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Minutes of the 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting of  
Recreation, Sports, Arts and Culture For All Committee (4/20-21)

Date: 29 October 2020

Time: 2:32 p.m.

Venue: Main Conference Room, Tsuen Wan District Office

Present:

Members

Mr LAI Man-fai (Chairman)

Mr LAU Cheuk-yu (Vice Chairman)

Mr LI Hung-por

Mr YICK Shing-chung, Angus

Mr LAM Sek-tim

Mr LUK Ling-chung, Antonio

Mr WONG Ka-wa

Mr KOT Siu-yuen, MH

Mr CHIU Yan-loy

Mr LAU Chi-hung

Mr PUN Long-chung, Roy

Mr LAU Jackson

Mr TSE Man-chak

Mr TAM Hoi-pong

Government Representatives

Ms WONG Fan-ni, Jasmine

Senior Manager (New Territories South)  
Promotion, Leisure and Cultural Services  
Department

Ms SIU Yuen-ching, Sara

Deputy District Leisure Manager(Tsuen Wan)1,  
Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Ms LEE Yuen-ye, Linda

Social Work Officer 3 (Planning &  
Coordinating), Social Welfare Department

Ms LIU Wing-ki, Katrina

School Development Officer (Tsuen Wan)2,  
Education Bureau

Ms CHAN Tsz-ye, Emily

Senior Liaison Officer (1), Tsuen Wan District  
Office

Tsuen Wan District Council Secretariat Representatives

Miss LAM Siu-yung, Daisy

Senior Executive Officer (District Council),  
Tsuen Wan District Office

Mr SIU Chung-sing, Johnson

Executive Officer (District Council)1, Tsuen  
Wan District Office

Miss WONG Hoi-kiu, Hosanna  
(Secretary)

Executive Officer (District Council)2, Tsuen  
Wan District Office

In attendance:

Mr CHAN Yuen-sum, Sumly

Chairman, Tsuen Wan District Council

Absent:

Member

Mr YAU Kam-ping, BBS, MH

The Meeting

I Opening Remarks and Introduction

The Chairman welcomed the Members and representatives from the government departments to the 6<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Recreation, Sports, Arts and Culture For All Committee (RSACFAC).

2. The Chairman said that for Members' information, Mr YAU Kam-ping was absent with apologies.

3. The Chairman asked Members to speak concisely so as to ensure the meeting could be finished within the time specified in view of the epidemic. To this end, Members who introduced the paper might speak up to 2 minutes and each Member who submitted the paper might make supplementary remarks once. The Member might choose to speak up to 2 minutes after the responses from the representative(s) from government department(s) or make concluding remarks before the discussion of the agenda item ended. Except for the Member(s) who submitted the paper, each Member might speak only once for each agenda item in the meeting. The Chairman would confirm the number of Members who would speak before discussion. Each Member might speak up to 2 minutes if five or fewer Members spoke for the agenda item and up to 1.5 minutes if more than five Members spoke for the agenda item. The representatives from government departments might speak up to 2 minutes twice.

II Item 1: Confirmation of Minutes of the 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 10.09.2020

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

(A) Paragraph 24 to 29 of the Minutes of the Meeting held on 10 September 2020:  
Request for Discussion on Promoting e-Sports Culture in Tsuen Wan District

5. The Chairman said that Mr LAM Sek-tim submitted the paper. Besides, the written reply of the Innovation and Technology Bureau (ITB) was tabled at the meeting.

(Note: Mr WONG Ka-wa and Mr TAM Hoi-pong joined the meeting at 2:33 p.m.)

