### Minutes of the 11<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Environment, Hygiene and District Development Committee of the Tuen Mun District Council

Date : 19 July 2019 (Friday)

Time : 9:30 a.m.

Venue : Tuen Mun District Council (TMDC) Conference Room

<u>Present</u>		Time of Arrival	Time of Departure
Ms LUNG Shui-hing, MH (Chairman)	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr KAM Man-fung (Vice-chairman)	TMDC Member	9:32 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, BBS, MH	TMDC Vice-Chairman	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr SO Shiu-shing, MH	TMDC Member	9:31 a.m.	12:28 p.m.
Mr KWU Hon-keung	TMDC Member	9:36 a.m.	11:53 a.m.
Mr TO Sheck-yuen, MH	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr CHU Yiu-wah	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	12:32 p.m.
Ms KONG Fung-yi	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Ms WONG Lai-sheung, Catherine	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, MH	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	11:51 a.m.
Ms CHING Chi-hung, JP	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr CHAN Man-wah, MH	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr CHAN Manwell, Leo	TMDC Member	9:58 a.m.	12:04 p.m.
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 MO Shing-fung	TMDC Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr YIP Man-pan	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 CHAN Tsim-heng	Co-opted Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Mr TSOI Shing-hin	Co-opted Member	9:30 a.m.	End of meeting
Ms CHAN Ching-yee, Jackie	Executive Officer I (District Council)2,		
(Secretary)	Tuen Mun District Office, Home Affairs Department		

By Invitation

Mr CHEUNG Ka-leung, Tony Chief Engineer/West 3,

Civil Engineering and Development Department

Ms HO Wing-yin, Winnie Senior Engineer/11 (West),

Civil Engineering and Development Department

Ms XIAO Ying Project Manager, Atkins China Limited Mr CHEUNG Wai-kiu, Ricky Project Engineer, Atkins China Limited Mr CHAN Wai-kit, Thomas Chief Engineer/Housing Projects 2,

Civil Engineering and Development Department

Mr CHOW Siu-hong Senior Engineer/5,

Civil Engineering and Development Department

Mr Edwin LO

Representative of the Consultant appointed by CEDD

Mr Gary TSUI

Representative of the Consultant appointed by CEDD

In Attendance

Miss TSUI Man-yee, Joanna Assistant District Officer (Tuen Mun)1,

Home Affairs Department

Mr LEE Ming-ki Senior Inspector of Works (Acting), Tuen Mun District Office,

Home Affairs Department

Mr LEE Kam-ho, Edwin District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Tuen Mun),

Food and Environment Hygiene Department

Ms CHAN Wing-yee Deputy District Leisure Manager (Tuen Mun)2,

Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Mr CHAN Pui-shing, Michael Engineer/Tuen Mun 4, Drainage Services Department

Miss LAM Woon-tim Housing Manager/Tuen Mun 1(Acting), Housing Department Mr YEUNG Mo-man Senior Environmental Protection Officer (Regional West)1,

**Environmental Protection Department** 

Miss WU Ho Kei, Maggie Town Planner/Tuen Mun 4, Planning Department

Mr CHAN Yuen-heng, Jason Engineer/15 (West),

Civil Engineering and Development Department

Mr TAM Kwok-leung Administrative Assistant/Lands (Acting) (District Lands Office,

Tuen Mun), Lands Department

Mr YIP Lam-fung Engineer/New Territories West (Distribution 2),

Water Supplies Department

Mr LAU Yan-cheuk, Louis Project Coordinator/Design 4,

Water Supplies Department

Absent with Apologies

Mr NG Koon-hung Mr KEUNG Kai-pong TMDC Member Co-opted Member

### I. Opening Remarks

The Chairman welcomed all participants and government department representatives in attendance to the 11<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Environment, Hygiene and District Development Committee ("EHDDC").

- 2. The Chairman reminded members of the public observing the meeting that the press areas set up on both sides of the screen at the back of the conference room were reserved for use by media representatives who had registered and received stickers for identification. Other members of the public observing the meeting should remain in the public seating area.
- 3. The Chairman reminded Members that any Member who was aware of a personal interest in a discussion item should declare the interests before the discussion. She would, in accordance with Order 39(12) of the Tuen Mun District Council ("TMDC") Standing Orders, decide whether the Member who had declared the interest might speak or vote on the matter, might remain in the meeting as an observer, or should withdraw from the meeting. All cases of declaration of interests would be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

### II. Absence from Meeting

4. The Secretariat reported that no applications for leave of absence had been received from Members.

### III. Confirmation of Minutes of Last Meeting

5. As there were no amendments to the minutes, the Chairman announced that the minutes of the 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of the EHDDC (2018-2019) were endorsed.

### **IV.** Discussion Items

## (A) <u>Minor Works for Three Provisional Industrial Sites in Tuen Mun Area</u> (EHDDC Paper No. 33/2019)

- 6. The Chairman welcomed Mr CHEUNG Ka-leung, Tony, Chief Engineer/West 3 and Ms HO Wing-yin, Winnie, Senior Engineer/11 (West) of the Civil Engineering and Development Department ("CEDD"), and Ms SIU Ying, Project Manager and Ms CHEUNG Wai-kiu, Project Engineer of the Atkins Limited ("the Consultant") to the meeting.
- 7. Mr CHEUNG of the CEDD gave a PowerPoint presentation to brief

Members on the captioned project (Annex 1).

- 8. Members' comments and enquiries on the captioned briefing were summarised as follows:
- (i) A Member enquired whether the department could change the use of government land at any time and whether the captioned provisional industrial sites had time limit. He said that if the land adjacent to the Yik Yuen Village was redeveloped into a car park, it would help ease the shortage of parking spaces in the Tuen Mun District;
- (ii) A Member said that the existing land adjacent to the Yik Yuen Village was located near a Light Rail stop and the traffic in the vicinity of Lung Mun Road was very congested. Therefore, the Member asked the department about the complementary transport arrangements for rezoning the three captioned lands to industrial sites; and
- (iii) A Member said that the information in the paper was not comprehensive enough for Members' reference. She pointed out that the paper did not provide exact use of the three lands after they were rezoned to industrial sites and their details of use (e.g. operating time).
- 9. Mr CHEUNG of the CEDD replied that the land next to the Yik Yuen Village was situated near the future Hung Shui Kiu MTR Station as the town centre of the development area. According to the current planning, the land would be developed as commercial and residential sites. The department hoped that Members could make comments on the project of the captioned three provisional industrial sites at this meeting so that the provisional sites could be properly and fully used.
- 10. Mr CHEUNG of the CEDD continued to point out that after the consultant had considered the traffic and environmental factors near the land concerned, they proposed relatively feasible uses and list them in the paper. The consultant had made traffic impact assessment of the land concerned. As the area of the land concerned was rather small and the impact on traffic was relatively lower, he reckoned that the existing complementary traffic measures could satisfy the demands of the provisional sites concerned. Regarding Members' comments on the future use of the provisional industrial sites, the department would relay Members' comments to the Bureau for them to consider carefully when working out the

provisions of the lease of the short-term work site.

