

Minutes of the 6th Meeting in 2025
of the Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee
of Tai Po District Council

Date: 6 November 2025 (Thursday)
Time: 9:30 a.m. – 10:42 a.m.
Venue: Conference Room, Tai Po District Council (“TPDC”)

<u>Present</u>	<u>Time of Arrival</u>	<u>Time of Withdrawal</u>
<u>Chairman</u>		
Mr. CHAN Cho-leung, MH, JP	Beginning of the meeting	End of the meeting
<u>Vice-chairman</u>		
Ms. LEE Sai-yin, Jeanne, BBS, JP	Beginning of the meeting	End of the meeting
<u>Members</u>		
Mr. LEE Man-kit	Beginning of the meeting	End of the meeting
Mr. YU Chi-wing, MH	Beginning of the meeting	End of the meeting
Mr. LI Wah-kwong, Rex, MH	Beginning of the meeting	End of the meeting
Mr. LEE Hon-cheung	Beginning of the meeting	End of the meeting
Mr. LAM Yick-kuen, MH	Beginning of the meeting	End of the meeting
Mr. WU Cheuk-him	Beginning of the meeting	End of the meeting
Mr. CHAN Tsz-kin	Beginning of the meeting	End of the meeting
Ms. CHAN Kin-kwan	Beginning of the meeting	End of the meeting
Mr. CHAN Yung-wa	Beginning of the meeting	End of the meeting
Mr. CHAN Siu-kuen, MH, JP	Beginning of the meeting	End of the meeting
Mr. MUI Siu-fung	Beginning of the meeting	End of the meeting
Mr. MAK Shing-ho, Gary	Beginning of the meeting	End of the meeting
Mr. WAN Koon-kau	Beginning of the meeting	End of the meeting
Mr. WONG Wai-tung	Beginning of the meeting	End of the meeting
Ms. WONG Pik-kiu, SBS, MH, JP	Beginning of the meeting	End of the meeting
Mr. LO Hiu-fung, MH	Beginning of the meeting	End of the meeting
Mr. YIP Yan	Beginning of the meeting	End of the meeting
Mr. CHENG Sze-wang	Beginning of the meeting	End of the meeting
<u>Secretary</u>		
Miss CHAN Yin-ning, Elaine Executive Officer (District Council) 1 / Tai Po District Office (“TPDO”) / Home Affairs Department (“HAD”)	Beginning of the meeting	End of the meeting

In Attendance

Mr. FUNG Hon-wa, Harris	District Leisure Manager (Tai Po) / Leisure and Cultural Services Department (“LCSD”)
Ms. CHAN Wing-ye, Pion	Deputy District Leisure Manager (District Support) Tai Po / LCSD
Ms. OR Hiu-man, Stella	Senior Manager (New Territories East) Promotion / LCSD
Ms. YAU Becky	Assistant Manager (New Territories East) Marketing & District Activities 2 / LCSD
Miss LEE Mei-ye, May	Senior Librarian (Tai Po) / LCSD
Ms. HUEN Lai-yan, Sara	Senior Executive Officer (District Council) / TPDO / HAD
Ms. WONG Sze-man, Queenie	Senior Liaison Officer (2) / TPDO / HAD

Opening Remarks

The Chairman welcomed participants to the 6th meeting in 2025 of the Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee (“CCRC”), and Ms. YAU Becky, Assistant Manager (New Territories East) Marketing & District Activities 2 of LCSD, to be in attendance of the meeting.

I. Confirmation of the minutes of the 5th meeting in 2025 of the CCRC on 9 October 2025

2. The Chairman reported that as the Secretariat did not receive any proposed amendments prior to the meeting, and no Members on the floor had put forward any amendments, the captioned minutes therefore were confirmed.

II. Tai Po District Office – Half-yearly report on initiatives under the Community Involvement Programme (from April to September 2025)

(TPDC Paper No. CCR 9/2025)

3. The representative of TPDO went through the captioned paper.

4. Members’ comments were as follows:

- (i) It was suggested that the event rundown be optimised when holding the next fireworks display.
- (ii) It was hoped that the TPDO would continue to hold large-scale events in celebration of the Reunification of Hong Kong or the National Day in future.

