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Sha Tin District Council

Report on the enlarged meeting of the
Development and Housing Committee held on 3 May 2012

- (1) During the enlarged meeting, the councillors and Committee members discussed the following:
 - (i) consultation paper on *Progress Report on 2012/2013 Sha Tin District Major Works Projects* submitted by the Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) ;
 - (ii) consultation paper on *Proposal to Incorporate the Country Park "Enclaves" in Kam Shan into Kam Shan Country Park* submitted by the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department; and
 - (iii) consultation paper on *2012 Work Plan for Sha Tin District Public Housing Management* submitted by the Housing Department;
- (2) The Committee discussed:
 - (i) the replies of the Sha Tin Lands Office, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD), the Architectural Services Department, the Hong Kong Police Force, and the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) to the question on the management of Pok Ngar Villa, and passed the following provisional motion:

“The Development and Housing Committee of the Sha Tin District Council moves a motion for redeveloping the Pok Ngar Villa (also known as International City) sitting-out area into a sitting-out area under the LCSD, and passing the responsibility for daily cleaning, management and maintenance onto the LCSD and relevant departments.” (Passed by a vote of 18 in favour and 4 abstentions);
 - (ii) the replies of the Water Supplies Department, the Drainage Services Department, the Environmental Protection Department, the FEHD, the Sha

Tin Lands Office and the Fire Services Department to the question on the provision of fresh water and roads for Mui Tsz Lam Village, and passed the following provisional motion:

“The Development and Housing Committee of the Sha Tin District Council considers that with the tremendously rapid development of Sha Tin, Mui Tsz Lam Village should no longer be categorised as a remote village. As the population of the village is expected to grow gradually in the foreseeable future, the government should provide essential facilities for the residents. As it takes time to install such facilities, the Committee requests the government departments concerned to immediately embark on the planning of relevant projects, such as projects to supply fresh water and construct sewerage and road facilities for Mui Tsz Lam Village.” (Unanimously passed by a vote of 21 in favour);

- (iii) the replies of the Drainage Services Department, the Highways Department, the CEDD, and the Hong Kong Police Force to the question on the safety of the railings along Shing Mun River; and
- (iv) the replies of the Sha Tin Lands Office and the Transport Department to the question on car parks in Sha Tin and Ma On Shan, and passed the following provisional motion:

“The Development and Housing Committee of the Sha Tin District Council moves a motion requesting the departments concerned to actively explore feasible measures to ameliorate the shortage of parking space for large vehicles in the district.” (Unanimously passed by a vote of 21 in favour).

(3) The Committee endorsed:

- (i) the revised member lists of working groups under the Committee, and the revised name and terms of reference of the Working Group on Major Land Development Projects in Sha Tin District:

Name of the working group:

Working Group on Land Development in Sha Tin District

Terms of reference of the working group:

To submit proposals on land planning in Sha Tin to the Development and

Housing Committee and relevant government departments in the light of the demographic trend, the land available for residential, commercial, industrial and leisure purposes in the future, and the views collected from local communities;

- (ii) the annual work plans of the three working groups under the Committee (Working Group on Economic Development and Labour Affairs, Working Group on Housing Affairs and Working Group on Major Land Development Projects in Sha Tin District) for 2012/2013; and
 - (iii) the proposal of the Working Group on District Improvement Works to implement four proposed new projects. The Works Section of the Sha Tin District Office was commissioned to implement the ramp/stairway project near Mui Tsz Lam Road, the project of adding benches at the pavement area and Mei Tin Road bus stop near Tai Wai Sun Tsuen, as well as the scheduled maintenance contract for 2012/2013. The term contractor was commissioned to implement the rain shelter project on Chui Yan Street. The funding arrangements for district improvement works that had commenced were also endorsed.
- (4) The Committee noted the following:
- (i) population of public housing estates and Private Sector Participation Scheme courts in Sha Tin District;
 - (ii) financial position of Expenditure Head 2 (District Improvement Works) and progress report on the proposed works; and
 - (iii) 2012/2013 Approved Estimates of the Expenditure Heads under the Committee.

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