business or tourism sector to publicise and promote in-depth district tourism through various platforms and media; (iv) suggested that the government departments should explore the utilisation of smart community management and assist the elderly in adapting to new technologies; and (v) suggested including the emergencies jointly handled by DC Members and the SSPDO, such as typhoons and power outages in the district, in the SSPDO Action Plan for future reference.

11. Ms LAU Pui-yuk put forward the following views: (i) expressed gratitude to the SSPDC Chairman for his leadership in driving and implementing various initiatives for community development through four major directions; (ii) suggested more promotion and explanation in different forms when implementing community livelihood projects in order to gain greater effectiveness; (iii) suggested strengthening efforts to promote policies or disseminate community information, such as exploring how to smoothly implement more complex policies like the regulatory regime for Basic Housing Units (“BHU”); (iv) suggested greater collaboration with various stakeholders in organising in-depth tours to ensure more detailed and systematic arrangements; and (v) regarding community building, commended the creativity of the “chilling out event series” by the SSPDO in forming shared spaces within confined areas, and suggested incorporating more elements that reflected community characteristics in future related activities to attract more people from outside the district.

12. Mr LEUNG Ping-kin expressed the following views: (i) recognised the continued effort by the SSPDO in collaborating with various community groups over the past year to effectively promote the integration of ethnic minorities into the community, and hoped that the SSPDO would continue to organise various activities for them to enjoy a sense of well-being as well; (ii) stated that “Sammy” the Sham Shui Po mascot had been well-received by stakeholders and widely used in the beautification projects of public facilities in the district; (iii) suggested collaborating with organisations such as the DX Design Hub to incorporate “Sammy” into local projects in an innovative way to further promote the district image; (iv) enquired about the implementation of the BHU policy in the district, specifically the impact on the existing subdivided unit (“SDU”) residents after the first year of the registration system, such as

whether residents were required to vacate their original units and whether owners were required to renovate the SDUs to meet the BHU standards; (v) enquired about the role of the SSPDO in protecting tenant rights or supporting owners, including policy explanation and support mechanisms for BHU; and (vi) suggested that government departments should collaborate with various organisations and tertiary institutions to conduct screening regarding BHU in order to obtain the number of substandard housing units in the district.

13. The Chairman gave a consolidated response: (i) the issues of BHU and Joint Property Management were highly relevant to the district; (ii) one of the tasks of the SSPDO was to convey information about BHU to the public; (iii) hoped that more reference data could be collected through the subsequent distribution of air purifiers to SDU residents, allowing for a preliminary assessment of the implementation of BHU; (iv) agreed that the promotion of the effectiveness of air purifiers should be enhanced to increase participation, such as using electronic notice boards, and Members were encouraged to suggest other more creative promotional methods; (v) in line with the 15th National Games this year, “Sammy” at Lai Kok Shopping Centre would be given a new look, transforming into athletes to represent the eight sports events to be hosted by Hong Kong, and Members were welcome to suggest other design ideas for “Sammy”; (vi) under the reformed district governance, DC Members, Care Teams, and community groups had collaborated to handle a number of emergencies in the district, including storms, water outages, power outages and fires, providing assistance and services to people in need and creating synergy. He thanked all Members for their efforts and contributions, with some examples listed in the table below; (vii) in-depth district tour projects would continue, and hoped to collaborate with professional organisations or the tourism sector to launch tourism products; (viii) arrangements would be made for Members to participate in the “City Walk” Programme in Central and Sheung Wan, organised by the Urban Renewal Authority (“URA”) on 11 January, to serve as a reference for Members in the planning in-depth tour itineraries; and (ix) consideration would be given to presenting the achievements of the past year or the vision for future work in video form or through a systematic public relations record.