- 11. Members' second round of comments and enquiries on the reply from the CEDD were summarised as follows:
- (i) A Member showed concerned about the shortage of parking spaces in the Tuen Mun District and suggested that the captioned land should be given priority to the redevelopment into a car park where large vehicles could be parked;
- (ii) A Member said that the Hung Shui Kiu MTR Station would be commissioned in 2024 and the captioned three rezoned industrial sites would be available for use as early as 2020. In other words, the site operator could use the land concerned for four years only. He reckoned that it was a waste of time to redevelop the land concerned for use other than car park and to remove trees so he had objections to the approval of the paper. It was also a waste of public money to commission a consultant to conduct a study on the provisional sites that could be operated for a few years only. He also queried about the results of the consultant's traffic impact assessment and reminded the department to make the complementary traffic arrangements properly;
- (iii) A Member enquired again whether the department could change the use of government land at any time. He reckoned that it was a waste of public money to commission a consultant to conduct a study on the use of the captioned three provisional industrial sites. He also queried about the results of the consultant's traffic impact assessment. He pointed out that there were often traffic accidents involving Light Rail trains and light goods vehicles or coaches at the land adjacent to the Yik Yuen Village;
- (iv) A Member said that traffic accidents involving Light Rail trains happened at the land adjacent to the Yik Yuen Village from time to time so he was worried about the complementary traffic arrangements after the rezoning of the land concerned:
- (v) A Member hoped that the department would consult the EHDDC again before it was put out to tender officially; and

- (vi) A Member said that there was no need to commission a consultant and agreed that it was desirable to redevelop the captioned land into a car park.
- 12. The Chairman said that Members were worried about the complementary traffic arrangements for the captioned land. She learned that the department had commissioned a consultant to conduct a traffic impact assessment but the assessment was not submitted to the EHDDC for reference and the trees to be removed were white popinac. She asked the department why the consultant's study was conducted in 2018 without consulting the EHDDC.
- 13. Mr CHEUNG of the CEDD said that the department commissioned the consultant to conduct technical assessments on traffic and environment impacts in 2018 to make recommendations for the proposed project and suitable provisional industrial use. On the proposed project, the department would carry out minor works including the construction of drainage systems and metal wire fences.
- 14. As far as the use was concerned, Mr CHEUNG of the CEDD reiterated that the use of the captioned three provisional industrial sites was not confirmed. The department was pleased to listen to Members' comments on the provisional industrial use proposed by the consultant and would relay their comments to the Lands Department to follow up actively.
- 15. Mr CHEUNG of the consultant said that according to the preliminary traffic assessment, there would be one vehicle passing through the section every hour during the period of construction. When the lands concerned were used as work sites, there would be about twenty vehicles passing through every hour. There would not be unacceptable impact on the traffic nearby during the period of construction and the operation in future.
- 16. Members' third round of comments and enquiries on the reply from the CEDD were summarised as follows:
- (i) A Member said that the department needed to submit comprehensive information such as traffic impact assessment report for Members to consider the rezoning use; and
- (ii) A Member said that the department needed to consider the consultant's study area and suggested including more elements of public participation

and listening to comments from district people more. He also suggested that the department should provide the PowerPoint presentation of the consultant's assessment so that Members could have more information and data as reference for the consideration of the planning use.

17. The Chairman concluded that the department should have consulted the EHDDC first before commissioning the consultant to conduct the study. Moreover, the EHDDC were sceptical about the accuracy of the above traffic assessment. She also said that she showed special concern about the traffic situation after the work sites were used in future. She pointed out that the department needed to consult the EHDDC again on the proposed use of the captioned three sites after listening to Members' comments at this meeting.

# (B) PWP Item No. B820CL Site Formation and Infrastructure Works for Public Housing Development near Tan Kwai Tsuen, Yuen Long – Consultation for Proposed Road Works and Sewerage Works (EHDDC Paper No. 34/2019)

- 18. The Chairman welcomed Mr CHAN Wai-kit, Thomas, Chief Engineer/Housing Projects 2 and Mr CHOW Siu-hong, Senior Engineer/5 of the CEDD and Mr LO Chi-hang and Mr CHUI King-hang, the consultant' representatives to the meeting.
- 19. Mr CHAN and Mr CHOW of the CEDD gave a PowerPoint presentation to brief Members on the captioned project (Annex 2).
- 20. Members asked whether the department had consulted the Tuen Mun Rural Committee on the captioned project.
- 21. Mr CHAN of the CEDD replied that they had consulted the Ping Shan Rural Committee in May 2019 and planned to consult the Tuen Mun Rural Committee in August 2019.
- 22. Members' comments and enquiries on the captioned project were summarised as follows:
- (i) A Member said that houses would be built in Yuen Long and complementary facilities would be provided in Tuen Mun for the captioned project. However, the facilities concerned would seriously affect the Fung

Shui meridian of the Chung Uk Tsuen. On the junction improvement measures proposed in the captioned project, he hoped that the department would make reference to the discussion about the land concerned by the TTC of the TMDC, and communicate with the TD to try to improve the traffic at the land concerned, e.g. connecting Tung Fuk Road to the Yuen Long Slip Road. He also requested the department to consult the Tuen Mun Rural Committee as soon as possible and submit more comprehensive information to the Tuen Mun Rural Committee for their consideration. He added that the current situation of the Yan Tin Estate was the best example. The improvement works for the Lam Tei Interchange commenced after the completion and intake of the Yan Tin Estate, giving heavier burden to the Castle Peak Road directly. Therefore, he reckoned that the department should fully consider the complementary traffic measures first before commencing the captioned project to avoid recurrence; and

