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Minutes of the 3rd Meeting of
Social Service and Community Development Committee (1/20-21)

Date : 26 May 2020
Time : 2:30 p.m.
Venue : Main Conference Room, Tsuen Wan District Office

Present:

Members

Mr WONG Ka-wa (Chairman)
Ms CHAN Kim-kam (Vice Chairman)
Mr MAN Yu-ming, MH
Mr LI Hung-por
Mr SHUM Lester
Mr YAU Kam-ping, BBS, MH
Mr YICK Shing-chung, Angus
Mr LAM Sek-tim
Mr CHAN Sung-ip, MH
Mr CHAN Yuen-sum, Sumly
Mr LUK Ling-chung, Antonio
Mr CHIU Yan-loy
Mr LAU Chi-hung
Mr LAU Cheuk-yu
Mr PUN Long-chung, Roy
Mr LAU Jackson
Mr LAI Man-fai
Mr TSE Man-chak
Mr TAM Hoi-pong

Government Representatives

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| Ms LEE Lai-kiu, Winnie | Senior Liaison Officer (2), Tsuen Wan District Office |
| Ms LUI Ka-wing | Assistant District Social Welfare Officer (Tsuen Wan/Kwai Tsing) ³ , Social Welfare Department |
| Miss LAM Shuk-fan, Janice | Senior School Development Officer (Tsuen Wan) ¹ , Education Bureau |

Tsuen Wan District Council Secretariat Representatives

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| Miss LAM Siu-yung, Daisy | Senior Executive Officer (District Council), Tsuen Wan District Office |
| Miss IP Tung, Natalie | Executive Officer (District Council)2, Tsuen Wan District Office |
| Mr YIM Hong-yue, Owen (Secretary) | Executive Officer (District Council)3, Tsuen Wan District Office |

The Meeting

I Opening Remarks and Introduction

The Chairman welcomed the Members and representatives from the government departments to the 3rd meeting of the Social Service and Community Development Committee (SSCDC).

2. The Chairman reminded Members that according to section 28 of the Tsuen Wan District Council Standing Orders (the “Standing Orders”), unless otherwise agreed by the Chairman, each Member might speak for each agenda item once at the meeting. For each agenda item, a maximum of four Members might speak and each of them might speak up to 1.5 minutes. Each Member who submitted a paper might have up to three minutes to introduce the paper and speak. Each representative from government departments might have up to three minutes for giving response.

(Note: Mr MAN Yu-ming joined the meeting at 2:32 p.m.)

3. The Chairman said that in view of the constraint on the duration of the meetings of the District Council (DC) due to the epidemic, the meeting of the SSCDC was postponed from 19 May 2020 to 26 May 2020 and the meetings of the Working Groups under the SSCDC could not materialise. In the past, the applications for DC funds as regards the activities co-organised by the Working Groups under the SSCDC and local organisations would be discussed first by the corresponding Working Groups. In the light of the current exceptional circumstances, and given that no Co-opted Members were appointed to the SSCDC and the Working Groups under the SSCDC of this DC term, and all Members of the SSCDC were concurrently Members of the Working Groups under the SSCDC, he gave his special approval for direct discussion and voting on the applications for DC funds as regards the activities co-organised by the Working Groups under the SSCDC and local organisations in this SSCDC meeting. Members agreed to the said arrangement.

II Item 1: Confirmation of Minutes of the Meeting held on 10.3.2020

4. The Chairman said that the Secretariat had received two proposed amendments from Mr LUK Ling-chung, Antonio prior to this meeting as follows:

- (1) line 2 to line 3 of paragraph 34(1) in the captioned minutes, “，因此希望屋宇署關注河背街後巷滲水問題” (, he therefore hoped that the BD would keep in view the problem of water seepage at the rear lanes of Ho Pui Street) should be deleted; and

- (2) in line 4 to line 5 of paragraph 34(1) in the captioned minutes, “詢問民政事務總署能否加強對成立業主立案法團的宣傳，並教育相關人士處理環境衛生問題” (he enquired whether the HAD could step up the effort in promoting the establishment of owners’ corporations and educating the persons concerned on handling the environmental hygiene problem) should be amended as “因此要求荃灣民政事務處加強推動成立業主立案法團的工作，並向舊樓住戶提供處理公用地方環境衛生問題的意見。此外，留意到河背街後巷存在不少藍色膠喉流出污水，曾就此向食環署查詢，獲告知此等喉管乃屬屋宇署所管轄，因此希望屋宇署跟進處理” (he therefore urged the TWDO to step up the effort in promoting the work for establishment of owners’ corporations and advise the households of old buildings on handling the environmental hygiene problems in public places. In addition, he noticed the polluted flow from the blue plastic pipes at the rear lanes of Ho Pui Street and had enquired of the FEHD about the matter. He was told that the blue plastic pipes were managed by the BD. Hence, he hoped that the BD would follow up).