<u>Emergencies/Local Matters</u>	<u>Collaboration</u>
Power outage in buildings near Nam Cheong during typhoon	Mr LEE Wing-man and his team assisted in the post-incident support.
Water outage in Tai Hang Tung during Mid-Autumn Festival	Ms CHEN Lihong collaborated with the Care Team to provide post-incident support.
Water outage in Po On Road during summer holiday	Mr Leo HO assisted in distributing water to elderly residents.
Fire incident in Un Chau Estate	Mr CHAN Wai-ming and the Care Team assisted in disseminating information and providing care for residents requiring temporary evacuation.
Lift construction work at Nam Cheong MTR Station	Ms WU Sze-wan, Mr Leo HO, Mr Raymond LAM and others assisted in explaining the construction to the neighbourhood and conveying public opinions to the MTR Corporation Limited.

14. Mr CHAN Lung-kit expressed the following views: (i) supported the utilisation of technology and data analysis by SSPDO in formulating and implementing measures which aimed to enhance the quality of life for residents; (ii) suggested that the SSPDO should hold consultation sessions during the consultation period of the BHU regulatory regime to gather opinions from “the three committees” and professional organisations, and should also collect feedback and address enquiries from SDU tenants through various channels, such as Care Teams, district service teams and Members, for the purpose of smooth implementation of the BHU regulatory regime in the district; and (iii) as the mentors of national security at district level, Members should fulfil their responsibilities by actively promoting education on nationalism, national security, and history, such as organising seminars.

15. Ms CHEN Lihong expressed the following views: (i) enquired about the LCSD promotional plans for the eight national sports events to be held in Hong Kong in November this year; and (ii) suggested that the SSPDO should leverage the events that aimed at boosting local economy to help promote the National Games, in order to attract tourists to Sham Shui Po District.

16. Mr Hanson WONG expressed the following views: (i) commended the District Officer for the contributions to boosting the local economy through events; (ii) suggested organising different themed events simultaneously, such as a pet festival and

a seafood market at the same time in the Cheung Sha Wan Promenade, to enhance the event atmosphere and create synergy, attracting more visitors; (iii) suggested holding the coffee festival annually in the district, making it a signature event for Sham Shui Po; and (iv) suggested exploring collaboration opportunities with institutions such as the CHRYSALIS - HKBU Art Tech Incubation Hub and DX Design Hub to promote the characteristics and attractions of the district in various forms.

17. The Chairman gave a consolidated response: (i) promoting national education was a key task for Members. In light of the 80th anniversary of the victory in the War of Resistance, Members were encouraged to propose celebratory activities to support national education efforts; (ii) SSPDO would use the mascot “Sammy” to promote the National Games, and might display a countdown to the National Games on electronic notice boards for promotion; (iii) SSPDO would continue to explore various collaborative opportunities with the Hong Kong Baptist University and other institutions; (iv) suggested that the Working Group on Boosting Local Economy should explore the possibility of holding both the pet carnival and the coffee festival twice a year, with detailed planning regarding factors such as weather and location to achieve best outcomes; and (v) FARMFEST was a major project, and discussion about the feasibility of collaboration was underway between the SSPDO and relevant departments. Potential activity ideas included partnering with nearby hotels to design special menus using local ingredients to attract tourists.

18. Ms CHUNG Ching-may expressed the following views: (i) suggested that the SSPDO should consider collaborating with charitable organisations to introduce available products aimed at alleviating pain and aiding in post-stroke and post-surgery recovery for the elderly, so as to improve the quality of life for seniors; (ii) noted that a medical institution was interested in establishing a rehabilitation centre outside Hong Kong West. It was suggested that the SSPDO should contact that institution to discuss the possibility of setting up a rehabilitation centre in Sham Shui Po District; (iii) supported the collaboration with the City University of Hong Kong (“CityU”) on cerebrovascular health screening, and suggested that the SSPDO should work with existing medical institutions or groups to arrange for follow-up treatments for the elderly; and (iv) the Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences under CityU established a veterinary medical centre in Sham Shui Po, and it was suggested that the SSPDO should invite CityU to participate in pet festival events.

