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Minutes of the 14th Meeting of
Social Services and Community Information Committee (6/17-18)

Date : 9 March 2018
Time : 2:30 p.m.
Venue : Main Conference Room, Tsuen Wan District Office

Present:

Members

Mr MAN Yu-ming, MH (Chairman)
Ms LAM Yuen-pun, Phyllis (Vice Chairman)
Mr KOO Yeung-pong, MH
Mr WONG Ka-wa
Mr WONG Wai-kit
Mr KOT Siu-yuen
Mr CHENG Chit-pun
Mr LO Siu-kit, MH

Co-opted Member

Ms LAW Ka-tun

Government Representatives

Ms LEE Lai-kiu, Winnie	Senior Liaison Officer (2), Tsuen Wan District Office
Ms LUI Ka-wing	Assistant District Social Welfare Officer (TW/KwT)3, Social Welfare Department
Miss LAM Shuk-fan, Janice	Senior School Development Officer (TW)1, Education Bureau
Ms IP Sau-hing, Rita	Senior Community Relations Officer, Independent Commission Against Corruption

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Representatives

Miss LAM Siu-yung, Daisy	Senior Executive Officer (District Council), Tsuen Wan District Office
Mr WAN Chun-hei, Leo (Secretary)	Executive Officer (District Council)3, Tsuen Wan District Office

Absent:

Members

Mr CHAN Chun-chung, Jones
Mr CHAN Sung-ip, MH
Mr CHOW Ping-tim
Mr LI Hung-por

The Meeting

I Opening Remarks and Introduction

The Chairman welcomed the Members and representatives from government departments the 14th meeting of the Social Services and Community Information Committee (SSCIC).

2. The Chairman reported that Mr CHAN Sung-ip, Mr CHOW Ping-tim and Mr LI Hung-por were absent with apologies.

3. The Chairman reminded Members that according to section 28 of the Tsuen Wan District Council Standing Orders, unless otherwise agreed by the Chairman, each Member could speak and make supplementary remarks once for each agenda item at the meeting. Each Member could speak up to three minutes each time.

II Item 1: Confirmation of Minutes of the Meeting held on 12.1.2018

4. The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously confirmed by Members without amendment.

III Item 2: Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

5. The Chairman said that there were no matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.

IV Item 3: Work Progress Report of various Working Groups under the Committee

(A) Working Group on Integrated Community Services

6. The Vice Chairman reported that a total of 28 activities on youth, education, community promotion, women matters and community hall were organised by the Working Group for the current year. All the activities concluded successfully.

(B) Working Group on Age-friendly Community and Rehabilitation

7. Mr WONG Wai-kit reported that the “Cantonese Operatic Songs Concert” co-organised by the Working Group and Tsuen Wan District Elderly Welfare Association was successfully held on 26 February 2018. Moreover, a total of 17 elderly and rehabilitation activities were organised by the Working Group for the current year. All the activities concluded successfully.

8. The views, enquiries and suggestions of Members were summarised as follows:

- (1) some parents’ associations of mentally handicapped persons relayed to him that they were readily available to provide assistance. He hoped that these associations would be invited by the relevant Working Group for co-organising activities next year (Mr WONG Ka-wa); and
- (2) he enquired about the details of the aforesaid 17 activities of the Working Group on Age-friendly Community and Rehabilitation (Mr LO Siu-kit).

9. Mr WONG Wai-kit stated that the organisations in Tsuen Wan could indicate the intention to co-organise activities with the relevant Working Groups under the Tsuen

Wan District Council (TWDC) when the relevant Working Groups discussed the financial arrangements for the next financial year. Besides, the Working Group on Age-friendly Community and Rehabilitation would invite the rehabilitation units in Tsuen Wan to attend a briefing at the beginning of each financial year, in order to collect the views from various rehabilitation units on the intention to apply for the District Council (DC) funds. The rehabilitation units which were interested in applying for DC funds were welcome to communicate with the Working Group on Age-friendly Community and Rehabilitation.

10. The Secretary stated that the details of the aforesaid activities were set out in the relevant discussion papers of the SSCIC.

(Note: Mr WONG Ka-wa left the meeting at 2:42 p.m.)

11. Mr KOO Yeung-pong said that he welcomed more organisations to participate in co-organising the activities. However, he hoped that the organisations would understand that they were required to make advance payments for half of the activity expenses when co-organising the activities. Besides, it would take time for the TWDC to handle the applications for reimbursement. Hence, he opined that apart from considering the intention of the organisations in making applications for DC funds, Members should take into account the manpower arrangement and financial capability of the organisations.

12. The Chairman said he noticed that the district organisations were not keen to make applications for DC funds partly because of the need to make advance payments and partly because of the complicated administrative procedures for the smaller and inexperienced organisations which applied for a small amount of DC funds. Hence, he hoped that the SSCIC would enhance communication with the district organisations when stipulating the guidelines. He also hoped that the Secretariat would provide assistance for the district organisations as far as possible. Moreover, he learnt that the Working Groups had openly invited the organisations to take part in the work of the TWDC. He welcomed the district organisations to submit applications for DC funds and support the work of the TWDC.

(Note: Mr CHENG Chit-pun joined the meeting at 2:43 p.m.)

V Item 4: Any Other Business

13. Members noted the contents of the following information papers:

- (1) Dates of Meetings of Social Services and Community Information Committee between May 2018 and March 2019 (SSCIC Paper No. 24/17-18); and
- (2) Financial Statement of the Funds Allocated to Social Services and Community Information Committee as at 22 February 2018 (SSCIC Paper No. 25/17-18).

14. The Chairman reminded Members that the next meeting was scheduled for 11

May 2018 and the deadline for submission of paper was 25 April 2018.

VI Adjournment of Meeting

15. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

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