6. The views and enquiries of Members were summarised as follows:
- (1) he pointed out that the written reply of the ITB was the same as the one it had submitted at the previous meeting. The ITB misinterpreted the content of the paper as concern over the operation of Internet cafes, which was far from the theme of the paper (Mr LAU Jackson);
  - (2) he was disappointed with the written reply of the ITB and pointed out that his intention of submitting the paper was that electronic sports (e-sports) culture would be promoted in Tsuen Wan district. E-sports was different from the “playing of computer games” in that it could boost its associated industries as well as the overall economic development, provided that it could develop in a sustainable manner. He hoped that Tsuen Wan district would take the lead in promoting the development of e-sports in Hong Kong and that, through publicity by the RSACFAC, residents in the district could discover e-sports culture from a new perspective and their impression of e-sports would be corrected (Mr LAM Sek-tim);
  - (3) the concept of e-sports was currently applied to sports and other domains. For instance, since motorsports were constrained by venue space, virtual training had been adopted as the pre-competition training for motorsports in recent years. This example precisely reflected the possibility of using e-sports to support other industries, and served to differentiate e-sports from “playing computer games”. He was discontented with the reply of the ITB and thought that e-sports was different from the operation of Internet cafes as mentioned in its reply. In addition, the ITB had mentioned in its reply the support provided by the Home Affairs Bureau (HAB) on the development of e-sports. He thus requested the HAB to give a response on the support provided for Internet cafes in the district. Besides, he hoped that the department concerned would have a good understanding of the content of the paper first before giving a reply, and requested other departments for more active response to and follow-up on the captioned item (Mr YICK Shing-chung, Angus);
  - (4) although Internet cafes were mentioned in the paper, the theme of the paper was the promotion of e-sports culture. He also understood that Internet cafes were outside the scope of management of the ITB. Besides, he pointed out that the ITB had launched the Esports Internship Scheme and allocated \$100 million to promoting the e-sports industry. Hence, he opined that the ITB should provide more relevant information for Members’ reference (the Vice Chairman); and
  - (5) in his opinion, the ITB was only repeating its reply given at the previous meeting. He further remarked that although Internet cafes were mentioned in the paper, its focus was not on the operation of Internet cafes. In addition, he regretted that the Tsuen Wan e-Sports Festival 2020 co-organised with the Chinese YMCA of Hong Kong Tsuen Wan Centre was cancelled due to the epidemic. Besides, he noticed that some schools in the district, such as St. Francis Xavier's School, Tsuen Wan, had their own school e-sports teams. In this connection, he suggested organising online competitions as this would make it easier to hold such activities. He hoped that the Tsuen Wan e-Sports

Festival would be held successfully next year (the Chairman).

(Note: Mr PUN Long-chung, Roy joined the meeting at 2:36 p.m. Mr KOT Siu-yuen joined the meeting at 2:39 p.m.)

7. Senior Liaison Officer (1) of the Tsuen Wan District Office (TWDO) responded as follows:

- (1) as mentioned in the paper, it was hoped that e-sports culture would be promoted in the district. For instance, the Tsuen Wan District Council (TWDC) could organise workshops and other activities for effective promotion;
- (2) the Strategy Group on Promotion of Recreational, Sports, Cultural and Arts Activities under the RSACFAC had originally planned to co-organise the Tsuen Wan e-Sports Festival 2020 with the Chinese YMCA of Hong Kong Tsuen Wan Centre between October and November 2020. However, the activity was cancelled due to the epidemic; and
- (3) the TWDO would relay Members' views to the Strategy Group on Promotion of Recreational, Sports, Cultural and Arts Activities under the RSACFAC for follow-up. Also, the TWDO was willing to provide assistance and stated that it could continue to co-organise the said activity in 2020 or 2021 so as to promote e-sports culture in the district.

8. The Chairman elaborated on the operation of Internet cafes in the district. As far as he knew, there were very few Internet cafes which were still in operation in the district at present. The relatively large Internet cafe at Chung On Street was the only one left.

9. Mr LAM Sek-tim said that he hoped that more government departments would give response to the captioned item. He requested that the discussion on the captioned item should continue at the next meeting and hoped to invite the ITB to send its representatives to attend the meeting again.

10. The Chairman said that he hoped that the Tsuen Wan District Council Secretariat (the Secretariat) would convey Members' views to the ITB. The RSACFAC would continue to discuss the captioned item at the next meeting.

(Post-meeting note: The Secretariat conveyed Members' views to the ITB in writing on 7 December 2020.)

