# Minutes of the 1st Meeting of the Commerce, Industry and Housing Committee of

## the Tuen Mun District Council

Date: 19 January 2016 (Tuesday)

Time: 9:31 a.m.

Venue: Tuen Mun District Council (TMDC) Conference Room

Present		Time of Arrival	Time of Departure
Ms CHING Chi-hung (Chairman)	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr CHAN Manwell, Leo (Vice-chairman)	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr LEUNG Kin-man, BBS, MH, JP	TMDC Chairman	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr LEE Hung-sham, Lothar, MH	TMDC Vice-chairman	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr TO Sheck-yuen, MH	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Ms KONG Fung-yi	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr NG Koon-hung	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Ms WONG Lai-sheung, Catherine	TMDC Member	9:33 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr AU Chi-yuen	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Ms HO Hang-mui	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr LAM Chung-hoi	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr TSUI Fan	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Ms LUNG Shui-hing	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr CHAN Man-wah, MH	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr CHEUNG Hang-fai	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr HO Kwan-yiu	TMDC Member	9:32 a.m.	End of meeting
Ms CHU Shun-nga, Beatrice	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr TSANG Hin-hong	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Ms SO Ka-man	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr KAM Man-fung	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr MO Shing-fung	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr YEUNG Chi-hang	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr YAN Siu-nam	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr TAM Chun-yin	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr LAU Chun-fai, Lawrence (Secretary)	Senior Executive Officer (District Council),		

Tuen Mun District Office, Home Affairs Department

In Attendance

Mr YIP Man-pan

Mr SO Shiu-shing TMDC Member
Mr KWU Hon-keung TMDC Member
Mr CHU Yiu-wah TMDC Member
Mr CHAN Yau-hoi, MH, JP TMDC Member

Mr LAU Kam-kuen, David District Officer (Tuen Mun), Home Affairs Department

TMDC Member

Ms FUNG Ngar-wai, Aubrey District Officer (Tuen Mun) Designate, Home Affairs Department
Mr LO Chun-hang, Simpson Assistant District Officer (Tuen Mun)1, Home Affairs Department
Mr LEUNG Wai-shing, William Assistant District Officer (Tuen Mun)2, Home Affairs Department

Ms KOO Kit-yee, Angie Senior Liaison Officer (1), Tuen Mun District Office,

Home Affairs Department

Mr CHAU Ka-nin, Eric Senior Liaison Officer (2), Tuen Mun District Office,

Home Affairs Department

Ms HO Ka-man, Carmen Executive Officer I (District Council)1, Tuen Mun District Office,

(Assistant Secretary) Home Affairs Department

#### **Opening Remarks**

Mr LEUNG Kin-man, the Chairman of the TMDC, welcomed Members of the Commerce, Industry and Housing Committee ("CIHC") to the first meeting of the CIHC.

- 2. Mr LEUNG Kin-man also welcomed Ms Aubrey FUNG, District Officer (Tuen Mun) Designate, to the meeting.
- 3. Mr LEUNG Kin-man said that according to the TMDC Standing Orders, a committee should elect its chairman and vice-chairman at the first meeting of the committee in each term, and the TMDC Chairman or Vice-chairman should preside over the meeting for the election of the committee's chairman and vice-chairman. Therefore, he stated that he would be presiding over this meeting until the Chairman and Vice-chairman of the CIHC were elected.

#### I. <u>Election of CIHC Chairman</u>

- 4. Mr LEUNG Kin-man said that Section 71(3) of the District Councils Ordinance provided that a committee of a District Council ("DC") was to elect a member of the committee who was also a member of the DC as the chairman of the committee. On 6 January 2016, the Secretariat had sent the membership lists of the committees and the nomination forms for the committees' chairmen and vice-chairmen to all Members. The nomination period had closed at 5:00 p.m. on 12 January and the Secretariat had sent the list of the validly-nominated candidates to all Members on the same day.
- 5. Mr LEUNG Kin-man that the Secretariat had received one nomination for CIHC Chairman by the end of the nomination period. The Member nominated for CIHC Chairman was Ms CHING Chi-hung, who was nominated by Mr Leo CHAN, and the two Members subscribing the nomination were Mr Lothar LEE and Mr TSANG Hin-hong.
- 6. As there was only one Member nominated as a candidate for CIHC Chairman, Mr LEUNG Kin-man announced pursuant to the TMDC Standing Orders that candidate Ms CHING Chi-hung was elected unopposed as the CIHC Chairman for the term starting from the date of this meeting until 31 December 2017.

#### II. Election of CIHC Vice-chairman

7. Mr LEUNG Kin-man stated that pursuant to Order 33(3) of the TMDC

Standing Orders, a committee might elect a member who was also a TMDC Member as the vice-chairman of the committee.

- 8. Mr LEUNG Kin-man said that the Secretariat had received one nomination for CIHC Vice-chairman by the end of the nomination period. The Member nominated for CIHC Vice-chairman was Mr Leo CHAN, who was nominated by Ms LUNG Shui-hing, and the two Members subscribing the nomination were Ms CHING Chi-hung and Mr HO Kwan-yiu.
- 9. As there was only one Member nominated as a candidate for CIHC Vice-chairman, Mr LEUNG Kin-man announced pursuant to the TMDC Standing Orders that candidate Mr Leo CHAN was elected unopposed as the CIHC Vice-chairman for the term starting from the date of this meeting until 31 December 2017.
- 10. As the Chairman and Vice-chairman of the CIHC had been elected, Mr LEUNG Kin-man turned the meeting over to the CIHC Chairman.
- 11. A Member enquired if non-CIHC Members were required to leave the meeting.
- 12. Mr LEUNG Kin-man said that as TMDC Members could be in attendance at CIHC meetings, non-CIHC Members were not required to leave the meeting.

[The CIHC Chairman started to preside over the meeting at this point.]

### III. Any Other Business

- 13. The Chairman thanked Members for their support and looked forward to Members offering more ideas to foster collective wisdom and working together closely.
- 14. A Member expressed concern over the closure of the On Ting Post Office, saying that the TMDC of the previous term had strongly opposed the closure of the post office and had written to the Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development for this issue. The Commerce and Economic Development Bureau had replied that this issue would be brought up for further discussion at TMDC meetings. However, a notice was posted in early December 2015, stating that the On Ting Post Office would be closed with effect from 1 January 2016. The post office was currently closed. Disappointed about this, the Member reckoned that the Government's words were not matched by actions. She hoped the CIHC Chairman would defend the respect for the

demand of Tuen Mun residents.

15. The Chairman expressed understanding for the Member's view, which was

shared by other Members. She indicated that this issue had been brought up at the

first meeting of the TMDC and the TMDC had written to the relevant department.

She suggested waiting for the department's response first and briefly reporting on the

issue at a full council meeting.

IV. **Date of the Next Meeting** 

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9:39 a.m. 16.

17. The Chairman said that the next meeting was tentatively scheduled for 9:30

a.m. on 15 February (Monday). Subject to the TMDC's official endorsement of the

schedule of meetings, the Secretariat would write to Members informing them of the

confirmed dates of meetings. Members who wished to submit papers might provide

the papers for the Secretariat at least 10 clear working days before the next meeting, i.e.

on or before 26 January tentatively.

(Post-meeting note: The said schedule of meetings was endorsed at the second meeting

of the TMDC held on 19 January 2016.)

Tuen Mun District Council Secretariat

Date: 20 January 2016

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