19. Mr LO Chi-chiu stated that the distribution of air purifiers mentioned in the SSPDC paper was a project in collaboration with the Federation of HK Guangxi Community Organisation Ltd (“HKGX”), and then declared his position as the secretary-general of the HKGX.

20. The Chairman noted Mr LO Chi-chiu's declaration of interests.

21. Mr LO Chi-chiu provided a brief report: (i) the HKGX collaborated with Members, local organisations, and friendly groups to promote the initiatives related to SDU by the SSPDO, including setting up street booths, distributing leaflets, and conducting home visits; and (ii) the HKGX had prepared 7 500 gift bags to be distributed together with air purifiers to enhance the appeal of the project. They also planned to further strengthen promotional efforts and improve service coordination for SDU residents.

22. Dr PONG Chiu-fai put forward the following views: (i) expressed gratitude to the District Officer for leading the SSPDC to make new attempts with community groups and organisations; (ii) suggested continuing and enhancing the events held last year, and exploring ways to give residents a sense of participation, such as inviting enthusiastic residents to collaborate; (iii) pointed out that emerging medical technology groups might cease operations due to market and economic pressures. It was suggested that the SSPDO should give due consideration before introducing new technologies; (iv) suggested that the SSPDO should assist relevant education institutions in connecting with local groups for collaboration so as to promote the development of medical technology; (v) suggested that the SSPDO should explore arrangements for providing follow-up treatments to the people after health screening; (vi) in support of the National Games, it was suggested that promotional activities should be integrated with the concept of healthy exercise, link athletes with "Sammy", pandas, and art, culture and e-sports industries in the district, and align with the promotion of the Whole School Health Programme; and (vii) suggested inviting professional personnel to collaborate with organisations to address the problems of SDUs and "three-nil" buildings.

23. The Chairman gave a consolidated response: (i) the SSPDO was ready to explore the possibility of introducing medical technology or rehabilitation centre targeting pain management in Sham Shui Po; (ii) the SSPDO would discuss with CityU about the follow-up medical arrangements after health screening; (iii) given that the target group of the health screening was middle-aged individuals from 45 to 55, consideration should be given to complementing the efforts with those of District Health Centres and the Chronic Disease Co-Care Scheme under the Health Bureau; (iv) the Department of Veterinary Clinical Sciences under CityU and the SSPDO previously co-organised visits to the veterinary medical centre, and consideration would be given to inviting them to continuously co-organise pet-related community activities for the purpose of greater public participation; (v) the SSPDO would consider collaborating with non-profit organisations to try out new medical technologies rather than directly

purchasing products. The SSPDO would also refer to earlier similar initiatives in the district, such as the AI eye screening service conducted in the area around Lei Cheng Uk Estate, and the URA's trial of gerontechnology in the residential care homes for the elderly in the district ; (vi) might consider following up on the implementation of the Whole School Health Programme in the district at relevant committees; and (vii) agreed that distributing air purifiers to SDU households could help understand their living conditions, and the data collected might assist in estimating the number of households eligible for the BHU accommodation.

24. Mr Raymond LAM put forward the following views: (i) expressed gratitude for the District Officer's contributions over the past year, and hoped that the SSPDC would carry on with their work under the four major areas in 2025; and (ii) suggested making the Fête des Fleurs and the coffee event in 2024 regular events with enhanced promotion to establish them as signature events for Sham Shui Po District.

25. The Chairman gave a consolidated response: consideration would be given to conducting event promotion and public relations work more systematically in the new year to enhance the popularity of events.

(b) Leisure and Cultural Services Department - Recreation and Sports Programmes for Sham Shui Po District 2025-26 (SSPDC Paper No. 3/2025)

26. Ms HO Po-chu introduced Paper No. 3/2025 and expressed gratitude to the representatives of the Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee under the SSPDC for meeting with the LCSD last December to exchange views on the activity programmes for the coming year.

27. Mr WONG Chung-leung expressed the following views: (i) acknowledged the efforts of the LCSD; and (ii) hoped that the Department would continue to maintain close communication and cooperation with the SSPDC, including the upcoming promotion work for the National Games, to ensure that the Department's strategies aligned with district needs.

