## <u>Summary of Minutes of the 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Tuen Mun District Council</u> (2012-2015)

## Meeting

The Tuen Mun District Council ("TMDC") held its 15<sup>th</sup> meeting on 4 March 2014.

## <u>Meeting between Director of Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation and Tuen</u> <u>Mun District Councillors</u>

2. The Director of Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation ("DAFC") and the representatives of the Department attended the meeting of Tuen Mun District Council ("TMDC") to brief Members on the work of the Department and listen to the views of Members on items of concern of the local community. Representatives of the Department highlighted five service areas which included: "agriculture", "fisheries", "country and marine parks", "conservation" and "inspection and quarantine".

3. A number of Members put forward their views and questions on the work of the Department which covered: (a) country parks in Hong Kong; (b) the Sha Chau and Lung Kwu Chau Marine Park; (c) the Hong Kong Global Geopark of China; (d) the Hong Kong Wetland Park; (e) local pig farming, chicken rearing industry, fisheries and agriculture; (f) beef supply; (g) pork prices; (h) avian influenza; (i) bird carcasses; (j) inhabiting of wild birds; (k) agricultural rehabilitation; (l) organic vegetables; (m) stray dogs; (n) illegal feeding of stray cats and dogs; (o) marine safety of the Castle Peak Bay Typhoon Shelter; and (p) human resources of the Department. DAFC responded accordingly.

## <u>Methods for Selecting the Chief Executive in 2017 and for Forming the</u> <u>Legislative Council in 2016</u>

4. Secretary for Constitutional and Mainland Affairs ("SCMA") briefed Members on "Methods for Selecting the Chief Executive in 2017 and for Forming the Legislative Council in 2016" and listened to the views of Members. He pointed out that the Chief Secretary for Administration had remarked on another occasion that to successfully implement universal suffrage for the Chief Executive ("CE") in 2017 was a cross-sectoral consensus in Hong Kong, and that the mainstream view was that Hong Kong should timely implement universal suffrage for the CE in accordance with the Basic Law and the decisions of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress.

5. A number of Members put forward their views/questions on methods for selecting the CE and forming the Legislative Council. In response, SCMA said that views of Members had all been recorded for detailed study in due course. He also pointed out that the consultation would end in about two months' time, people from different sectors were welcome to express their views. He also hoped that discussions could be conducted in a peaceful rather than a drastic manner.

6. TMDC passed the following motion with 25 votes in favour, nine against and zero abstention:

"To avoid a constitutional stalemate, the Tuen Mun District Council ("TMDC") strongly requests the Government to formulate methods for universal suffrage for the Chief Executive ("CE") in 2017 in accordance with the Basic Law and the relevant decisions of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress. The CE so elected must be someone who loves both our country and Hong Kong and must not act against the Central Authorities. Moreover, TMDC objects to civic nomination as well as all sorts of illegal behaviours which are violent and disruptive to social order."

Secretariat, Tuen Mun District Council 4 April 2014