IV Item 3: Application for District Council Funds as regards Activities Co-organised by the Strategy Group on Promotion of Recreational, Sports, Cultural and Arts Activities and District Organisations  
(RSACFAC Paper No. 22/20-21)

11. The Secretary introduced the paper and read out the membership list of Members who were concurrently the Members of the Strategy Group on Promotion of Recreational, Sports, Cultural and Arts Activities so as to indicate that they had made declaration of their membership. The membership list was set out in Annex I.

Besides, Mr LAU Cheuk-yu declared that a member of his staff was the executor of the activity concerned.

12. The Chairman said that he had declared his membership of the Strategy Group on Promotion of Recreational, Sports, Cultural and Arts Activities, which was a nominal post title. Therefore, he could continue to chair the meeting and participate in the discussion, decision-making and voting of the funding application concerned. Besides, he decided that Members who were concurrently the Members of the Strategy Group on Promotion of Recreational, Sports, Cultural and Arts Activities could participate in the discussion, decision-making and voting of the funding application concerned in accordance with section 48(12) of the Tsuen Wan District Council Standing Orders (the “Standing Orders”). He also requested that the Member who had declared that his assistant was the executor of the activity should remain silent during the discussion of the funding application concerned and could not participate in the decision-making or voting of the funding application concerned.

13. The Chairman asked if any Members needed to make declaration of interests immediately. No Member made declaration of interests.

14. Mr WONG Ka-wa said that he had assisted in providing fitness equipment in the community of Lei Muk Shue for promoting street workout. Hence, he supported the promotion of street workout culture. Besides, he suggested that the organiser of the activity concerned should produce large banners for display at prominent locations of the venue to remind the participants and members of the public to abide by the social distancing requirements under the Prevention and Control of Disease Ordinance when participating in the activity.

15. The RSACFAC endorsed one funding application as follows:

<u>Activity/Programme</u>	<u>Applicant Organisation/ Co-organiser</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount Approved (\$)</u>
(1) Street Workout Scheme in Tsuen Wan	2 Tons Charity Fund Limited	18.11.2020 – 31.12.2020	141,800.00

V Item 4: Application for District Council Funds by Shine for Child Foundation Limited  
(RSACFAC Paper No. 23/20-21)

16. The Secretary introduced the paper.

17. The Chairman asked if any Members needed to make declaration of interests immediately. No Member made declaration of interests.

18. The views and enquiries of Members were summarised as follows:
- (1) he enquired how the suggested amount to be approved was determined (Mr CHIU Yan-loy); and
  - (2) he enquired whether the corresponding Working Group had discussed the funding application for the activity concerned submitted at this meeting, and whether Members of the corresponding Working Group agreed on the suggested amount to be approved as regards the funding application concerned (Mr TAM Hoi-pong).

19. The Secretary responded that the suggested amount to be approved was determined after drawing reference from the same type of activities and the suggested amount to be approved in 2019.

20. The Chairman responded that the suggested amount to be approved was decided by Members of the Audit Working Group on Activities at its meetings.

21. The RSACFAC endorsed one funding application as follows:

<u>Activity/Programme</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount Approved</u> <u>(\$)</u>
(1) ARTids@Tsuen Wan	12.2020 – 28.2.2021	18,890.00

VI Item 5: Application for District Council Funds by The Incorporated Owners of The Cairnhill  
(RSACFAC Paper No. 24/20-21)

22. The Secretary introduced the paper.

23. The Chairman asked if any Members needed to make declaration of interests immediately. No Member made declaration of interests.

24. The RSACFAC endorsed one funding application as follows:

<u>Activity/Programme</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount Approved</u> <u>(\$)</u>
(1) Christmas Wonderful Carnival	19.12.2020	4,690.00

VII Item 6: Application for District Council Funds by The Incorporated Owners of Hanley Villa  
(RSACFAC Paper No. 25/20-21)

25. The Secretary introduced the paper.

26. The Chairman asked if any Members needed to make declaration of interests immediately. No Member made declaration of interests.

27. The RSACFAC endorsed one funding application as follows:

<u>Activity/Programme</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount Approved</u> <u>(\$)</u>
(1) Christmas Carnival 2020	19.12.2020	4,040.00

VIII Item 7: Application for District Council Funds by The Incorporated Owners of Golden Villa (Ting Kau)  
(RSACFAC Paper No. 26/20-21)

28. The Secretary introduced the paper.

29. The Chairman asked if any Members needed to make declaration of interests immediately. No Member made declaration of interests.

