

Minutes of the 3rd Meeting of
the Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee (2024-2027) of
the Tuen Mun District Council

Date : 28 May 2024 (Tuesday)

Time : 2:30 p.m.

Venue : Tuen Mun District Council (TMDC) Conference Room

Present

Mr MO Shing-fung (Chairman)	TMDC Member
Mr FUNG Pui-yin (Vice Chairman)	TMDC Member
Mr TSUI Fan, MH	TMDC Member
Mr WAN Tin-chong, MH	TMDC Member
Mr KAM Man-fung	TMDC Member
Mr LI Chiu-hung	TMDC Member
Mr LAM Tik-fai	TMDC Member
Ms CHAN Mang-yi, Vincci	TMDC Member
Mr CHAN Ho-ting, Mac	TMDC Member
Mr CHAN Tsim-heng	TMDC Member
Ms MAK Mei-yee, Pamela	TMDC Member
Mr CHUI King-hang	TMDC Member
Mr TSANG Hing-chung	TMDC Member
Mr YIP Kat-kong, Kenneth	TMDC Member
Mr TSOI Shing-hin	TMDC Member
Ms TSE Yuk-ling	TMDC Member
Mr KWONG Man-tik	TMDC Member
Ms YU Cheuk-ling, Katherine (Secretary)	Executive Officer (District Council)3, Tuen Mun District Office, Home Affairs Department

In Attendance

Ms CHAN Yin-ling, Cannes	Senior Liaison Officer (3), Tuen Mun District Office, Home Affairs Department
Mr LAM Lok-hang, Kelvin	Liaison Officer i/c (District Facilities), Tuen Mun District Office, Home Affairs Department
Mr CHENG Hon-fai	Senior School Development Officer (TM)1, Education Bureau
Ms LEUNG Fung-shan, Alice	Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) Tuen Mun, Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Ms NG Wing-tung, Chris	Assistant District Leisure Manager (District Support) Tuen Mun, Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Ms LEE Wing-yee

Miss CHEUNG Yuet-ming

Manager (New Territories West) Marketing & District
Activities, Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Senior Librarian (Tuen Mun),
Leisure and Cultural Services Department

I. Opening Remarks

The Chairman welcomed all to the 3rd meeting of the Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee (2024-2027) (CICRC).

2. The Chairman asked Members to note that those who were aware of their personal interests in any matters discussed at the meeting should declare the interests before the discussion. He would, in accordance with Order 22(4) of the Tuen Mun District Council Standing Orders (Standing Orders), decide whether the Members who had declared interests might speak or vote on the matters, might remain at the meeting as observers, 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

3. The Secretary reported that no applications for leave of absence had been received from Members.

III. Confirmation of the Minutes of the Last Meeting

4. As Members proposed no amendments to the minutes of the last meeting, the Chairman announced that the minutes of the 2nd meeting of the CICRC (2024-2027) were confirmed.

IV. Discussion Item

(A) Large-Scale Festive Displays and Lighting Decorations in Tuen Mun District 2024
(CICRC Paper No. 8/2024)

5. Mr Kelvin LAM of the Tuen Mun District Office (TMDO) briefed on the content of the paper.

6. Members raised various opinions and enquiries regarding the captioned works project, summarised as follows:

- (a) Members suggested installing neon lights by making reference to the “Vespere Tuen Mun” event;
- (b) Members enquired about the differences and similarities of this year’s lighting decorations in comparison to those in the past, last year’s budget, and the feasibility of installing lightings in the fountain;
- (c) Members suggested installing festive lightings with local characteristics of Tuen Mun to attract visitors to take photos; and

