



Sha Tin District Council

Report on the meeting of the
Development and Housing Committee held on 5 January 2017

(1) The Committee discussed the following:

- (i) *Hong Kong 2030+: Towards a Planning Vision and Strategy Transcending 2030* submitted by the Development Bureau and the Planning Department;
- (ii) *Draft Report on “Research on the Promotion and Development of Tourism in Sha Tin District”* submitted by the Working Group on Land and Economic Development in Sha Tin District;
- (iii) replies of the Lands Department, the Housing Department, the Drainage Services Department, the Highways Department and the Mass Transit Railway Corporation Limited to the question on “Drainage Problem at the Steps Leading from Sui Wo Court to MTR Fo Tan Station”;
- (iv) replies of the Home Affairs Bureau and the Lands Department to the question on “Renewal of the Lease for the Sha Tin Racecourse”, and passed the following provisional motion:

“In 2011, the Hong Kong Jockey Club constructed a 50-storey office building accommodating some 6 000 people on the site originally accommodating the bus station, the car park and other facilities without public consultation beforehand. According to the Government and the Hong Kong Jockey Club, the reason is that it is permitted under the Sha Tin Racecourse lease, and the proposed building is one of the uses which are always permitted under the Sha Tin Outline Zoning Plan, and therefore application for planning approval is not necessary. The Development and Housing Committee of the Sha Tin District Council strongly requests that in the future, the Government Departments concerned should take the initiative to consult the District Council and the residents beforehand regarding any rezoning, alteration of facilities or construction of buildings in the Sha Tin Racecourse area, so that the situation during the construction of the office building in 2011 will not occur again.” (Passed by a vote of 21 in favour and 1 abstention);

- (v) replies of the Planning Department, the Housing Department and the Transport Department to the question on “Town Planning of Sha Tin”;
 - (vi) reply of the Housing Department to the question on “Management of Public Facilities in Public Housing Estates”; and
 - (vii) replies of the Water Supplies Department and the Housing Department to the question on “Fresh and Salt Water Mains”.
- (2) The Committee endorsed the updated member lists of its working groups.
- (3) The Committee noted the following:
- (i) response of the relevant government department to matters arising from the previous meeting;
 - (ii) reports of working groups; and
 - (iii) population of public housing estates and Private Sector Participation Scheme courts in Sha Tin.

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