28. Mr Aaron LAM expressed the following views: (i) praised the efforts of the LCSD in promoting district activities over the past year, with notable results; (ii) enquired whether Sham Shui Po was the first base for gateball sports; (iii) suggested that the Department should develop a comprehensive plan for gateball, aiming for awards, and hoped that gateball would become a signature sport for Sham Shui Po; and

(iv) suggested strengthening promotional activities for the National Games and encouraging the public to attend and show support.

29. Ms Wu Wanqiu expressed the following views: (i) noted the extensive programmes by the LCSD for the coming year; and (ii) considered that the planning and support for cricket venues was slightly inadequate, and hoped that the Department would consider increasing resources, such as including cricket in the fun days for ethnic minorities.

30. Ms HO Po-chu gave a consolidated response: (i) thanked Members for the appreciation and recognition of the Department; (ii) gateball was a characteristic sport activity for Sham Shui Po district, with facilities available at Lai Chi Kok Park, Sham Shui Po Park, and Tai Hang Tung Recreation Ground. The LCSD regularly organised competitions, training classes, and fun days to attract public participation in gateball. Training classes were conducted by qualified professional coaches; (iii) noted and would consider Members' suggestions to enhance promotion of gateball; and (iv) noted Members' suggestions regarding the promotion of the National Games. The National Games Coordination Office (Hong Kong) under the Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau would gradually roll out promotional plans. The district offices under the LCSD would coordinate and arrange accordingly. The latest information on the 15th National Games could be found on the thematic website of the 15th National Games (Hong Kong).

31. Mr LEUNG Ping-kin expressed the following views: (i) thanked LCSD for consistently providing venues for ethnic minorities and supporting various organisations in hosting activities and competitions for them; (ii) hoped that the Department could organise events related to the National Games in the Sham Shui Po District to enhance community vibrancy and show support for the Hong Kong team; and (iii) raised the need for cricket among ethnic minorities in Sham Shui Po District and hoped to increase venue bookings and support in the coming year to enable more local groups and individuals to participate.

32. Mr Hanson WONG expressed the following views: (i) thanked LCSD for organising various activities over the past year; and (ii) suggested that the Department should refer to the recent development of marathon events in mainland China and hold related activities in the Sham Shui Po District. For instance, designing a route that connected landmarks such as the waterfront and service reservoirs could help promote the district's unique spots, attracting both the locals and tourists, thereby boosting the local economy.

33. Ms HO Po-chu gave a consolidated response: (i) cricket required specific equipment and ancillary facilities, such as adequate space and operational arrangements. The Department would also consider factors like potential damage to facilities or disturbances to other users when deciding whether to allow non-designated sports activities (e.g. cricket) in outdoor hard-surface pitches under its management; (ii) currently, the seven-a-side hard-surface soccer pitch at Lai Chi Kok Park (Stage III) was available for individuals, groups, and schools to rent for tape-ball cricket activities. The Department had been actively exploring the possibility of opening certain suitable hard-surface pitches in Sham Shui Po District for public booking to accommodate different types of sports activities (e.g. cricket); and (iii) the Department organised an annual long-distance running (trail running competition) event. This year's competition would be held on 12 January at Shing Mun Reservoir, covering a distance of approximately 4 to 5.4 kilometres. The Department noted the suggestion about hosting a full marathon (about 42 kilometres) in Sham Shui Po District and would explore the feasibility of collaborating with other departments to organise similar events in the future.

34. The Chairman added that: (i) at a recent meeting of the Sham Shui Po School Liaison Committee, a group introduced a new sport called pickleball, which did not require much space, and planned to organise a fun day in the district. Once the details had been finalised, Members might be invited to participate; and (ii) similar proposals for marathon events had been raised by members of the local community in the past. Since such events involved road closures or even require cross-district coordination, there would be technical and cost-related challenges, but the proposal remained open for further discussion.