- (ii) A Member agreed that the department should listen to valuable comments from district people. On traffic improvements, he reckoned that there would be higher efficiency to turn Tung Fuk Road into a road carrying two-way traffic. Moreover, he suggested that old sewerage should be kept during the provision of new sewerage so that new and old sewerages could be better used at the same time.
- 23. Mr CHAN of the CEDD said that the department had a meeting with the village head of Chung Uk Tsuen on 5 July 2019 to listen to initial comments from the village on the captioned project. Therefore, the proposed road routing of the captioned project had taken into consideration the existing locations of the ancestral graves of the Chung Uk Tsuen. The road concerned would keep certain distance with the ancestral graves of the Chung Uk Tsuen. The department was actively arranging a meeting again with the village head of Chung Uk Tsuen and the vice-chairman of the Tuen Mun Rural Committee for a site inspection, and would consult them on the detailed graphic design plan for their comments. Moreover, on the proposal to keep the old sewerage, the department would continue to follow up in this direction, and to keep the old sewerage during the construction of the new sewerage.
- 24. On the junction improvement works for Shun Tat Street, Mr CHAN of the CEDD said that the department had paid attention to TD's short, medium and

long-term improvement works project for Shun Tat Street. Therefore, there was no clash between the junction improvement works for Shun Tat Road involving the captioned project and the TD's improvement works project. He continued to say that the junction improvement works for Fuk Hang Tsuen were included in the area of the Widening Works for Fuk Hang Tsuen Road. The HyD planned to consult the Tuen Mun North East Area Committee on the works concerned and the CEDD would consult the Tuen Mun Rural Committee in August 2019 together with the whole captioned project. Regarding Members' comments on the improvement of Tung Fuk Road, the department had made preliminary assessment. According to the results of the traffic and transport impact assessments of the captioned project, Shun Tat Street could cope with the additional traffic demands brought by the housing development. However, after learning about Members' consideration and suggestions, the department would continue to communicate with the department concerned to explore the need for the improvement of Tung Fuk Road.

25. The Chairman concluded that Members suggested turning Tung Fuk Road into a road carrying two-way traffic. She hoped that the department would follow up actively and consult the Tuen Mun Rural Committee in August 2019 as soon as possible in order to listen to comments from district people.

## (C) <u>Installation of 360 Degree Cameras at Selected Priority Sites where</u> <u>Marine Refuse is Prone Accumulated</u> (EHDDC Paper No. 35/2019)

- 26. Mr LEE Kam-ho, Edwin of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department ("FEHD") said that the 360 degree cameras mentioned in the captioned paper would be used to monitor the situation of refuse being washed onto the shores. As the trial tests in the Island District and the Tai Po District had good results and Lung Kwu Tan and Lung Kwu Sheung Tan was one of the 27 locations identified by the Environmental Protection Department ("EPD") as priority sites to handle marine refuse, the FEHD now proposed the installation of 360 degree camera near the Lung Kwu Tan Public Toilet in the middle of Lung Kwu Tan and Lung Kwu Sheung Tan. By monitoring the two beaches at the same time, the EPD could know more about the amount of refuse being washed to the shores. On this, the department wanted to consult the EHDDC on the proposed location of installation.
- 27. A Member said that there could be trial tests for the installation of the 360 degree camera mentioned in the captioned paper at Lung Kwu Tan and Lung Kwu

Sheung Tan and asked whether the camera concerned could be used to monitor the littering in the typhoon shelter to act as a deterrent.

- 28. Mr LEE of the FEHD replied that after installing the 360 degree camera, the FEHD could allocate resources more effectively. According to experience, whenever there was easterly wind in summer, the situation of marine refuse being washed onto the Lung Kwu Tan and Lung Kwu Sheung Tan was more serious. However, as the wind direction was not stable, the actual situation might be found not tallying with the report collected when the department sent officers to the scene to follow up thus wasting resources instead. After installing the 360 degree camera near the Lung Kwu Tan Public Toilet under their purview, and if the situation of marine refuse at Lung Kwu Tan and Lung Kwu Sheung Tan was not too serious, the FEHD hoped that the resources concerned could be allocated to the locations which required the presence of their officers to follow up, e.g. typhoon shelters, to handle the problem of marine refuse being washed onto the shore.
- 29. The Chairman concluded that the EHDDC supported the FEHD's installation of 360 degree camera near the Lung Kwu Tan Public Toilet to monitor the situation of marine refuse being washed onto Lung Kwu Tan and Lung Kwu Sheung Tan.

### (D) Relocation of the fixed pitch hawker site: Ms HO Lin-ho (EHDDC Paper No. 36/2019)

- 30. Mr LEE of the FEHD said that the EHDDC supported the department in 2018 on the issue of a fixed pitch hawker (tradesmen) licence to the captioned facial cosmetician and setting the location of the pitch at the bottom of the existing Luk Yuen Street Footbridge in Tuen Mun. Subsequently, the department received an application from the captioned facial cosmetician for switch of location, which was near the motor-cycle car park at the bottom of the NF385 footbridge outside the Golden Orchid Court in Luk Yuen Street. As the current location was rather crowded and the department had sought advice from seven government departments and they had no objections, the department now wanted to consult Members on the new location.
- 31. A Member said that it would be better to relocate the hawker into an air-conditioned market and let her operate in a vacant pitch in the market rather than relocate her fixed pitch.

- 32. Mr LEE of the FEHD replied that the issue of fixed pitch (tradesmen) hawker licences was to conserve local culture. Therefore, one of the licensing conditions was that the licence concerned could not be transferred or inherited. He thanked Members for their comments and said that he would relay to the department. He also said that after making reference to the trial operations in other districts, the department would study actively the provision of opportunities to the people who intended to inherit this tradesmen service industry so that they could operate in markets but not inherit the above hawker licence.
- 33. The Chairman concluded that the applicant said she would accept the new location so the EHDDC had no objections to the new location.
- (E) Request for LCSD to Report on Its Work Plan for Handling Noise

  Nuisance in Tuen Mun Park and Follow-up Work after Amending

  Section 25 of the Pleasure Grounds Regulation (Cap. 132BC)

  (EHDDC Paper No. 37/2019)

  Reply from Leisure and Cultural Services Department
- 34. The Chairman said that at the 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of the District Facilities Management Committee ("DFMC") held on 11 June 2019, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department ("LCSD") was requested to provide explanations on the management problem related to the users of Tuen Mun Park at the 11<sup>th</sup> meeting of DFMC to be held on 20 August 2019. Therefore, this meeting would focus only on the discussion about the noise problem in Tuen Mun Park mentioned in the paper.
- 35. The first proposer of the paper said that he had tried to know more about the noise problem in Tuen Mun Park from the LCSD many times but the reply received was that enforcement action could not be taken by the department for different reasons. Therefore, it was necessary to amend Section 25 of the Pleasure Grounds Regulations, CAP132BC, Laws of Hong Kong before the department could take further action more effectively. The amendment to the above law would be passed only after the Legco resumed in October or November 2019 during which the district council for this term would be in recess. Therefore, to avoid the councillors of TMDC from failing to follow up, he hoped that the LCSD could simply brief on any work plan before the amendment to the law at his meeting, and whether there were any specific ways of implementation to solve the noise problem in Tuen Mun Park after the amendment.
- 36. Members' comments and enquiries on the paper were summarized as

follows:

- (i) A Member said that at the meeting of the TMDC held on 9 July 2019, there was initial discussion about the problems of Tuen Mun Park. He understood that the LCSD would provide explanations on the management problem related to the users of Tuen Mun Park at the meeting of the DFMC to be held on 20 August 2019. Therefore, he hoped that the LCSD would initially provide Members with the information concerned for Members' pursual at this meeting;
- (ii) A Member said that the TMDC approved the cancellation of Self-entertainment Areas at the meeting of 9 July 2019 so the Member asked the LCSD why the effective date was September 2019 instead of taking effect on the day of meeting;
- (iii) A Member said that at the meeting of the TMDC held on 9 July 2019, there were many comments raised on the problem in Tuen Mun Park, including prohibition on the use of loudspeakers in the park, and the LCSD was requested to implement immediately. She hoped that the LCSD could provide explanations on the specific work for solving the problem concerned by the LCSD during the period from 9 July 2019 to this meeting;
- (iv) A Member said that the LCSD had claimed that there needed to be somebody to make a report or an amendment to the law concerned before taking any enforcement action. He did not understand the reasons behind and reckoned that the LCSD had not taken enforcement action in accordance with the captioned law. He suggested that the EHDDC should write to the Ombudsman to complain about the LCSD for failing to take action in accordance with the law;
- (v) A Member reckoned that even if the Legco resumed in October 2019, the amendment to the law concerned might not be passed immediately. She said that enforcement action was more important. She noticed that some park users carried out music performing activities with loud speakers on the rest days of the LCSD officers, e.g. Sundays. She suggested that the FEHD or the police should carry out more patrols. It was believed that this would act as a deterrent and the activities of the park users would run low; and

- (vi) A Member said the councillors of the TMDC had followed up the noise problem in Tuen Mun Park and relayed comments to the LCSD. She reckoned that the captioned law had vested the LCSD with full authority in taking enforcement action. It was just the LCSD which had failed to follow up actively so she hoped that the department would review their work.
- 37. Ms CHAN Wing-yee of the LCSD replied that in the judgment on a case of a music performer singing in a pleasure ground, the court's interpretation of Section 25 "Music and Singing' in the Pleasure Grounds Regulation pointed out that people who used public pleasure grounds were allowed to operate or play the music instruments or use music instruments to make any sound or sing inside the pleasure grounds without applying to the Director of the LCSD or obtaining his written approval. The only limitation was that these activities should not cause nuisance to any other people who used the pleasure grounds. Therefore, when applying the Pleasure Grounds Regulation to prosecute the people making noise nuisance, the department needed to prove that somebody who used the venue was annoyed and the person who used the venue should act as a prosecution witness while the park warden and the residents nearby would not be deemed as somebody who used the venue. Therefore, unless somebody who used the venue was willing and able to come forward and act as a prosecution witness, the department could not commence enforcement action based on the officer's observations or complaint received (mostly lodged by the residents nearby) alone. She said that more and more people who used the venue were willing to act as witnesses thus helping the department initiate successful prosecution against the offenders. She thanked Members for their comments and suggestions. She said that the department had showed concern about the noise problem in Tuen Mun Park and hoped to give citizens a quiet Tuen Mun Park.
- 38. Ms CHAN of the LCSD continued to say that the department would process the above amendment to the law by negative vetting, and would follow up actively after the amendment. According to the current amendment proposal, one of the amendments was to change "any other persons who use the pleasure ground" to "anybody". This amendment would help encourage citizens to act in a responsible and well-behaved manner in public pleasure grounds. She pointed out that after the public events in Tuen Mun Park on 6 July 2019 and the approval on the cancellation of two self-entertainment zones in Tuen Mun Park at the meeting of the TMDC on 9

July 2019, and the department planned to carry out beautification or maintenance works at the locations for music performance, the area of the activities of the people concerned became smaller. It was hoped that this would reduce the noise nuisance caused by music performance. Before completion of the amendment to the above regulation, the department would continue to closely monitor the noise nuisance in Tuen Mun Park, maintain close contacts and increase co-operations with the police and take appropriate action in the event of any violations to the regulation to maintain good order in the park.

- Ms CHAN of the LCSD also pointed out that at the meeting of the Legislative Council Panel on Home Affairs on 29 April 2019, the Panel recommended more comprehensive reviews during the amendment to the Pleasure Grounds Regulation, including an increase of penalty and ways of prosecutions, combat of money tipping, restrictions on loudspeakers and forfeiture of sound equipment of the offenders in order to crack down on the current problems at Tuen Mun Park more effectively. The department was seeking legal advice on the above recommendations. On the other hand, application process for the use of self-entertainment zones could commence three months before the day of approval. Although the TMDC cancelled the self-entertainment zones at the meeting on 9 July 2019, the self-entertainment zones would not be cancelled until 1 October 2019 as the applications for the use of the self-entertainment zones approved in or before September 2019 earlier would not be affected.
- 40. Members' second round of comments and enquiries on the reply from the LCSD were summarised as follows:
- (i) A Member suggested enhancement of the administration manpower arrangements of the LCSD. He said that as music performing groups were most active on Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays, there would be higher opportunities for the department to handle complaints. He reckoned that the department should arrange manpower on duty on the above days to lead front-line officers to handle complaints. He also said that officers who were responsible for the acceptance of complaints should improve their attitude. He also hoped that the LCSD should review the practice that the witness was needed to accuse the target of the complaint face to face, which would make the witness hold back. He also suggested that the LCSD should co-operate with the police and protect the complainants' safety to avoid their refraining from making complaints.

He hoped that the LCSD could implement the amended Pleasure Grounds Regulation in the future and reckoned that the LCSD should step up enforcement action. Whether the offenders charged would be found guilty or not should be judged by the courts;

- (ii) A Member said that according to the reply from the LCSD, he understood that the difficulties of the department in taking enforcement action came from the precedents and interpretations of the magistracy in the past. He also understood the limitations of the department on the burden of proof and reckoned that this helped the public know more about the limitations of the department in taking enforcement action in Tuen Mun Park. He said that the LCSD should keep taking the above steps and continue to follow up the problem of Tuen Mun Park;
- (iii) A Member said that this meeting could do justice to the TMDC. It could be seen from the recent operations of the LCSD that the department were able to handle the problem of Tuen Mun Park. Therefore, he hoped that the department could continue to take these measures until the amendment to the law concerned was approved. He did not want the problem of Tuen Mun Park to spread to other pleasure grounds. He pointed out that as the manager of pleasure grounds, the LCSD had the responsibility for doing better management work before the presence of complaints;
- (iv) A Member said that this was the best opportunity to do the right things now. She reckoned that the LCSD should increase manpower and step up enforcement action instead of selective enforcement to avoid the problem of Tuen Mun Park from recurrence. She said that the department should not give up law enforcement or just rely on the police alone in taking enforcement action. She hoped that different departments could work together to overcome the problem;
- (v) A Member said that observing the law was a condition for the use of self-entertainment zones so she hoped that the LCSD could regulate the users of the self-entertainment zones in accordance with the law;
- (vi) A Member suggested increase of resources from the District-led Action Schemes to overcome the problem of Tuen Mun Park; and