5. Members confirmed the minutes of the meeting held on 10 March 2020 with proposed amendments.

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

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

(Note: Mr LAU Cheuk-yu joined the meeting at 2:36 p.m.)

IV Item 3: Request the Education Bureau to Consider Increasing the Percentage of Repeaters lagging behind the Learning Progress in view of the Epidemic (SSCDC Paper No. 1/20-21)

7. The Chairman said that Mr LI Hung-por submitted the paper. The representative from the government department responsible for giving response was Miss LAM Shuk Fan, Janice, Senior School Development Officer (Tsuen Wan)¹ (SSDO(TW)¹) of the Education Bureau (EDB). Besides, the EDB had submitted a written reply on the captioned matter prior to the meeting for Members’ perusal.

8. Mr LI Hung-por introduced the paper.

(Note: Mr YICK Shing-chung, Angus joined the meeting at 2:40 p.m.)

9. SSDO(TW)¹ of the EDB responded as follows:
- (1) schools in Hong Kong had not resumed their classes in about four months since the Chinese New Year holidays. The EDB announced the arrangements for class resumption in phases for all schools on 5 May 2020;
 - (2) during the class suspension period, schools had been adopting diversified modes of learning in order to achieve “suspending classes without suspending

learning”. Apart from e-learning on online platforms, schools also adopted other approaches to effectively provide students with different learning materials, exercises and texts for extracurricular reading to assist students with home learning;

- (3) the EDB understood that learning at home could not fully replace classroom learning. Therefore, after class resumption, schools might suitably adjust their teaching arrangements, re-arrange some school activities or arrange make-up lessons for individual grades of students in accordance with their school-based situation and needs of parents and students in order to keep up the learning progress of their students;
- (4) besides, the curriculum guides for all subjects of primary schools and secondary schools were formulated by learning stages across different levels. There were two learning stages in primary school currently, i.e. primary one to primary three and primary four to primary six. Schools could review their curriculum and flexibly adapt it to the progress of their own students within the same learning stage, for example, arranging part of the curriculum to be taught in the next school year to facilitate the transition between different levels or learning stages;
- (5) concerning the arrangements for retaking or repeating, students repeating a class level was a special arrangement at schools. Schools exercised their professional judgements to decide whether a particular student needed to repeat the current level, taking into account the circumstances of individual students and their learning needs. Schools would continue to make arrangements in accordance with the school-based mechanisms. The EDB would provide support and professional advice for schools whenever necessary. The EDB opined that the assessment of the actual status of each case from a professional perspective would be more desirable and that it was not necessary to enhance the percentage of repeaters “across-the-board”; and
- (6) the EDB and its district offices had all along been maintaining a close liaison with the education sector, school principals and parents and listening to the views of the education sector. If parents were worried about the learning progress of their children or wanted to make other specific requests, they might convey such worries and requests to the schools directly. Schools might adjust the curriculum in accordance with the circumstances and provide support for students with Special Educational Needs (SEN).

(Note: Mr LAI Man-fai joined the meeting at 2:44 p.m.)

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

- (1) he wished to learn about the matter concerning the earlier invalidation of a History Examination question in Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination (HKDSE) and opined that the invalidation was out of political manoeuvring. Given that academic freedom was crucial to student development, he hoped that the EDB would clarify the principle of invalidation of examination question and clearly define the scope of this

examination question with respect to students' freedom to discuss and give views (Mr CHIU Yan-loy);