(c) Transport Department - District Plan for Sham Shui Po in 2025/2026 (SSPDC Paper No. 4/2025)

35. Mr Chapman CHAN introduced Paper No. 4/2025.

36. Mr CHAN Wai-ming expressed the following views: (i) expected the Transport Department ("TD") to review the utilisation of the car park that had installed automated parking system at the junction of Yen Chow Street and Tung Chau Street in Sham Shui Po, hoping the Department could optimise resources to maximize the benefits of the smart car park; (ii) suggested installing electric vehicle charging facilities to the upcoming underground car park adopted circular shaft lifting system at Yen Chow Street West; and (iii) said that takeaway food couriers of online delivery platforms had caused dangerous situations frequently when cycling on roads and recommended TD

to enhance measures to address this issue, such as reviewing potential improvements to road design, making better use of traffic detectors, and strengthening public education to prevent accidents.

37. Ms LAU Pui-yuk expressed the following views: (i) requested the Department to provide detailed information on road improvement works in the district, including both planned and ongoing works; (ii) enquired about the estimated commencement date of the footpath widening work near the junction of Ki Lung Street and Kweilin Street, and whether it fell under the “Walk in HK” initiative. Additionally, advised the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (“FEHD”) to pay attention to the potential street obstruction by hawkers after the footpath expansion; and (iii) hoped that the Department would actively consider different feasible solutions to ease the traffic problems in the vicinity of Hai Tan Street and Tung Chau Street, such as the frequent illegal parking in Hai Tan Street, which caused obstruction and affected the visibility of drivers.

38. Mr Leo HO expressed the following views: (i) commended TD for its crisis management in handling the sudden suspension of public light bus route (“PLB”) 45M; (ii) expected the Department to clarify penalties imposed on the operator involved and to enhance the monitoring of PLB service quality; (iii) said that there were complaints from residents about the serious problem of lost trips of PLB and advised that staff be regularly deployed to monitor the operation of PLB services; (iv) expected the Department to implement various improvement measures on schedule in accordance with the annual Bus Route Planning Programme so as to minimise discrepancies between planned and actual implementation dates; and (v) proposed enhancing airport bus services in Cheung Sha Wan district.

39. Mr Chapman CHAN gave a consolidated response: (i) acknowledged the tight supply of parking spaces in the district and would relayed the comment on increasing the utilisation rate of automated parking system for better resource allocation to the relevant sections for review; (ii) would refer to the relevant team to study the feasibility of providing additional electric vehicle charging facilities; (iii) would refer to engineer staff to study the improvements in road design with regard to the use of roads by cyclists, so as to safeguard the safety of road users and reduce the risk of accidents; (iv) the Department would provide timely updates on the progress of road improvement works in the district; (v) the footpath widening work near the junction of Ki Lung Street and Kweilin Street was expected to commence in the second quarter of this year; (vi) noted the traffic issues around Hai Tan Street and Tung Chau Street, and would relay them to the relevant sections; (vii) the Department would continue conducting random inspections and getting an understanding of the operations at PLB and bus stops to

enhance the monitoring of PLB and bus services; and (viii) the implementation progress of the improvement solution for the Bus Route Planning Programme might sometimes subject to adjustment depending on the actual conditions of the bus stops and roads. The Department would continue coordinating with bus companies to ensure the execution of improvement measures.

40. Ms WU Wanqiu expressed the following views: (i) noted that the Department had adjusted the frequency of some bus routes in response to school summer holidays, resulting in excessively long waiting time for residents. She suggested that the Department should review the demand and make further adjustments; (ii) requested the Department to provide more detailed information on encouraging bus companies to construct and improve bus stops with shelters; (iii) enquired about the progress of installing traffic light(s) and zebra crossing(s) near Sham Shui Po Government Primary School on Sham Shing Road; and (iv) as the footbridge at the junction of Sham Mong Road and Hing Wah Street West was about to open, recommended that the Department should take into account the needs of the residents when considering the removal of the nearby pedestrian lights.