- (iii) It was suggested that, by drawing reference to the “National Day Carnival and Clansmen Bazaar” (國慶嘉年華暨同鄉市集)(“National Day Bazaar”) event, discussions on the relocation of the venue for the Lunar New Year Fair (“LNY Fair”) to Plover Cove Road Mini-Soccer Pitch (“PCRMSP”) be continued next year.
- (iv) It was suggested that the continuity of an event be enhanced by staging a permanent display of competition entries at government premises within the district, thereby fostering an artistic atmosphere and strengthening community cohesion.
- (v) They thanked the TPDO for co-organising a series of events in celebration of the 76th Anniversary of the Founding of the People’s Republic of China with various local groups.
- (vi) It was suggested that the TPDO improve the audio system when holding the Lam Tsuen River Water Stage Performance again and provide additional clear signage to facilitate performers’ access to the stage.
- (vii) It was suggested that the TPDO indicate in its promotional materials that PCRMSP was located near the Tai Po Tung Cheong Street Leisure Building.
- (viii) It was suggested that the arrangement of stall locations at the National Day Bazaar be optimised to guide and drive overall people flow.
- (ix) It was suggested that consideration be given to hosting large-scale district events and the LNY Fair at PCRMSP.
- (x) It was suggested that the national flag and regional flag be displayed at Tai Wo Neighbourhood Community Centre to enhance the festive atmosphere in celebration of the Reunification of Hong Kong and the National Day.
- (xi) It was suggested that winning entries of creative competitions be displayed on the exterior walls of Tai Po Complex.
- (xii) It was suggested that the TPDO review the location of the Lam Tsuen River water stage to provide clearer sightlines for a greater number of spectators.
- (xiii) It was hoped that the relevant departments would resolve the power supply issue at PCRMSP so as to increase the number of stalls at the LNY Fair.
- (xiv) It was suggested that publicity for the award ceremony of “Tai Po, North and Sha Tin Lucky Draw in Celebration of National Day” (“Lucky Draw”) be strengthened.
- (xv) It was suggested that consideration be given to holding a long-distance running race in the district, enabling participants to run into the community and learn about Tai Po’s historical elements.
- (xvi) They commended the TPDO for consistently organising innovative National Day activities and continuous improvement in the preparatory work. It was hoped that

more spectacular activities would be held in the future.

- (xvii) The asked about the specific methodology used by the TPDO in calculating the number of participants in the event.
- (xviii) It was suggested that the TPDO review the people flow data and schedule performances to be held during peak visitor periods.
- (xix) It was suggested adding performances or film screenings to the National Day Bazaar to attract more people flow.
- (xx) It was suggested that changes be made to hold the Lucky Draw award ceremony at Tai Po Lung Mei Beachtival.
- (xxi) It was suggested that, drawing reference to the National Day Bazaar, the venue of LNY Fair be moved to PCRMSp, and that the venue be used in an effective way to centrally organise National Day activities.
- (xxii) It was suggested that the LCSD consider identifying a suitable location at PCRMSp for the installation of flagstaffs to facilitate future flag-raising ceremonies.
- (xxiii) It was suggested that the award ceremony be co-organised with the sponsors of the Lucky Draw to enhance promotional effect.
- (xxiv) It was suggested that the LCSD reserve facilities at Tai Po Civic Centre (“TPCC”) for local groups to stage cultural performances or film screenings.
- (xxv) It was suggested that the TPDO commence promoting the event well in advance to increase attendance.
- (xxvi) It was hoped that greater publicity would be given to the Tin Hau Festival Procession to create a distinctive event for Tai Po.

5. The representative of TPDO responded as follows:

- (i) The TPDO had taken note of Members’ views and would relay them to the relevant sections. It also thanked all parties for their support in ensuring the smooth running of major events.
- (ii) The attendance figures for the “Tai Po Lam Tsuen River Water Stage Performance and Fireworks Show” represented on-site statistics. The TPDO would consider Members’ views to incorporate data from other viewing locations into the statistics.
- (iii) The TPDO would, when referring to PCRMSp in future promotional materials, include the description “adjacent to Tung Cheong Street Community Hall” for identification purposes.
- (iv) The TPDO would consider holding various types of events at PCRMSp.

- (v) The TPDO would discuss arrangements for the Lucky Draw award ceremony with the North District and Sha Tin District Offices.
- (vi) The Tin Hau Festival Procession attracted up to 8 000 participants. The TPDO expressed gratitude to all units involved in organising the said event.

6. The Chairman's comments were as follows:

- (i) He thanked the TPDO and all departments concerned for their efforts in ensuring the smooth running of the event.
- (ii) The suggestion for relocating the venue of the LNY Fair to PCRMSP would be referred to the District Facilities and Works Committee for follow-up.
- (iii) He requested the LCSD to explore the feasibility of installing flagstaffs at PCRMSP.
- (iv) He requested the TPDO to consider displaying the artworks collected from various activities at suitable venues.