30. The RSACFAC endorsed one funding application as follows:

<u>Activity/Programme</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount Approved</u> <u>(\$)</u>
(1) Joy to the World Christmas Celebration	19.12.2020	6,632.00

IX Item 8: Application for District Council Funds by Wong Kam Lutheran Whole Person Development Centre  
(RSACFAC Paper No. 27/20-21)

31. The Secretary introduced the paper.

32. The Chairman asked if any Members needed to make declaration of interests immediately. No Member made declaration of interests.

33. The RSACFAC endorsed one funding application as follows:

<u>Activity/Programme</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount Approved</u> <u>(\$)</u>
(1) Trees in Tsuen Wan – Cultural Experience Programme of Trees	21.11.2020 – 12.12.2020	20,267.20

X Item 9: Application for District Council Funds by Tsuen Wan Baseball Association  
(RSACFAC Paper No. 28/20-21)

34. The Secretary introduced the paper.

35. The Chairman asked if any Members needed to make declaration of interests immediately. No Member made declaration of interests.

36. The RSACFAC endorsed one funding application as follows:

<u>Activity/Programme</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount Approved</u> <u>(\$)</u>
(1) Promotion of Baseball in Tsuen Wan District	12.2020 – 2.2021	26,770.00

(Note: Mr LI Hung-por left the meeting at 2:51 p.m.)

XI Item 10: Application for District Council Funds by Christian Joyful Spirit Life Development Centre Limited  
(RSACFAC Paper No. 29/20-21)

37. The Secretary introduced the paper and reported that the Chairman had declared that a member of his staff was the office-bearer of the Christian Joyful Spirit Life Development Centre Limited.

38. The Chairman said that he had made declaration of interests as regards the next activity. Therefore, in accordance with section 48(12) of the Standing Orders, he would remain silent during the discussion of the funding application concerned and would not participate in the decision-making or voting of the funding application concerned. He thus asked the Vice Chairman to take over the chair.

39. The Acting Chairman asked if any Members needed to make declaration of interests immediately. No Member made declaration of interests.

40. The RSACFAC endorsed one funding application as follows:

<u>Activity/Programme</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount Approved</u> <u>(\$)</u>
(1) Christmas Gala in Tsuen Wan	24.12.2020	13,500.00

41. The Chairman resumed the chair.

XII Item 11: Invitation to the Commissioner for Sports to Visit Tsuen Wan District for Enhanced Communication for Effective Development of Sports in the District  
(RSACFAC Paper No. 30/20-21)

42. The Chairman said that Mr LUK Ling-chung, Antonio submitted the paper. The representative from the government department responsible for giving response was Ms SIU Yuen-ching, Sara, Deputy District Leisure Manager (Tsuen Wan)<sup>1</sup> of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD). Besides, the written reply of the HAB was tabled at the meeting.

43. Mr LUK Ling-chung, Antonio introduced the paper.

44. Deputy District Leisure Manager (Tsuen Wan)<sup>1</sup> of the LCSD responded that the LCSD attached great importance to the development of sports. It would actively tie in with, follow up and promote the activities and schemes related to the development of sports.

(Note: Mr KOT Siu-yuen left the meeting at 2:53 p.m.)