41. Mr LEE Wing-man expressed the following views: (i) said that there were insufficient parking spaces along Yu Chau Street, Ki Lung Street, Tai Nan Street, Apliu Street and Maple Street, and proposed provision of additional metered parking spaces along Yu Chau Street; (ii) recommended the Department to step up publicity and education in the district to remind the public to comply with traffic regulations; (iii) the traffic in the district was heavy, particularly the dangerous situations involving couriers riding on motorcycles, which had led to collisions from time to time. It was suggested that the Department should strengthen enforcement and take measures to improve the situation; and (iv) proposed that the Department should consider adjusting the traffic light duration at the junction of Yen Chow Street and Tung Chau Street, for example, extending the red light duration for Yen Chow Street bound heading for the promenade to reduce the risk of traffic accidents.

42. Mr CHEUNG Tak-wai relayed that: the large number of passengers waiting for buses at the bus stops in the district during peak hours had affected the use of road section by other pedestrians. He suggested that the Department should review the design and queue management of bus stops in the district to enhance the waiting environment.

43. Mr Chapman CHAN gave a consolidated response: (i) the Department had reduced bus frequencies during the summer holidays in response to the fall in patronage

for better use of resources. The Member's comments on this matter had been noted, and the situation would be reviewed; (ii) when constructing bus stops with shelters, bus companies must consider the suitability of the locations and whether the pedestrian flow would be affected so as to avoid obstruction to pavements; (iii) the suggestions about provision of more pedestrian crossings on Sham Shing Road near Sham Shui Po Government Primary School and retaining the existing crossing on Hing Wah Street West had been noted and would be forwarded to the works departments for study; (iv) the proposals to provide additional metered parking spaces on Yu Chau Street and adjust the traffic light duration at the junction of Yen Chow Street and Tung Chau Street had been noted and would be forwarded to the works department for consideration; (v) publicity and education to remind pedestrians to comply with traffic regulations would be continued; and (vi) recommendations would be made to bus companies and PLB operators to improve queue management at stops to avoid obstruction to pavements.

44. Ms CHEN Lihong expressed the following views: (i) enquired about the consultation period for the Sham Shui Po District Bus Route Planning Programme 2025-2026 and expected the Department to consider feedback from the Members and local stakeholders; (ii) asked about the progress of constructing bus stops with shelters in the district, including the number of completed and ongoing works; and (iii) proposed installing leaning bars at bus stops where shelter construction was not suitable due to environmental constraints, so that the mobility-impaired and elderly passengers could lean against the bars while waiting.

45. Ms CHUM Pik-wa expressed the following views: (i) recommended the Department to enhance public transport services between Sham Shui Po West and Sham Shui Po East; (ii) proposed widening Lai Ying Street near Ying Cheong House and improving the problem of illegal parking to ensure pedestrian safety; (iii) enquired about the mode of operation and charges of the short-term tenancy car parks ("STT") at Tung Chau Street in Sham Shui Po; (iv) noted that the Department had provided additional parking spaces for motorcycles at Fat Tseung Street near Tung Chau Street Flyover, and suggested that consideration should be given to making similar arrangement in Hing Wah Street West or the space under a flyover at Lai Ying Street to release development potential of the sites and achieve "single site, multiple uses"; (v) enquired about the progress of the construction of shelters at the bus stops in the district, including the locations and number of bus stops with works completed, under construction, and under planning; as well as a list of bus stops which were not suitable for shelter construction, along with specific reasons for that; and (vi) suggested that the Department should review the overall design of bus stops while improving waiting environment.