- (d) Members enquired whether the lighting exhibition would be extended to other festive days.
7. Mr Kelvin LAM of the TMDO gave a consolidated response as follows:
- (a) The TMDC installed festive lightings at the Tuen Mun Road Bus-Bus Interchange last year, but only received moderate response, possibly because citizens did not stay there for a long time to appreciate the lightings;
 - (b) Regarding the suggestion to install lightings in the fountain, as it involved relatively complex water and power supplies arrangements, the TMDO needed to first discuss with the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD);
 - (c) A funding of \$1.2 million was earmarked last year for large-scale festive displays and lighting decorations; and
 - (d) The installation of lighting decorations for celebration events such as those for the Anniversary of the Establishment of the HKSAR and the National Day would be depended on the time needed for conducting tendering exercise. It was currently estimated that the tendering exercise could not be completed by July. In the past years, other district organisations also put up lighting decorations at locations with high pedestrian flow in the district during the National Day, which might cause overlapping of locations.
8. Members put forward a second round of opinions, summarised as follows:
- (a) Members suggested making reference to other districts and expanding the areas for lighting decorations, so as to enhance citizens' experience of the festive atmosphere;
 - (b) Member suggested setting up featured lighting installations to boost local economy;
 - (c) Members enquired about the criteria for deciding the lighting-up time and the plans for lighting decorations in other festivals in the district; and
 - (d) Members suggested making reference to lighting decorations in other districts, such as providing lightings with changing colours, setting up large-

scale featured installations, and using ornaments that could match the overall surrounding environment, so as to attract visitors.

9. Mr Kelvin LAM of the TMDO gave a consolidated response as follows:
 - (a) The TMDO noted Members' opinions of installing lighting decorations with local characteristics of Tuen Mun and would specify such requirement in the tendering exercise;
 - (b) The lighting-up time was decided based on previous arrangements, and the public's need for photo taking as well as the impact on nearby residents had been taken into account;
 - (c) Regarding detailed suggestions for setting up large-scale displays, the TMDO would consult relevant departments on the location, structure and other aspects; and
 - (d) The Tuen Mun Committee for National Day Celebration considered setting up lighting decorations at Tuen Mun Cultural Square during the National Day.
10. Members put forward a third round of opinions, summarised as follows:
 - (a) Members suggested cooperating with nearby shopping malls to set up photo-taking spots featuring cartoon characters, so as to attract visitors;
 - (b) Members suggested incorporating creative and interactive elements to engage the public; and
 - (c) Members suggested setting up installations with which citizens could take photos in both daytime and nighttime.
11. Mr Kelvin LAM of the TMDO gave a consolidated response as follows:
 - (a) The photos in the paper were for reference only, and Members were welcome to give views on the design and theme of installations for this year;
 - (b) The TMDC had invited shopping malls near the town centre to put up Christmas lighting decorations to complement the TMDC's large-scale festive displays and lighting decorations in the past, and Members could consider making similar arrangements this year; and

- (c) Based on the current year's tendering timetable, it would be difficult to set up lighting decorations by the Mid-Autumn Festival.

12. The Chairman concluded by asking the TMDO to note Members' opinions and set up festive lighting decorations with local characteristics of Tuen Mun, so as to echo the "Vespere Tuen Mun" event held earlier.

13. The CICRC would organise "Large-Scale Festive Displays and Lighting Decorations in Tuen Mun District 2024-25" jointly with the TMDO through the newly-established "Working Group on Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation", and would seek an allocation of \$1 million under the Community Involvement Fund from the TMDO.

[Post-meeting note: The TMDO had increased the allocation from \$1 million to \$1.2 million under the Community Involvement Fund, which was earmarked for the CICRC to organise "Large-Scale Festive Displays and Lighting Decorations in Tuen Mun District 2024-25".]

**(B) Activity Programme 2024
(CICRC Paper No. 9/2024)**

14. Mr Kelvin LAM of the TMDO briefed on the content of the paper.

15. Members expressed opinions on the activity programme, summarised as follows:

- (a) Members suggested adding a new recreation and sports programme, namely "Sport for All Challenge", which included organising booth activities relating to sports for participation by families in the district; and
- (b) Members noted that currently recreation and sports programmes were mainly held in the Siu Lun area, and suggested that such programmes be held in other locations in Tuen Mun.

16. The Chairman remarked that given the pressing schedule, he suggested Members first advise on "Tuen Mun District Variety Show in Celebration of the 75th Anniversary of the Founding of the People's Republic of China" in this meeting for the TMDO to follow up.