- (2) some of the HKDSE candidates for the year relayed that the stance or sentiment of candidates should not be examined by the controversial examination question. He opined that politics should not be involved in examinations and the invalidation of the examination question was unfair to candidates. Notwithstanding the EDB's view that the examination question had misled students, only 40% of the candidates answered with a stance that did not match the EDB's ideal answer according to a survey. He thought that the only thing students needed to do when answering this type of examination questions was to perform a rational analysis and make a stance with concrete evidence. He hoped that the EDB would respond to the aspiration of HKDSE candidates seriously (Mr TSE Man-chak);
- (3) he was disappointed with the response from the representative of the EDB and opined that schools would certainly make adjustment under their professional judgements and school-based mechanisms on a case-by-case basis. However, a restriction would be imposed on the schools' adjustment mechanisms because it was specified in the EDB's guidelines that "the maximum number of repeaters in each school should not exceed 3% of the total enrolment of the school each year". He hoped that the EDB would clearly state that a school's reputation and allocation of resources would not be affected even if the school had increased its percentage of repeaters. Besides, he opined that the EDB should explain to the general public and the DC as to whether independent thinking was discouraged after the invalidation of the HKDSE History Examination question (Mr PUN Long-chung, Roy);
- (4) he enquired of the EDB whether a mechanism was practically put in place for impeded learning progress of students apart from making consideration on a case-by-case basis. As one of the first HKDSE History Examination candidates, he opined that the examination question concerned did not deviate from the examination questions in the past but the candidates were highly likely to repeat or retake the class level due to the unreasonable deduction of marks. He enquired whether the EDB would provide a compensation plan for the students who were the candidates victimised by deduction of marks due to the invalidation of the examination question (Mr YICK Shing-chung, Angus);
- (5) he reminded Members to speak with relevance to the content of the paper. He demanded a response from the EDB as to whether it had approved or established any other system for supporting schools increasing their percentages of repeaters due to the epidemic. Besides, concerning the invalidation of the HKDSE History Examination question, he opined that the EDB should have followed a stringent system to examine the examination question beforehand and the examination question should not be invalidated only because the students' answers were not in line with the expectations of the EDB (the Chairman); and
- (6) he did not request the EDB to increase the percentage of repeaters mandatorily. He also agreed that schools should exercise their professional

judgements and consider the views of parents before making decisions on whether the students should repeat. Also, a good flexible arrangement was that schools might discuss with the EDB when necessary. Besides, it was no easy task for the students with weaker learning ability to catch up with four months' learning progress. It was quite important to help students to build a solid foundation (Mr LI Hung-por).

11. SSDO(TW)1 of the EDB responded as follows:

- (1) the EDB understood that learning at home could not fully replace classroom learning. Schools would follow their professional judgements and consider the impact of the epidemic on the learning progress of students to adjust the curriculum of the entire learning stage in order to allow students to progressively catch up with the impeded learning progress;
- (2) the EDB attached great importance to student development and carefully considered the matter of repeaters. The EDB would not rashly increase the percentage of repeaters;
- (3) the need of students to repeat a class had all along been under review by schools according to stringent school-based mechanisms. Schools would make professional judgements and discussions with parents in respect of the decisions concerned;
- (4) Tsuen Wan District School Development Section of the EDB did not receive enquiries from schools or parents about the increase in the percentage of repeaters. Schools might contact the EDB for the issue if necessary, and parents should contact the schools directly so as to learn about the learning progress of their children; and
- (5) given that the invalidation of the HKDSE History Examination question was not mentioned in the paper, no relevant information was available for a response. The EDB noted Members' views.

12. The Chairman asked whether Mr LI Hung-por agreed that the SSCDC would convey Members' enquiries in writing to the EDB. Members agreed to the arrangement.

(Post-meeting note: The Secretariat conveyed Members' enquiries in writing to the EDB on 10 June 2020.)

V Item 4: Request the Government to Introduce the Unemployment Assistance Fund As Soon As Possible in order to Support the Unemployed
(SSCDC Paper No. 2/20-21)

13. The Chairman said that Mr LAU Cheuk-yu submitted the paper. Besides, the Chief Secretary for Administration's Office, the Financial Secretary's Office, the Home Affairs Bureau (HAB) and the Labour and Welfare Bureau had submitted the written replies on the captioned matter prior to the meeting for Members' perusal.