46. Mr Chapman CHAN gave a consolidated response: (i) the Sham Shui Po District Bus Route Planning Programme 2025-2026 would be discussed at the Traffic and Transport Committee meeting in the first quarter of this year. Members were welcome to give their views during the meeting; (ii) the Department would relay to the bus companies the views of members of the local community and passengers on the construction of shelters at the bus stops; (iii) the Department would relay to the relevant sections the views on the enhancement of public transport services between Sham Shui Po West and Sham Shui Po East for consideration; (iv) would discuss with the Traffic Engineering Division the road widening proposal for Lai Ying Street near Ying Cheong House, taking into account the feasibility of the works and the temporary traffic and transport arrangements; (v) would provide details on the charges of the STT car park at Tung Chau Street in Sham Shui Po after the meeting; and (vi) took note of the Member's suggestion about providing additional parking spaces underneath a flyover, which would be relayed to the relevant sections.

[Post-meeting note: The automated parking system at the SST car park at Tung Chau Street in Sham Shui Po was currently operated by a private operator. According to the information provided by the relevant operator, the automated parking spaces for private cars charged an hourly rate of \$20 and a monthly rate of \$3,300.]

Item 4: Year-end Clean-up Campaign for Sham Shui Po 2025 by Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (SSPDC Paper No. 5/2025)

47. Mr WONG Wai-nang introduced Paper No. 5/2025.

48. The Chairman added that: After improving the district governance, various departments had strengthened their collaboration in addressing district environmental hygiene issues (see table below). Under the new system, departments had been working together and enhancing their efficiency and effectiveness to provide a clean environment for the public to celebrate the Lunar New Year.

<u>Department</u>	<u>Work</u>
FEHD	Year-end Clean-up Campaign - enhanced cleaning of public places and facilities under its management
LCSD	Enhanced cleaning of facilities under its management during the year end
HAD	Enhanced cleaning of facilities under its management during the year end
EPD	Stepping up patrols to minimise noise nuisance during the year end
TD	Facilitating joint operations against illegal parking or abandoned vehicles
HD	Enhanced cleaning during the year end

49. Ms LAU Pui-yuk expressed the following views: (i) thanked FEHD for its efforts in the Year-end Clean-up Campaign; (ii) expected that the Department would strengthen the cleaning support for the environmental hygiene in tenement buildings; (iii) recommended stepping up publicity for the Anti-rodent Charter (the “Charter”) in the housing estates in the district during the Year-end Clean-up Campaign; and (iv) in previous Lunar New Year periods, there were obstructions caused by street stalls in the vicinity of “Pei Ho Four Streets” and Apliu Street. She suggested that FEHD, the Hong Kong Police Force (“HKPF”), and the Hong Kong Customs and Excise Department should make early preparations to ensure smooth access for pedestrians.

50. Mr LEE Wing-man enquired: whether FEHD could deploy staff to assist in cleaning “three-nil” buildings.

51. Mr WONG Wai-nang responded as follows: (i) FEHD mainly provided cleansing services for public places and would cooperate with different organisations to carry out cleaning work in the common areas of “three-nil” buildings as far as possible; (ii) on 31 December 2024, the Department launched the Charter with the objectives of raising public awareness of rodent prevention and control, facilitating the creation of a rodent-free environment. Property management companies/owners’ corporations/residents’ organisations of any private residential premises might sign the Charter and assign anti-rodent liaison ambassador(s) to coordinate anti-rodent efforts in their residential estates/buildings, monitor the service quality and performance of the hired pest control service contractors and so forth. A Charter certificate and stickers would be presented to the participant(s) by FEHD for display in their premises, and a list of participating organisations and premises would be posted on a dedicated webpage

of FEHD for recognition; (iii) Sham Shui Po District Environmental Hygiene Office would liaise with the housing estates in the district to promote the Charter, and Members' assistance in its publicity efforts would also be welcomed; and (iv) the Department would closely monitor the obstruction caused by street stalls in the vicinity of "Pei Ho Four Streets" and Apliu Street during the Lunar New Year period and would conduct joint operations with HKPF.

52. The Chairman added that: (i) the District-led Action Scheme could provide cleaning services for common areas in "three-nil" buildings, and Members might submit a list of buildings for follow-up; and (ii) the Charter was closely related to estate management, and Members were urged to keep in view its implementation.