17. Members raised various opinions and enquiries regarding the organisation of "Tuen Mun District Variety Show in Celebration of the 75th Anniversary of the Founding of the People's Republic of China", summarised as follows:

- (a) Members enquired about the details of organising last year's variety show in celebration of the National Day, the time of this year's variety show, and the ticket distribution arrangement;
- (b) Members suggested inviting primary and secondary schools in the district to take part in the performances, thereby providing a platform for youths to bring their talents into full play and promoting performances with district characteristics;
- (c) Members suggested inviting well-known artists who were attractive to young people to perform in the show;
- (d) Members suggested live-streaming the variety show on the Internet and the screen outside the Tuen Mun Government Offices, as well as organising activities at Tuen Mun Cultural Square to tie in with the National Day celebration activities; and
- (e) Members suggested including performances with Chinese elements at the beginning of the show to enliven the atmosphere.

18. Mr Kelvin LAM of the TMDO gave a consolidated response as follows:

- (a) Last year's variety show in celebration of the National Day was held at the Tuen Mun Town Hall Auditorium in June, with programmes including Chinese music performance, folk dance performance, and singing by well-known artists;
- (b) Last year's variety show started after 7:00 p.m. The TMDO had contacted the LCSD for booking of the Tuen Mun Town Hall Auditorium on 16 October 2024, and would further enquire the LCSD about the possibility of reserving Saturday/Sunday sessions of the venue;
- (c) The TMDO noted Members' opinions, which would be included in the invitation for the event co-organisers for their consideration; and
- (d) Members were welcome to advise on the ticket distribution arrangement.

19. Mr Kelvin LAM of the TMDO continued that an allocation of \$2.06 million under the Community Involvement Fund had been earmarked for the CICRC to organise activities in the current year, and \$500,000 was suggested to set aside for organising the variety show in celebration of the National Day.

20. The CICRC resolved to organise the six activities suggested in the paper and one newly-added recreation and sports programme, namely “Sport for All Challenge”, and set aside \$500,000 to organise “Tuen Mun District Variety Show in Celebration of the 75th Anniversary of the Founding of the People’s Republic of China”.

[Post-meeting note: The TMDO had increased the earmarked allocations under the Community Involvement Fund from \$2.06 million to \$2.16 million for the CICRC to organise activities, and from \$500,000 to \$600,000 for the CICRC to organise “Tuen Mun District Variety Show in Celebration of the 75th Anniversary of the Founding of the People’s Republic of China”.]

(C) Establishment of the Working Group under the Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee (2024-2027)
(CICRC Paper No. 10/2024)

21. The CICRC noted the arrangement for establishing the Working Group on Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation.

22. The Chairman said that upon its establishment, the working group would assist the CICRC and the TMDO in carrying out the works of large-scale festive displays and lighting decorations, and would follow up on the co-organisation of activities with partnering organisations.

[Post-meeting note: The TMDC Chairman appointed Mr LI Chiu-hung as the chairman of the working group in accordance with Order 87(1) of the Standing Orders after the meeting.]

(D) Inviting Tuen Mun District Council to be the Supporting Organisation for “Sport For All Day 2024”
(CICRC Paper No. 11/2024)

23. The Chairman said that the LCSD invited the TMDC to be the supporting organisation for “Sport for All Day 2024” to assist in promoting and publicising the event in the district.

24. The CICRC accepted the invitation, and the Chairman asked the Secretariat to reply to the LCSD and follow up on the matter.

[Post-meeting note: The Secretariat replied to the LCSD on 30 May 2024.]

V. Any Other Business and Date of Next Meeting

25. The Chairman asked the representatives of the LCSD to brief on the performance of the Tuen Mun District in the 9th Hong Kong Games (HKG).

26. Ms Alice LEUNG of the LCSD said that the Tuen Mun District performed brilliantly in the 9th HKG. As of the day of the meeting, the Tuen Mun District clinched 20 gold, 15 silver, and 21 bronze medals. With the 9th HKG coming to an end, the remaining events participated by the Tuen Mun District included swimming competitions on 1 and 2 June as well as six badminton competitions in these two days. She welcomed Members to attend to cheer on the athletes from the Tuen Mun District.

27. There being no other business, the Chairman announced that the meeting closed at 3:26 p.m. The next meeting would be held on 30 July 2024 (Tuesday) at 2:30 p.m.

Tuen Mun District Council Secretariat

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