- (vii) A Member suggested that the LCSD should take joint enforcement action at Tuen Mun Park with the Immigration Department to know more about the jobs of the singers of the music performing groups, MPF contribution and tax situations. She also reckoned that the LCSD could have directly prohibited users of pleasure grounds from bringing loudspeakers into Tuen Mun Park.
- 41. Ms CHAN of the LCSD replied that the department was working on the allocation of officers from the current manpower in the Tuen Mun District and hoped to step up monitoring of Tuen Mun Park on Saturdays and Sundays. The department would also pay attention to the attitude of the officers responsible for handling complaints and remind them to keep friendly when answering complaints from citizens so that citizens would understand the limitations of the captioned regulation. Then they would be invited to go to the scene of Tuen Mun Park in person as witnesses. Based on the principle of giving priority to the witness' safety, the department would arrange for an officer to join the witness at the scene of Tuen Mun Park and then identify the offender who caused nuisance to the user of the pleasure ground (i.e. the witness) at a suitable and clear distance without obstruction. After obtaining substantial evidence, the department would send a security officer to escort the witness to leave the scene to protect the witness' safety.
- 42. Ms CHAN of the LCSD reiterated that the department was seeking legal advice on the current Pleasure Grounds Regulation for a comprehensive review. She said that after listening to Members' comments, the department would try to apply different sections of the Pleasure Grounds Regulation to initiate prosecutions and let the magistracy judge whether the person charged was guilty or not. She hoped citizens would understand that the department needed to enforce the captioned regulation with some conditions, i.e. complaints were made by any other users of the pleasure ground who felt nuisance and they were willing to act as witnesses. Before the amendment to the law, the department would encounter difficulties in taking enforcement action but the department was still determined to provide citizens with a quiet Tuen Mun Park.
- 43. Ms CHAN of the LCSD added that the department would continue to monitor the situations of pleasure grounds under their purview. They also learned that there were similar situations in the Tsing Tin Pleasure Ground. Therefore, they would increase communication with the police and initiate prosecutions against the

offenders. The LCSD had set restrictions on the output volume of loud speakers used in the self-entertainment zones and the department would continue to monitor the noise problem in the self-entertainment zones. The department were making a comprehensive review of the Pleasure Grounds Regulation, and the scope of review included restrictions on the size of loud speakers used in pleasure grounds. On the rules about the prohibition on the use of loud speakers, the court considered that the rule had narrowed the citizens' rights to use loud speakers in parks without causing nuisance to other users of venues under Section 25 of the Pleasure Grounds Regulation, so the rule concerned would become invalid owing to ultra vires. Moreover, on the situation of illegal labour in Tuen Mun Park, the Immigration Department received the complaint concerned several months ago and went to the scene for investigation. During the operation, the Immigration Department did not find any persons not holding Hong Kong identity cards in the music performing groups. The department would continue to pay attention to the matter concerned and would refer it to the department concerned to follow up if needed.

- 44. Miss TSUI Man-yee, Joanne, Assistant District Officer (Tuen Mun) 1 said that if there were additional resources left in the District-led Action Scheme, the TMDO would be pleased to support the operation of the LCSD on the situation of Tuen Mun Park. On the scheme for the coming year, the department could conduct a study after the LCSD made amendment to the law and would provide appropriate assistance in stepping up enforcement action.
- 45. The Chairman concluded that at the 10<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 11 June 2019, the DFMC requested the LCSD to provide explanations on the management problems related to the users of Tuen Mun Park at the 11<sup>th</sup> meeting in August. She hoped that after listening to Members' comments, the LCSD would provide explanations on the joint operations, figures of prosecution operation and dispersal situations during the meeting at the same time so that the TMDC could continue to follow up the matter concerned.

(The Chairman left the meeting at this moment and the meeting was temporarily chaired by the Vice-chairman.)

## (F) Request for EPD and FEHD to Tackle the Odour Problem of Gold Coast Piazza (EHDDC Paper No. 38/2019) (Reply from the FEHD)

- 46. The first proposer of the paper said that the captioned problem had dragged for many months. At the beginning of this year, the EPD had responded to her request and asked for a joint inspection but he officer of the EPD said that there was no odour detected. Subsequently, she continued to write to the EPD and requested follow-up of the captioned problem. The EPD said that they could communicate and discuss with the management company of the piazza to improve the situation concerned. However, she reckoned that the EPD had handled the case passively. Now the management company of the piazza cover the sewage treatment facilities suspected generating the odour with wooden planks. However, the stagnant water and moss at the facilities had helped the breeding of small insects thus affecting the environmental hygiene. On one hand, she hoped that the EPD could explain at the meeting how to take active and specific action positively to improve the situation of odour. On the other hand, she hoped that the FEHD could explain how to continue to follow up the situation concerned to improve the environmental hygiene at that location.
- 47. A Member said that it was not scientific for a human to judge whether there was odour with the sense of smell. The Member suggested that the EPD should use advanced instruments to test the presence of odour for analysis of the composition as an effective way to solve the captioned problem and improve the environmental hygiene at that location. Moreover, the government should allocate more resources to purchase these advanced instruments.
- 48. Mr YEUNG Mo-man of the EPD replied that the officer of the department and the Members did not detect the odour during joint inspection. However, the department had followed up the captioned problem. The department had conducted inspections at that location during different time slots (morning, afternoon and night time) for seven times and found that sometimes there was very slight odour generating from that location intermittently lasting for several seconds and sometimes there was no odour. Therefore, the department did not have adequate justifications to force the management company of the piazza concerned to take measures to reduce the odour. Nevertheless, the company said they were prepared to commission a consultant to conduct a study on the captioned problem to improve the situation concerned.