53. Ms WU Sze-wan expressed the following views: (i) expressed appreciation to FEHD for its support in district work; (ii) suggested that interdepartmental cooperation be strengthened to address environmental hygiene issues, such as rodent prevention and control, and handling hygiene problems arising from the malfunctioning of GREEN@COMMUNITY smart recycling bins or inconvenient locations of recycling spots, etc.; (iii) noted the number of feral pigeons in Mei Foo area had not been reduced, so she enquired about the relevant enforcement measures; and (iv) advised HKPF to increase patrols during the year-end period to prevent burglaries and other crimes.

54. Ms KWOK Yin-lai expressed the following views: (i) enquired about the specific date and time for the cleaning operation in Mei Foo Sun Chuen Phase 3; (ii) expressed concern about the hygiene condition at the former Mei Foo Organic Fest after its land being resumed by the government, and enquired whether the area remained under cleaning coverage; and (iii) expressed concern about the problem of feeding of feral pigeons in Mei Foo area, particularly the situation of the space underneath the footbridge.

55. Mr WONG Wai-nang expressed the following views: (i) rodent control had been one of the key initiatives for Sham Shui Po District Environmental Hygiene Office in 2025. The office would work closely with HD and LCSD to tackle rodent infestation problem in the district, as well as to provide technical support, in the hope of creating a rodent-free environment; (ii) regarding the issue of smart recycling bins and recycling spots in Mei Foo area, the office would get further information from the Member after the meeting and follow up with relevant departments; (iii) AFCD and FEHD would take enforcement actions against illegal feeding of feral pigeons and contamination of public places caused by such act. The public were encouraged to provide intelligence on littering and feeding of feral pigeons to facilitate enforcement; (iv) the Department's

Year-end Clean-up Campaign mainly targeted its own venues/facilities and public places. As Mei Foo Sun Chuen is a private housing estate, the cleaning had to be done by its management office. The Department would contact Mei Foo Sun Chuen's management company to promote the Charter and discuss issues related to cleaning and so on in due course; and (v) would liaise with the department responsible for government land regarding the situation of the former Farm Fest' site.

56. Ms Joyce MOK responded as follows: (i) HKPF implements annual Winter Precaution measures during every Christmas and year-end periods by enhancing uniformed and plainclothes police presence for ground coverage; and (ii) Kowloon West Regional Crime Prevention Office would liaise with security companies and distribute publicity materials to remind residents to strengthen home security measures.

57. The Chairman added that: (i) expected the relevant departments to strengthen enforcement against feeding of feral pigeons; (ii) the site of former Farm Fest was under the purview of the Lands Department, and SSPDO would liaise with the Department to arrange thorough cleaning so as to maintain good environmental hygiene; and (iii) the coordination of the recycling spots under the "GREEN@COMMUNITY" would be further studied after the meeting.

Item 5: Reports of Committees and Working Group Directly under the SSPDC

- (a) District Facilities and Works Committee (SSPDC Paper No. 6/2025)
- (b) Food, Environment and Hygiene Committee (SSPDC Paper No. 7/2025)
- (c) Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee (SSPDC Paper No. 8/2025)
- (d) Traffic and Transport Committee (SSPDC Paper No. 9/2025)
- (e) Housing, Planning and Social Welfare Committee (SSPDC Paper No. 10/2025)
- (f) Youth, Community Development and Innovation Committee (SSPDC Paper No. 11/2025)
- (g) Working Group on Boosting Local Economy (SSPDC Paper No. 12/2025)

58. The Committee noted and approved the contents of the above reports.

Item 6: Any Other Business

59. The Chairman acknowledged the Members' work and efforts over the past year and expressed gratitude to Miss Prudence LUI, Senior Executive Officer (District Management) of the SSPDO for her contributions to the government and the public as she would soon be transferred out.

Item 7: Date of Next Meeting

60. The next meeting would be held at 9:30 am. on 11 March 2025 (Tuesday).

61. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 12:50 p.m.

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