

**Summary of Minutes of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of  
the Finance, Administration and Publicity Committee (2014-2015)**

**Meeting**

The Finance, Administration and Publicity Committee (“FAPC”) held its 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting on 11 April 2014.

**Position of Tuen Mun District Council (“TMDC”) Funds up to 31 March 2014**

2. As at the end of financial year (“FY”) 2013-2014, the TMDC had allocated a total provision of \$27,663,809 for organising 1 269 community involvement (“CI”) projects. By the end of the FY, the Home Affairs Department had allocated a total additional provision of \$625,825 to Tuen Mun District, revising the approved provision for the FY to \$23,625,825. As at 31 March 2014, the actual expenditure of the TMDC for FY 2013-2014 amounted to \$23,625,666, representing 100% of the allocated funding. Outstanding payments of \$2,629,187 would be carried forward to FY 2014-2015 for payment.

**Outstanding Payments for Projects Approved in FY 2013-2014**

3. The FAPC agreed to carry forward the outstanding payments for the projects approved set out in the paper to the next FY for payment.

**Draft Budget of TMDC Funds (FY 2014-2015)**

4. The approved provision of the TMDC for FY 2014-2015 was \$23,000,000, of which \$21,600,000 would be allocated to organise general CI projects, and the remaining \$1,400,000 would be dedicated to promote local arts and cultural activities. After discussion, the FAPC resolved that the provision allocated to general local organisations would remain at last year’s budget level of \$4,700,000, and provisions allocated to most of the other working groups or organisations would face cuts of around 5%, resulting in an overall budget over-commitment of approximately 24.5%.

**TMDC Funds Applications (Projects to be Held or Commence between May 2014 and March 2015)**

5. The FAPC endorsed the allocation of \$174,940 to a total of seven funding applications.

**Review on Definition of “Excessive Promotion” as well as Concerned Criteria and Coverage**

6. A Member considered that it was quite subjective but worth reviewing as to whether the TMDC-funded projects involved “excessive promotion”. After discussion, the FAPC resolved that it would continue to review cases on the TMDC-funded projects, and as requested, the Secretariat would attach a list of precedents as an annex for Members’ reference as far as possible.

Secretariat, Tuen Mun District Council

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