- 49. Mr YEUNG of the EPD continued to say that currently there was no instrument to measure whether the odour could cause nuisance to people. Judging with human's sense of smell was still the international practice. Nevertheless, the department sent at least two officers for the patrols each time and conducted repeated patrols with different officers during different time slots. However, there was only very slight odour detected for a few times in the seven inspections.
- Mr LEE of the FEHD said that the ovitrap index recorded at So Kwun Wat in June 2019 was 24.5% so the department found that the sewerage treatment facility mentioned in the paper was a potential mosquito breeding location. After communication, the management company of the piazza had taken corresponding preventive measures against mosquito problem at the advice of the department. The department also worked with the Lands Department to carry out anti-mosquito and prevention work at the public places near the Hong Kong Gold Coast. Therefore, the ovitrap index at So Kwun Wat dropped drastically to 7.3% in July. In the arrangement of the work in future, he said that the department would list the vicinity of the Hong Kong Gold Coast as a routine location for monitoring, including the sewerage treatment facility, and would conduct inspections in Winter on their own initiative for prevention.
- 51. Members' comments and enquiries on the replies from the EPD and FEHD were summarised as follows:
- (i) A Member thanked the FEHD for their reply but felt surprised that no strong odour was detected in the seven inspections by the EDP. The Member hoped that the EPD could handle the problem seriously and take active and effective measures, e.g. ask the management company of the piazza on their own initiative to submit reports to the EPD regularly and propose solutions within deadline. Otherwise, the department should take legal action;
- (ii) A Member said that as the EPD knew the source of the odour, they had the responsibility for the reduction of the captioned problem;
- (iii) A Member asked apart from the EPD officers who used sense of smell to decide on the odour, were there any other ways to identify it, e.g. gather ten citizens to identify the source of the odour; and
- (iv) A Member said that the advice from the EPD was not as effective as enforcement action. As the captioned problem affected all the residents in

the Tuen Mun East, she hoped that discussion about the matter concerned could be continued at the next meeting so that the EPD could provide explanations on the specific follow-up work.

- Mr YEUNG of the EPD said that during the seven inspections above, the department found several seconds of slight odour in four inspections while there was no odour detected in the remaining three inspections. In accordance with the Air Pollution Control Ordinance, there were some pre-requisites, e.g. when there was strong odour at the location concerned affecting the environment, etc., the EPD would issue a mandatory notification to request the people concerned to take action to reduce the odour. Therefore, as far as the current situation was concerned, the department had no sufficient legal justifications to enforce the ordinance concerned. Only through discussion, encouragement, advice and lobbying could the department continue to communicate with the management company of the piazza to follow up. He added that the management company of the piazza was preparing a tender document for the appointment of a consultant.
- 53. The Vice-chairman said he understood whether the odour was offensive was a subjective feeling and asked whether objective instruments could be used to measure the chemical substances or elements which could generate odd smell to identify the odour.
- Mr YEUNG of the EPD said that there might not be any relation between the concentration of a chemical substance or element and the odour it generated to be detected by people. Even if the concentration of the chemical in the air was lower than the level measurable by an instrument, it could still be detected by people's sense of smell alone. Moreover, there were many different chemical substances or elements in the air which might generate odour. The key to judge whether the odour was offensive did not lie on the concentration of the chemical substance in the air so it needed to be identified by people's sense of smell.
- 55. The Vice-chairman said that he understood the EPD had use different ways to handle the captioned problem at the present stage and hoped that the EPD would continue to follow up actively with Members after the meeting in order to improve the situation concerned.

(The Chairman resumed her chairmanship of the meeting at this moment.)

### IV. Reporting Items

## (A) Water Quality of Tuen Mun Beaches (EHDDC Paper No. 39/2019)

- Mr YEUNG of the EPD said that after last meeting, the department contacted the Marine Department on 27 May 2019 and hoped that the department could try to reduce the number of vessels which moored near the Castle Peak Bay so that the vessels would moor in the water course far away from the Castle Peak Bay. The vessels would also be reminded not to discharge sewage when they were moored near the Castle Peak Bay in order to improve the water quality of the Castle Peak Beach. The department received a reply from the Marine Department on 31 May 2019 saying that it had been a long history for local vessels to choose to moor at the Castle Peak Bay. In accordance with the current Marine Ordinance, it was not illegal for local vessels to choose to moor at the Castle Peak Bay so the department could not stop them. The Marine Department also said that the department repeatedly reminded vessels from time to time not to discharge sewage when they were moored near the Castle Peak Bay and the reminder of which was also been relayed to the Hong Kong & Kowloon Fishermen Association.
- 57. Members' comments and enquiries on the reply from the Marine Department were summarised as follows:
- (i) A Member said that although the Marine Department could not stop vessels mooring at the Castle Peak Bay, the department should work out rules to regulate the vessels which were moored there in order to improve the water quality of the Castle Peak Beach;
- (ii) A Member asked whether it was the scope of work of the Marine Department or the EPD to monitor the discharge (of black smoke, pollutants, etc) from vessels; and
- (iii) A Member enquired that apart from writing to the Marine Department and taking water sample regularly, what follow-up action did the EPD take? For example, whether they would take joint operation with the Marine Department to improve the water quality of the Castle Peak Beach. She said that a lack of management would only make the problem more serious.
- 58. Mr YEUNG of the EPD replied that the Air Pollution Control Ordinance provided that engines used in the propulsion of vessels were not governed by the Ordinance so the discharge from vessels was controlled by the Marine Department.

He said that although he could not reply to Members' enquiries on this matter, he believed that the Marine Department should have laws on the control of discharge from vessels. On the water quality handling, the department had dealt with the problem from the regional source. For example, the discharger should apply for a licence to discharge sewage to the sewerage designated by the department. Moreover, taking water samples could help the department to evaluate the effectiveness of the control measures that the department had taken so that the department could adjust the monitoring and control measures if needed. Recently, there had been bad water grading at the Castle Peak Bay and he believed that they were caused by isolated incidents and nothing dealt with accumulation of sewage after raining.

59. The Chairman concluded that the EHDDC showed great concern about the water quality at the Castle Peak Beach so he hoped to invite the Marine Department to attend the next meeting to follow up.

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60. Members noted the contents of the report.

(Post-meeting note: the Secretariat wrote to the Marine Department on 2 September 2019 and invited the department to send a representative to attend a meeting for discussion and reply to the reduction of the water quality problem at the Castle Peak Beach.)