14. Mr LAU Cheuk-yu introduced the paper.

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

- (1) he pointed out that recently a lot of people in Tsuen Wan district had mistakenly thought that employees would be provided with cash allowance directly via the Employment Support Scheme. He relayed that employees, not employers and the self-employed, were currently in dire need of actual and direct assistance. Hence, he opined that the Employment Support Scheme was in fact “rescuing the market but not the people” and expressed his regret over it. Besides, after the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council (LegCo) had vetoed the establishment of the Unemployment Assistance Fund and the relevant amendments, those who were on no-pay leave, underemployment or unemployment could only be advised to apply for the Comprehensive Social Security Assistance (CSSA) at the moment. However, the application process was complicated and their emergency needs could not be addressed promptly. He thus agreed to the establishment of the Unemployment Assistance Fund and hoped that the Government would implement other measures and provide immediate assistance for the people concerned (Mr CHIU Yan-loy);
- (2) he supported the stance made in the paper. Recently, many people in Tsuen Wan district conveyed that their working hours had been reduced due to the epidemic. Also, the workers in the construction industry and catering industry had complained to him from time to time that it was difficult to seek adequate assistance in the community and that the Government failed to provide adequate assistance. Besides, he pointed out that the Government neglected the unemployed and the underemployed when introducing the subsidy schemes to different trades. The Employment Support Scheme provided subsidies for employers only and failed to give actual assistance to the majority of the general public in our society. He hoped that the government departments would adopt Members’ views (Mr LUK Ling-chung, Antonio);
- (3) he said that the Government should consider the actual circumstances and relax or waive the asset test especially for those who had suddenly become unemployed in recent months due to the epidemic as far as practicable if the Government intended to support the unemployed through CSSA. It was because the application threshold for the CSSA was currently too high and many employees who had worked for decades possessed assets amounting to at least one hundred thousand dollars; however, applicants whose asset value exceeded the prescribed amount were barred from the CSSA application (Mr LI Hung-por);
- (4) he opined that delaying the assistance was not feasible. The economic impact of the epidemic on Tsuen Wan district had become apparent. There was an increasing trend in the number of street sleepers in Tsuen Wan district and a significant number of them were unemployed due to the epidemic and thus unable to afford rents or food expenditures. Besides, he had assisted the people in Tsuen Wan district to apply for the respective Government assistance for many times but a majority of applications were rejected due to

various reasons. He hoped that the Hong Kong Government would draw reference from the principle of the Thai government's "Rao Mai Thing Kan" (We won't leave anyone behind) scheme and help those in genuine need (Mr LAM Sek-tim);

- (5) he agreed with the Member that the Anti-epidemic Fund "rescued the market but not the people" because only a minimal coverage of immediate assistance and security was provided for the unemployed under the Fund, while the employers could receive a considerable amount of subsidies. He opined that the Government only took remedial measures for the aspirations from different trades but the unemployed and the underemployed were still forsaken. Besides, given the expected persistent impact of the epidemic over a period of time, he thought that the Unemployment Assistance Fund should last for at least six months and the assistance for the trades which were not included eventually in the Anti-epidemic Fund - Second Round, such as the laundry trade and party rooms, should be increased. He also suggested that the Government should increase the amount of the Cash Payout Scheme from \$10,000 to \$20,000 (Mr YICK Shing-chung, Angus);
- (6) he enquired whether topics such as the Unemployment Assistance Fund and EDB's guidelines were district-level matters which could be discussed at the SSCDC. While many young people who worked part time lost their jobs due to the epidemic, it would be an insult to them if they were asked to receive the CSSA, which was an adverse label of inability to work. This reflected why an Unemployment Assistance Fund was necessary in our society, but unfortunately the relevant policies and amendments were vetoed by the LegCo. Besides, many private organisations had introduced various types of assistance funds at the moment but the application thresholds were high in general. He enquired of the Government about the reasons for not choosing to introduce the similar types of funds and hoped that the Government would bear the burden and face up to the needs of the unemployed (Mr PUN Long-chung, Roy);
- (7) he opined that receiving the CSSA would lead to labelling effect. The Government had encouraged the public to be self-reliant and should, in the meantime, consider and study the implementation of measures based on the concept of unemployment relief as a buffer for the unemployed in view of the economic recession caused by the epidemic and absence of a sign of recovery in the short term. The Government should encourage them to continue to find a job and proactively adjust the social welfare policies, such as the CSSA (Mr MAN Yu-ming); and
- (8) he pointed out that the number of street sleepers increased in Tsuen Wan district and the public normally did not wish to receive the CSSA. Also, the coverage of the CSSA was not comprehensive. For example, the unemployed tenants of the public housing still had to pay the rents and the professional drivers could barely afford the costly rents in car parks. Different trades including the hair salons, beauty parlours, clothes alternation shops, video shops, photo printing shops and part-time dancers and artists were unable to receive adequate assistance. All this indicated that the CSSA

and assistance from other relevant government departments such as the Housing Department were inadequate (the Chairman).

