

Report on the meeting of the District Facilities Management Committee held on 18 December 2012

(1) The Committee discussed the following:

- (i) paper on "Proposals to Improve the Arrangements for the Booking and Allocation of Recreation and Sports Facilities under the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD)" submitted by the LCSD; and
- (ii) reply of the LCSD to the question on "Sha Tin Mobile Library Services", and passed the following provisional motion:

"The District Facilities Management Committee of the Sha Tin District Council (STDC) strongly requests the LCSD to review afresh the current arrangements for mobile library stops in Sha Tin and the service hours of the stops, as well as to examine the need of providing additional stops for newly developed housing estates in Sha Tin so as to provide an opportunity for the residents to enjoy mobile library service."

(Passed by a vote of 7 in favour and 9 abstentions)

(2) The Committee endorsed the following:

- (i) proposals regarding the extension of opening hours of six community halls/centres and the funding arrangements, including:
 - (a) continuing to extend opening hours of Lung Hang Estate Community Centre, Kwong Yuen Community Hall, Sha Kok Community Hall, Pok Hong Community Hall, Hin Keng Neighbourhood Community Centre and Mei Tin Community Hall by changing the opening time from 9 am to 7 am for the period from April 2013 to March 2014 (totally one year);
 - (b) continuing to suspend the extension of opening hours of the conference room of Lung Hang Estate Community Centre until further notice, and the proposed arrangements above would not be applied to the conference room of Lung Hang Estate Community Centre;

- (c) earmarking \$695,970 and \$63,270 for financial years 2013/2014 and 2014/2015 respectively to cover the operating expenses incurred by the proposed arrangements. The total funding was \$759,240, and the funding application would be recommended to the Finance and General Affairs Committee (FGAC) for consideration and endorsement; and
- (d) giving special approval to extend the completion date of activities related to the above funding application to 31 March 2014;
- (ii) proposed arrangements for the booking of the STDC Neighbourhood Activity Centre and the funding arrangements, including:
 - (a) continuing to rent the school hall of Integrated Vocational Development Centre (Ma On Shan), using it as the STDC Neighbourhood Activity Centre, which would be available for booking by groups from 6 pm to 10 pm, Monday through Friday, and from 9 am to 10 pm on Saturdays and Sundays for the period from April 2013 to March 2014 (totally one year);
 - (b) earmarking \$887,424 and \$97,920 for financial years 2013/2014 and 2014/2015 respectively to cover the operating expenses incurred by the proposed arrangements. The total funding was \$985,344, and the funding application would be recommended to the FGAC for consideration and endorsement; and
 - (c) giving special approval to extend the completion date of activities related to the above funding application to 31 March 2014;
- (iii) proposals submitted by the Working Group on District Facilities Works, including:
 - (a) revision of the funding application for ST-DMW220 "Project to Provide Elderly Fitness Equipment in A Kung Kok Street Garden", with the amount being increased from \$180,000 to \$182,000;
 - (b) revision of the funding application for ST-DMW227 "Project to Provide Children's Play Equipment in Ma On Shan Park", with the amount being increased from \$40,000 to \$45,000; and

(c) implementation of the following seven new project proposals and the funding arrangements:

	Name of Project	Estimated Project Cost (\$)	Annual Recurrent Expenditure (\$)
1.	Upgrading of Audio-visual Equipment in Hin Keng Neighbourhood Community Centre and Mei Tin Community Hall	300,000	-
2.	Improvement Works to the Pump System of Sha Tin Sports Ground	600,000	-
3.	Improvement Works to Barrier-free Access Facilities of Three Sitting-out Areas in Sha Tin District	360,000	-
4.	Replacement of Electrolytic Chlorinator and Water Slide Pumping Device for Hin Tin Swimming Pool	600,000	-
5.	Provision of Drinking Fountains at Tsang Tai Uk Recreation Ground near the Badminton Court	100,000	-
6.	Provision of Fitness Equipment in the Fitness Rooms of Three Sports Centres in Sha Tin District	350,000	-
7.	Provision of New Facilities in Three Swimming Pools in Sha Tin District	560,400	-

Total: 2,870,400

(iv) three funding applications submitted by community libraries:

	<u>Applicant</u>	Name of activity	Amount_applied for (\$)
1.	Emmanuel Community	"I Love Reading" -	8,000
	Library Centre	Community Promotion	
		Programme	
2.	Ma On Shan Children and	"Stories for Children"	8,000
	Youth Integrated Services	Promotion Month	
	Centre of Boys' and Girls'		
	Clubs Association of Hong		
	Kong		
3.	Tai Wai Children and Youth	Self-study in	8,000
	Integrated Services Centre of	Multi-dimension	
	Boys' and Girls' Clubs		
	Association of Hong Kong		
		Total:	24,000

(3) The Committee noted the following:

- (i) minutes of meetings of the Committee's Working Group on the Management of Community Halls and Libraries and Working Group on District Facilities Works;
- (ii) report on the management of recreation and sports facilities in Sha Tin and report on the promotional activities and services of public libraries in Sha Tin submitted by the LCSD; and
- (iii) progress report on 2012/2013 District Facilities Works.

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