45. The views of the Chairman and Members were summarised as follows:

- (1) he opined that the written reply of the HAB only looked good on paper, and showed that the HAB was preoccupied with its own thoughts without regard for the reality. He pointed out that in the written reply, it was mentioned that the LCSD planned to organise recreation activities in Tsuen Wan district, which involved an estimate of \$5.88 million. The amount did not tally with the latest information provided previously at the meeting of the District Planning, Development and Facilities Management Committee (DPDFMC). He suspected that the HAB was giving a perfunctory response only. He further remarked that culture, arts and sports were of equal importance in the discussion conducted in the RSACFAC, and so he hoped to invite the Commissioner for Sports to join this meeting to introduce and explore the overall strategy for developing sports in Tsuen Wan district. In his opinion, the failure of the Commissioner for Sports to join this meeting showed that he was not sincerely interested in cooperating with the key stakeholders in the district on the development of sports, and that he did not attach any importance to the development of sports in the district. He stressed that it was reasonable to start from the district level when it came to strengthening the development of sports. Hence, he was disappointed with the absence of the Commissioner for Sports, and suggested sending a letter to the HAB to reprimand him. He also pointed out that none of the 26 development projects of sports and recreation facilities to be taken forward in the coming five years as set out in the written reply was related to Tsuen Wan district. Regarding the 15 projects of which the technical feasibility studies were underway, only one of them concerning the improvement of hardware facilities for sports was related to Tsuen Wan district. In addition, he thought that the scope of discussion of the RSACFAC was too narrow, as it was limited to software issues encountered in leisure services only. Hardware development was to be discussed at DPDFMC meetings instead (Mr LUK Ling-chung, Antonio);
- (2) he opined that the Commissioner for Sports should promote the development of sports in the district from the perspective of software. However, no dedicated officers had been assigned to take care of the promotion work regarding specific types of ball games in Tsuen Wan district so far. He was disappointed with the failure of the Commissioner for Sports to join this meeting and agreed that a letter should be sent to the HAB to reprimand him. He learnt that the LCSD was mainly responsible for promoting sports in the community, such as organising general sports courses. He hoped that the TWDO would assist in developing relevant ancillary facilities in the district

- and providing support for the nurturing of young sports talents (Mr TAM Hoi-pong);
- (3) the Commissioner for Sports should face squarely the development of sports in Tsuen Wan district. He was disappointed with the failure of the Commissioner for Sports to attend this meeting and agreed that a letter should be sent to the HAB to reprimand him. Besides, he opined that the development of sports hinged on the coordination between software and hardware, and hoped for an expansion of the terms of reference of the RSACFAC for more comprehensive and in-depth discussion of the development of sports (Mr PUN Long-chung, Roy);
  - (4) there was a lack of comprehensive planning for the development of sports in Tsuen Wan district, and the sports training courses organised by the LCSD in the district were merely for leisure purposes. Thus, he hoped that the Government would engage in longer-term planning and develop sports projects in the district with a view to nurturing future sports stars. He pointed out that none of the 26 development projects on sports and recreation facilities to be taken forward in the coming five years as set out in the written reply was related to Tsuen Wan district. Also, the 15 projects of which the studies were underway were merely improvement works for facilities rather than new development projects. While the development project of Tso Kung Tam Ecological Park was proposed in as early as the 1980s, construction works had not yet commenced even though \$1.3 billion of funding was already approved in 2005 for the construction of the park (Mr CHIU Yan-loy);
  - (5) development of sports would help to save resources used in healthcare and relevant welfare services in society. He pointed out that in the previous Hong Kong Games (HKG), Tsuen Wan district was assigned dance development, yet there were not many such developments in the district at present. He suggested that Tsuen Wan district should make use of its geographical edge to organise Triathlon and similar events in the district. Also, international sports events such as volleyball games could be held in the recently completed Tsuen Wan Sports Centre. He hoped that athletes in the district would have better opportunities for development, thereby assisting in turning Tsuen Wan into a district of sports (Mr WONG Ka-wa); and
  - (6) he was discontented with the written reply of the HAB and enquired of the TWDO about its role in developing sports projects in the district. Regarding the written reply of the HAB, he pointed out that according to web information, Improvement of Tsuen Wan Riviera Park and Tsuen Wan Park was a study launched in view of the increase in population and the corresponding increase in the demand for sports and recreation facilities. He thus enquired about the latest progress of the study and the proposed development plans in the future. Besides, as far as he knew, the district open spaces in Area 2 and Area 3 under the “public works pending review” (“works pending review”) in the written reply were located on the slope behind Phase 2 of Belvedere Garden and the natural slope near Summit Terrace respectively. He thus enquired about the details of the works and the future planning of the spaces (Mr YICK Shing-chung, Angus).