(Note: Mr CHAN Sung-ip left the meeting at 3:02 p.m.)

(Note: Mr SHUM Lester joined the meeting at 3:03 p.m.)

16. The Chairman asked whether Mr LAU Cheuk-yu agreed that the SSCDC would convey Members' views above in writing to the departments concerned. Members agreed to the arrangement.

(Post-meeting note: The Secretariat conveyed Members' views in writing to the departments concerned on 10 June 2020.)

VI Item 5: Request to Actively Assist in Establishing a Youth Voices Platform in Tsuen Wan District and Invite the Youth and Various Departments for Exchange of Ideas with a view to Expressing the Youth's Views and Enabling our Collaboration

(SSCDC Paper No. 3/20-21)

17. The Chairman said that Mr YICK Shing-chung, Angus submitted the paper. The representative from the government department responsible for giving response was Ms LUI Ka Wing, Assistant District Social Welfare Officer (Tsuen Wan/Kwai Tsing)³ (ADSWO (TW/KwT)³) of the Social Welfare Department (SWD). Besides, the HAB had submitted a written reply on the captioned matter prior to the meeting for Members' perusal.

18. Mr YICK Shing-chung, Angus introduced the paper.

(Note: Mr MAN Yu-ming left the meeting at 3:16 p.m.)

(Note: Mr LAU Chi-hung and Mr TAM Hoi-pong joined the meeting at 3:17 p.m.)

19. ADSWO (TW/KwT)³ of the SWD responded that she agreed to listen to the young people more often. She also encouraged the colleagues of social service to listen to the needs of the young people and welcomed the relevant proposals put forth by Members.

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

- (1) he opined that the insufficient communication between the Government and the youth was a known fact, which had led to the recent resistance from many young people who believed that the Government was insupportable. Besides, he noted that most of the major programmes as shown on the webpage of the Youth Development Commission (YDC) were exchange activities in the Mainland and was worried that the young people might not wish to join. He hoped that the YDC would implement the programmes that

met the needs of the youth and were attractive to them (Mr PUN Long-chung, Roy);

- (2) he opined that this item should be under the purview of the YDC instead of the SWD, and that the structurally deficient YDC was ignorant about the youth today. The Government's failure to make a stance in response to the eldest daughter of the founder of a corporate group who advocated that our society should give up two generations of young people, for instance, showed that the Government did not understand the problems faced by the young people. Besides, he questioned the representativeness of the YDC Members and pointed out that a Member of the YDC, who was a former Member of the Tsuen Wan District Council, was bickering at meetings from time to time but was still serving the committee. He thought that the YDC should deal with this matter cautiously (Mr LAU Cheuk-yu);
- (3) he supported the paper submitted by the Member. The non-governmental organisations (NGOs) in Tsuen Wan district formed a youth council many years ago and facilitated the exchanges between DC Members and the youth in Tsuen Wan district through organising forums. Despite its dissolution, there was currently a children's council formed by the NGOs in Tsuen Wan district. He opined that listening to the youth's voices directly at the district level was more effective than joining the YDC. The SSCDC funding could support the organisation of similar activities by the NGOs concerned for encouraging exchanges between various sectors and young people or children at district level. Members might learn from the Secretary about the procedure for submitting application documents (the Chairman);
- (4) he noted that the date on the written reply from the HAB was missing. Besides, he was dissatisfied with the HAB's failure to send its staff to attend the SSCDC meeting out of the reason of "the item was a district matter concerning the youth, and the representative from the relevant district office would attend the SSCDC meeting. Therefore, the HAB would not send its representative to attend the SSCDC meeting" in its written reply. He opined that the HAB could excuse itself from attending the meetings of the DC and its committees for any item with the reason of "a district matter" (Mr LUK Ling-chung, Antonio); and
- (5) he opined that the Members of the YDC were out of touch with the youth today and failed to present the youth's views comprehensively. He also did not believe that the YDC could develop youth affairs effectively and hoped that the SSCDC would promote the development of youth affairs in collaboration with the district organisations in the future (Mr YICK Shing-chung, Angus).