## (B) Report of Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (EHDDC Paper No. 40/2019)

- 61. Members' comments and enquiries on the reply from the FEHD were summarised as follows:
- (i) A Member showed concern about the high ovitrap index in Tuen Mun (West) and hoped that the FEHD could step up anti-mosquito work in the area. She also suggested that the FEHD should hold discussion with the contractor about the use of more durable refuse collection trucks to avoid breakdown of the same truck three times in one month to reduce the impact on housing estates caused by the delay in the collection of refuse;
- (ii) A Member said that the FEHD took water samples for tests from fish tanks of the restaurants supplying sea food. He asked whether the tests included the bacteria content including E-coli. According to the current scope of tests, if the bacteria content exceeded the standard after tests on the water sample

taken, did it mean that the water quality would bring bacteria to the food and people would suffer cholera easily. He also asked whether the FEHD would step up tests on meat samples;

- (iii) A Member said that he knew different departments had stepped up anti-mosquito work but the ovitrap index was still high. He asked whether the mosquito problem was caused by structural problem;
- (iv) A Member asked whether low RIR (Rodent Infestation Rate) meant the actual situation of rodent problem was not reflected. As the FEHD had put resources on the anti-rodent work with little effect, he suggested that the FEHD should make a review to understand whether the speed of anti-rodent work failed to catch up with the rodent reproductive capacity thus affecting the effectiveness of anti-rodent work;
- (v) A Member asked whether there was a sign to show that there was an outbreak of human infection rat hepatis in the Tuen Mun community. As the FEHD could carry out anti-rodent work at the places under their purview but rats could move around, he queried about the effectiveness of anti-rodent work by the department in small areas. He hoped that the departments concerned could review the strategy of anti-rodent work from the district level and should not work on their own. On the proposals raised by the FEHD about the directions to eliminate rats with advanced technology and raise the sensitivity of RIR, he hoped that the department could provide the details concerned;
- (vi) On the refurbishment works for public toilets in villages, a Member asked whether the construction period of every public toilet could be shortened to six months. He also reminded the FEHD that some public toilets were completed 30 years ago so safety should be observed during the period of refurbishment; and
- (vii) A Member said that Members had suggested setting up an inter-department anti-rodent office and asked the FEHD to reply. Moreover, an eight-week anti-rodent operation targeted at small areas was mentioned in last meeting. As there was human infection rat hepatis, he asked the department whether there was any new arrangement of anti-rodent work apart from providing

explanations on anti-rodent work in small areas. He also said that apart from mosquito problem, midget problem in the Tuen Mun District was also worrying and hoped that the FEHD could follow up.

- 62. On the refurbishment works for public toilets in villages, Mr LEE of the FEHD replied that the ArchSD would re-build the public toilets concerned in villages with modern technology and materials. The FEHD would closely monitor the work progress of the ArchSD to try to shorten the time of refurbishment works. He said that the refurbishment works for four public toilets in villages would be carried out in this financial year while the refurbishment works for the other three public toilets in villages would be carried out in the next financial year.
- On the mosquito problem, Mr LEE of the FEHD said that the ovitrap index in Tuen Mun (West) in May was actually higher than the alert level of 20%. However, the latest data in early July showed that the ovitrap index in four areas in Tuen Mun had dropped to single digit. He also said that new ovitraps were used on trial basis in some districts. If the effectiveness was significant, he would actively fight for their use in the Tuen Mun District to increase the effectiveness of anti-mosquito and prevention work. Moreover, the department also showed concern about midget problem. Relatively speaking, however, as mosquitos are media of pathogens and spreading of infectious diseases, the department needed to put more resources on anti-mosquito work at the present stage so there was no task force arranged for anti-mosquito work.
- Mr LEE of the FEHD continued to say that the RIR in Tuen Mun District in the first half of 2019 was 1.8% while the one for the whole year last year was 2.1% so the RIR in the Tuen Mun District had a lower ranking among the districts in Hong Kong. As new technology would be introduced to monitor rodent problem in the Tuen Mun District, both new and old tools would be used at the time to monitor the effectiveness. The department would refer to the anti-rodent methods in Singapore and South Korea and introduce new technology to improve the effectiveness of anti-rodent work. Moreover, there were now six cases of human infected rat hepatis E and the patient of the latest case lived in Wong Tai Sin. The government has an inter-department Rodent Control Committee, which would hold meetings every two months to monitor the situation of human infected rat hepatis E. He said that he had not received any news on the formation of the inter-department Anti-rodent Office.
- 65. On water sample taking from fish tanks, Mr LEE of the FEHD replied that the

department took the samples concerned once every month and submitted them to the laboratory for vibrio cholerae, E-coli and the total amount of bacteria in them. If it was found that there was vibrio cholerae in the samples, the department would institute prosecutions in accordance with the law. The E-coli index was used to measure the cleanliness of water. He also said that the number of inspections of the shops selling fresh foodstuff and the tests of the food and meat concerned (e.g. raw fish) by the department was higher than sample taking from fish tanks.

66. Members noted the contents of the report.

## (C) Strategy and Work on Improvement of the Environment and Hygiene of Hong Kong by Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (EHDDC Paper No. 41/2019)

- 67. Mr LEE of the FEHD said that the captioned paper mainly reviewed the work of the department last year and provided explanations on the work strategy for this year.
- On the follow-up of the water seepage at buildings, a Member asked whether the FEHD put the problem-solving responsibility to the owners themselves. It could be seen from the number of complaints about water seepage at buildings provided by the FEHD that citizens showed great concern about the problem and felt helpless. However, in the captioned paper, the department failed to provide explanations on the increase of manpower for the Joint Office for Investigation of Water Seepage Complaints ("Joint Office") of the Buildings Department ("BD") and the FEHD. Neither did they put forward any new work target to respond to citizens' concern. She reckoned that the department had no progress on how to handle the problem concerned. She asked whether the FEHD had given up handling the problem concerned and hoped that the department would elaborate on the direction of the work concerned.
- 69. Mr LEE of the FEHD replied that after identifying the source of water seepage, the FEHD would issue an order and ask the owner to employ a plumber to take appropriate maintenance measures to solve the water seepage problem. It was not the department which would carry out the maintenance work concerned. According to the latest news, the authority concerned would re-organise the structure of the Joint Office and set up four regional Joint Offices. The NT West Regional Joint Office would be located at junction area of the Tuen Mun Road near Tsuen Wan. Officers of the FEHD and BD would work together in the new office for communication and enhancement of workflow. On the increase of manpower and use of new technology, there would be

provision of one Environmental Hygiene Superintendent and one Chief Health Inspector in the office. Moreover, microwave or infrared testing instruments would be introduced to raise efficiency and improve the follow-up of water seepage problems at buildings.