46. Deputy District Leisure Manager(Tsuen Wan)<sup>1</sup> of the LCSD responded that the HAB had mentioned various items of “works pending review” in its written reply made in response to the paper. Among these works, the district open spaces in Area 2 and Area 3 were located on the slope behind Phase 2 of Belvedere Garden and the natural slope near Summit Terrace respectively. As shown in the aerial photograph, the district open spaces of these two areas were located on slopes. If the public works were to be taken forward, substantial construction activities would have to be carried out. As for the “public works under planning” mentioned in the written reply, the LCSD was unable to provide further information on such works for the time being, and would send relevant information to Members for reference as soon as possible after learning more about the works.

47. The Chairman said that he hoped that the LCSD would provide the aerial photographs of the “works pending review” after the meeting for Members’ reference.

48. Senior Liaison Officer (1) of the TWDO pointed out that the HAB and LCSD had given responses on the said issues. The TWDO had nothing to add.

49. The views and enquiries of Members were summarised as follows:

- (1) the promotion of the development of sports in the districts was undertaken by the Amenities Officer grade and Recreation and Sports Officer grade previously. The former was responsible for the management of hardware such as indoor stadiums and parks, whereas the latter focused on the development of software, for instance, organising sports training courses and competitions. In his opinion, the merging of the two said grades into the Leisure Services Manager grade might have prevented follow-up work in development and management specifically targeting software or hardware, causing the previous momentum of promoting sports in the district to slow down significantly. He suggested that the District Councillors should participate in the sports events in the district more actively after the epidemic, and hoped to learn about whether the Commissioner for Sports had attended the meetings of other District Councils (DCs) in the New Territories in the past ten months (Mr LUK Ling-chung, Antonio); and
- (2) he hoped that the captioned item would be included in the Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Previous Meeting at the next meeting. Besides, he hoped that government departments would provide more information as regards the “public works under planning” and “works pending review” mentioned in the written reply of the HAB (Mr WONG Ka-wa).

50. The Chairman said that he agreed that there was a lack of comprehensive planning for the development of sports in Tsuen Wan district. The LCSD only organised sports interest classes in the district and subsidised only some types of sports such as football and baseball for sports development. He hoped that relevant departments would provide more information about the “works pending review” in the written reply of the HAB for Members’ discussion, and that the LCSD would provide more information as regards the Improvement to the Facilities at Approach Beach. The RSACFAC would

send a letter to the Commissioner for Sports to express regret about his failure to join the meeting and would once again invite him to join the meeting. The discussion of the captioned item would continue at the next meeting.

(Post-meeting note: The Secretariat conveyed Members' views to the HAB in writing on 7 December 2020.)

#### XIII Item 12: Information Papers

51. Members noted the content of the following information paper:

- (1) Financial Statement of the Funds Allocated to Recreation, Sports, Arts and Culture For All Committee as at 13 October 2020 (RSACFAC Paper No. 31/20-21).

#### XIV Item 13: Any Other Business

52. The views and enquiries of Members were summarised as follows:

- (1) the latest paper of the Hong Kong Football Association (HKFA) showed that the Tsuen Wan Football Association (TWFA) had made an application for entry into the League of the HKFA of this year. In other words, the TWFA had made an application for entry into the League of the HKFA without prior authorisation from the TWDC. He had earlier met the representative of the TWFA, but an agreement could not be reached regarding the monitoring of the football team by the TWDC. Thus, the TWFA did not make an application for obtaining authorisation from the TWDC. Besides, he would call for a meeting of the Working Group on Tsuen Wan District Football Representative Team (Non-standing Working Group) as soon as possible for discussion of matters related to authorising a district football team to enter the League of the HKFA representing Tsuen Wan district to uphold the reputation of the TWDC (the Chairman);
- (2) at the previous meeting, allocation of funds to the Caritas Community Centre - Tsuen Wan had been endorsed for implementing the Tsuen Wan Creative City Study Report scheme. The said scheme had commenced and staff would be arranged to conduct interviews in the district. It was anticipated that the study report could be released in February 2021. He would report to Members on the latest information about the study in a timely manner. He hoped to develop Tsuen Wan into the first creative district in Hong Kong (the Vice Chairman);
- (3) he enquired of the TWFA whether it had obtained authorisation from the TWDC in respect of financial subsidy and representativeness (Mr TAM Hoi-pong);
- (4) he enquired whether only football teams recommended by the 18 DCs were eligible for entry into the League of the HKFA, whether the DCs could vote on the issue concerning the authorisation of the football teams, and whether the HKFA could invite football teams with whom it had cooperated on a regular basis in the districts to enter the League under the scheme (Mr WONG Ka-wa); and
- (5) he had contacted the lifeguard clubs in the district and found that every year