III. Leisure and Cultural Services Department – Report on the reopening of Tai Po Civic Centre

7. The representative of LCSD reported as follows:

- (i) The main facilities of TPCC (including the Auditorium, Black Box Theatre (“BBT”), and Foyer Exhibition Area) were progressing according to the project schedule. The BBT works had been preliminarily completed, with defect rectification and stage equipment tests currently underway. The Auditorium would undergo a series of stage equipment tests following completion of works and installation of stage equipment. TPCC was expected for full opening by the end of December 2025.
- (ii) The department would hold an Open Day on 10 January 2026 to mark the full opening of TPCC. Details of the event would be sent to Members through the Secretariat, and Members were cordially invited to attend the event.

8. CCRC noted the above report.

IV. **Leisure and Cultural Services Department – Report on the overview of community activities held between April and September 2025, participation in community activities held between September and October 2025, and proposed community activities to be held in November and December 2025 in Tai Po District**
(TPDC Paper No. CCR 10/2025)

9. The representative of LCSD reported on Appendix I to the captioned paper, which outlined an overview of the recreation and sports activities organised between April and September 2025, and provided the details as follows:

- (i) To dovetail with the 15th National Games of the People’s Republic of China to be held from 9 to 21 November, and the 12th National Games for Persons with Disabilities and the 9th National Special Olympic Games to be held from 8 to 15 December, the department would set up Focal Sites at designated sports centres in 18 districts across the territory, broadcasting the relevant events under the slogan “Coalescing together for the National Games”.
- (ii) Tai Po Hui Sports Centre would broadcast the events from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. on the said dates. Admission was free of charge. Members and the public were welcome to attend to watch the competitions and cheer for the athletes.

10. The representative of LCSD reported on Appendix II to the captioned paper, outlining the attendance report of cultural programmes held and sponsored by the department in Tai Po District between September and October 2025, proposed activities to be held in November and December 2025, and the half-yearly report on initiatives under the Community Involvement Programme, with “18dART – Community Arts Scheme” in Tai Po held from April to September 2025, details of which were set out in Annexes I, II and III respectively for Members’ reference.

11. The representative of LCSD reported in connection with Appendix III to the captioned paper that Annexes I and II set out the attendance at extension activities of Tai Po Public Library and the utilisation of libraries in September and October 2025 respectively, Annex III set out the extension activities proposed to be held in November and December 2025, and Annex IV set out the extension activities held between April and September 2025 for Members’ reference.

12. A Member inquired about the progress of establishing a mobile library van at Fu Tip Estate.

13. The representative of LCSD responded that the matter was currently awaiting the completion of electrical box and notice board installation works by the Housing Department and its estate office, after which follow-up actions would be undertaken.

14. CCRC noted the above report.

V. **Education Bureau – Report on the education matters in Tai Po District**

(TPDC Paper No. CCR 11/2025)

15. The Chairman referred Members to the captioned paper.

16. A Member indicated that information on vacancy situations in public secondary school places across districts was currently available on the Education Bureau’s website, and the website address could be provided to Members for reference.

17. CCRC noted the above report.

VI. **Any other business**

18. The Chairman stated that the Secretariat had earlier collected the drawings from primary and secondary school pupils in the district through their respective schools. The Chairman and Vice-chairman would select suitable pieces for inclusion in the calendar illustrations. Members were welcome to offer their comments on the drawings.

19. Members’ comments were as follows:

- (i) It was suggested that brief descriptions be added to the calendar to present the themes of the drawings.
- (ii) It was suggested that the theme of Tin Hau Festival Procession be named “Tin Hau Birthday Grand Procession” to clearly convey the activities encompassed within the theme.
- (iii) It was suggested that consideration be given to swapping the Lung Mei Beach drawing for December with the Railway Museum drawing for August, so as to better align with the characteristics of summer activities.

20. The Chairman responded as follows:

- (i) As the theme for December was Tai Po Lung Mei Beachtival, most of the drawings collected were related to Tai Po Lung Mei Beach. Consideration might be given to reviewing with the Secretariat the addition of annotations at suitable spots.
- (ii) He understood that most people already had calendars for the coming year, so the print run would be adjusted according to actual circumstances.

21. Members raised no other business.

VII. Date of next meeting

22. The next meeting was scheduled to be held at 9:30 a.m. on 8 January 2026 (Thursday).

23. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

Tai Po District Council Secretariat
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