- 70. Members' comments and enquiries on the reply from the FEHD were summarised as follows:
- (i) A Member asked whether the new NT West Regional Joint Office could send an officer to attend the meeting of the EHDDC so that Members could monitor their work;
- (ii) A Member asked why it took eight months to complete the air-conditioner maintenance work in the San Hui Market and reckoned that the malfunction of air-conditioners had huge impact on the meat stalls in the market; and
- (iii) A Member hoped that the new NT West Regional Joint Office in the future could streamline the workflow and better use new microwave or infrared testing instruments to identify the source of seepage as soon as possible and shorten the time in handling water seepage cases at buildings.
- 71. Mr LEE of the FEHD said that the department had relayed to the authority concerned the hope that the new Joint Office could send a representative to attend the meeting of the EHDDC of the region concerned and regularly provide explanations to the public on the follow-up of water seepage at buildings. On the enhancement direction of workflow of the new Joint Office, he said that the headquarters of the FEHD had not provided detailed information on this so far. Upon receipt of the information concerned, he would provide explanations to Members at the meeting.
- 72. On the air-conditioner maintenance in the San Hui Market, Mr LEE of the FEHD said that there were three refrigerating air-conditioners in the San Hui Market with eleven air outlets. After knowing more about the case, the department found that the control panel which controlled the air-conditioners could not operate normally. It was not the hardware like the air-conditioners or the air outlets which malfunctioned. The department had tried to operate the control panel manually but the air-conditioners could not resume normal operation. Although there was provision for maintenance, it would take a long time for the EMSD to put it out for tender so the department had purchased large mobile conditioners to meet urgent needs. These mobile

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air-conditioners had good result after testing and they were placed near the market stalls affected.

- 73. Members noted the contents of the report.
- (D) <u>Anti-rodent Campaign 2019 in Tuen Mun District (Phase II)</u> (EHDDC Paper No. 42/2019)
- 74. Members noted the contents of the report.
- (E) <u>Progress Report of Local Public Works and Rural Public Works as at June</u> 2019 (EHDDC Paper No. 43/2019)
- 75. Members noted the contents of the report.
- (F) Reports of Working Groups under EHDDC (EHDDC Paper No. 44/2019)
- (i) Working Group on Tuen Mun Environmental Protection Activities
- 76. Members noted the contents of the report.
- (ii) Working Group on Markets and Illegal Hawking Activities
- 77. Members noted the contents of the report.
- (iii) Working Group on the Development and Complementary Facilities in Area 54
- 78. Members noted the contents of the report.
- 79. The EHDDC announced that the above three working group reports were endorsed.
- (G) Other Government Departments' Progress Reports as at 23 June 2019 (EHDDC Paper No. 45/2019)
- (i) DSD's Report on Progress of Works in Tuen Mun District
- 80. Members noted the contents of the report.
- (ii) Report on Environmental Monitoring of Mud Pit V
- 81. Members noted the contents of the report.
- (iii) Report on Water Seepage Problems at Buildings in Tuen Mun District
- 82. Members noted the contents of the report.

- (iv) Progress Report of Water Main Laying Works in Tuen Mun District
- A Member pointed out that there were two incidents of water pipe burst in Wu Chui Road since last meeting with one near Wu King Road and other in Mei Lok Lane. In 2017, there was also water pipe burst in the same section. At the time, the Water Supplies Department ("WSD") said that the water pipe concerned had been replaced so he wanted to know the exact location where the water pipe was replaced. Therefore, he suggested that the department would also provide explanations on the projects signed but not commenced in the captioned progress report to provide a forwarding looking information so that Members could know the plans of the department in advance. He also asked whether the department could provide a chart with different colour to show the water pipes that had been replaced or had not been replaced, and the new and old fresh water pipes and flush water pipes in the Tuen Mun District so that Members could clearly know the situation on the replacement of different water pipes.
- Mr LAU Yan-cheuk, Louis of the WSD replied that the captioned progress report had set out the projects in Wu Chui Road and Lung Mun Road and their completion dates. Wu Chui Road was involved with the laying works for a flush water pipe. It was now expected that it would be completed around March in the first quarter of 2020. On the water pipe laying works in one of the sections of Lung Mun Road, the bus stops needed to be relocated before the works could commence so the TD and the police requested the department to conduct road test first before deciding whether to commence the works. On the suggestion for the chart on fresh water pipes and flush water pipes, he said that he would relay Members' comments to the department. He was also pleased to discuss different proposals with Members after the meeting so that Members could know more about the situation concerned. He also pointed out that he was in charge of contract 3WSD17 only so he did not have the information of different works contracts in the whole Tuen Mun District.
- 85. Mr YIP Lam-fung of the WSD added that on the information of different works contracts in the whole Tuen Mun District including the construction time and areas covered of the projects in the future, he could provide explanations to Members at the next meeting.
- 86. Members noted the contents of the report.

- (v) <u>Grass-cutting and Insecticide Spraying Work on Government Land in Tuen</u>
  <u>Mun District</u>
- 87. Members noted the contents of the report.

## (H) <u>Air Quality Health Index of Tuen Mun Air Quality Monitoring Station</u> (EHDDC Paper No. 46/2019)

- 88. Members noted the contents of the report.
- (I) <u>Tai Shui Hang Water Quality Monitoring Records</u> (EHDDC Paper No. 47/2019)
- 89. Members noted the contents of the report.

### VI. <u>Date of Next Meeting</u>

90. There being no other business, the meeting was closed at 1:03 p.m. The next meeting would be held at 9:30 a.m. on 13 September 2019 (Friday).

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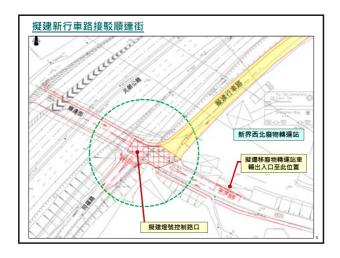


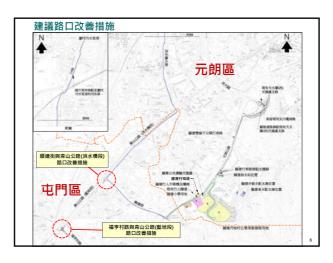
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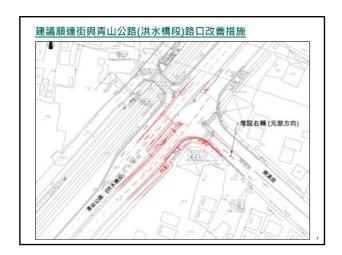




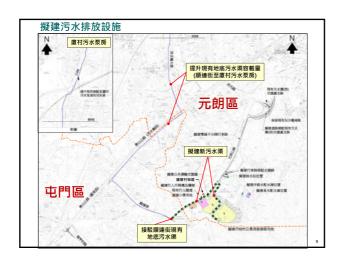












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### 下一步工作

- 政府會就擬建公共道路及排污設施工程‧諮詢屯門區議會。
- 計劃於2019年第三季·按相關條例刊登憲報以諮詢公眾。
- 待勘測和詳細設計完成後·計劃於2021年第一季 向立法會申請撥款。
- 獲得撥款批准後· 有關工地平整及基礎設施工程 預計在2021年第二至第三季動工· 並預計於2024 年至2027年分階段完成。

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