the closing period of the beaches in Tsuen Wan district was longer than the closing periods of beaches in other districts. He enquired about the situation and whether it was possible to lengthen the opening period of the beaches in Tsuen Wan district (Mr LAU Chi-hung).

(Post-meeting note: The Working Group on Tsuen Wan District Football Representative Team (Non-standing Working Group) held its first meeting on 9 November 2020.)

53. Deputy District Leisure Manager (Tsuen Wan)<sup>1</sup> of the LCS D responded as follows:

- (1) the 8<sup>th</sup> HKG was originally scheduled for 2020 and 2021. However, in view of the unstable epidemic situation of COVID-19, the Hong Kong Games Organising Committee decided to postpone the date of the HKG for one year to ensure the safety and high standard of the HKG. The RSACFAC endorsed the list of delegation members for Tsuen Wan district by circulation of paper on 27 July 2020 to handle matters as regards athlete selection in Tsuen Wan district. The LCS D proposed retaining the list of delegation members until the commencement of the 8<sup>th</sup> HKG;
- (2) the LCS D would hold meetings of the district selection committee/working group according to the revised implementation timetable of programmes in a timely manner to handle matters as regards athlete selection in Tsuen Wan district and work out the details of the publicity work, and would report to Members on the latest information about the HKG; and
- (3) beaches under the LCS D management were divided into two types, namely beaches that opened all year round and beaches that would close in winter. In general, beaches in Tsuen Wan district would close from November to March of the following year. This arrangement had been adopted for years. The LCS D noted Members' views.

54. The views and enquiries of Members were summarised as follows:

- (1) he enquired about the process of selection of football teams for the HKG. As the selection of football teams took some time, he enquired of the LCS D whether there were alternatives available so that the venues could be reopened as soon as possible for the selection process (Mr LAM Sek-tim); and
- (2) the TWDC would not allocate funding to the TWFA without having granted prior authorisation to it, and the TWFA could not use the training sessions and venues reserved by the LCS D for the district football team. The League of the HKFA was open for entry to all affiliated clubs under the HKFA and was not limited to football teams authorised by the DCs. Therefore, the TWFA could still enter the League as an affiliated club under the HKFA without prior authorisation from the TWDC. Regarding the selection process for the HKG, he pointed out that the previous selection criterion was that the champion team would participate in the football matches of the HKG representing Tsuen Wan district (the Chairman).

55. Deputy District Leisure Manager (Tsuen Wan)<sup>1</sup> of the LCS D responded that the

LCSD noted Members' views and would report to Members on any relevant news.

56. The Chairman reminded Members that the next meeting was scheduled for 21 December 2020 and the deadline for submission of paper was 4 December 2020.

(Post-meeting note: In view of the epidemic, the 7<sup>th</sup> meeting of the RSACFAC was rescheduled to 25 February 2021.)

XV Adjournment of Meeting

57. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:34 p.m.

Tsuen Wan District Council Secretariat  
16 November 2020

Membership List of the Strategy Group on Promotion of  
Recreational, Sports, Cultural and Arts Activities under  
Recreation, Sports, Arts and Culture For All Committee in 2020-23

Convenor : Mr LAU Cheuk-yu

Members : Mr LI Hung-por  
Mr LAM Sek-tim  
Mr LUK Ling-chung, Antonio  
Mr WONG Ka-wa  
Mr KOT Siu-yuen  
Mr CHIU Yan-loy  
Mr LAU Chi-hung  
Mr LAI Man-fai  
Mr TSE Man-chak