21. The Chairman said that the SSCDC would reprimand the HAB in writing and the content of the letter would be followed up by the Chairman, the Vice Chairman, Mr LUK Ling-chung, Antonio and the Secretariat.

(Post-meeting note: The Secretariat conveyed Members' views in writing to the HAB on 10 June 2020.)

VII Item 6: Application for District Council Funds as regards Activities Co-organised by the Working Group on Integrated Community Services and Community Education and Item 7: Application for District Council Funds as regards Activities Co-organised by the Task Force on Care for the Elderly, Rehabilitation and Community Information

(SSCDC Paper Nos. 4/20-21 and 5/20-21)

22. The Chairman asked the Members of the Working Group on Integrated Community Services and Community Education and Members of the Task Force on Care for the Elderly, Rehabilitation and Community Information if they agreed that the application for DC funds as regards the activities co-organised by the Working Groups and local organisations would be discussed and voted on at this SSCDC meeting. The Members concerned agreed to the above arrangement.

23. The Chairman said that due to the time constraint of the meeting, agenda item nos. 6 and 7, both of which were about the applications for DC funds as regards the activities co-organised by the local organisations and the Working Groups, would be discussed together. For this agenda item, Members might speak once to put forth enquiries or views. At most half of the Members might speak and each of them might speak up to 1.5 minutes.

24. The Secretary introduced the paper and read out the list of Members who were concurrently the Members of the Working Group on Integrated Community Services and Community Education and Members of the Task Force on Care for the Elderly, Rehabilitation and Community Information, so as to indicate that they had made declaration of their membership. The membership lists were set out in Annex I.

25. The Chairman declared his membership of the Working Group on Integrated Community Services and Community Education and membership of the Advisory Committee of the Caritas Jockey Club Integrated Service for Young People – Lei Muk Shue, which were both nominal post titles and did not involve pecuniary interest. Therefore, he could continue to chair the meeting and to participate in the discussion, decision-making and voting of the matter. Besides, he decided that the Members who were concurrently the Members of the Working Group on Integrated Community Services and Community Education and Members of the Task Force on Care for the Elderly, Rehabilitation and Community Information could participate in the discussion, decision-making and voting of the matter according to section 48(12) of the Standing Orders.

26. Mr YICK Shing-chung, Angus made declaration that the Chairman of the Tsuen Wan Recreation Association was a part-time staff member at his ward office; however, all funding applications by the Tsuen Wan Recreation Association were not related to him. Mr LI Hung-por made declaration of his appointment as the President of the Tsuen Wan Recreation Association. Mr LAI Man-fai made declaration that his younger brother was a salaried staff member at the Hong Kong Children and Youth Services Jockey Club Belvedere Garden Integrated Children and Youth Services Centre.

The Chairman decided that the Members who concurrently held nominal post titles in the applicant organisations of the activities concerned could participate in the discussion, decision-making and voting of the matter according to section 48(12) of the Standing Orders.

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

- (1) he requested information on Idea Infinitive, the applicant organisation for the “Golden Oldies for the Elderly”. He noticed that the amount of DC funds under application for the activity was the highest even though the size of the target audience was only 2 800. In his opinion, a comparable target audience was also attainable even with lower amounts of DC funds being applied for, as in the case of other activities. Noting that \$120,000 of funding would be used for “Singer Performance Production Fee”, one of the items in the funding application for the activity in question, he wanted to know which singers would be invited (Mr LAU Jackson);
- (2) he enquired whether the target group of the “‘Spreading Warmth and Love in Tsuen Wan’ – Community Resource Sharing Programme” included the street sleepers in Tsuen Wan district (Mr LAM Sek-tim);
- (3) he pointed out that despite the fact that “Singer Performance Production Fee” in the funding application for the “Golden Oldies for the Elderly” amounted to \$120,000, the activity consisted of two sessions— one daytime and one evening, in which six singers would stage performances respectively. In his opinion, the definition of “singer” was ambiguous and the arrangement of inviting six performers was inflexible given that the guest list was not confirmed. Thus, he suggested that the applicant organisation should invite four to six performers (Mr LAU Cheuk-yu);
- (4) he found that the Tsuen Wan Recreation Association, My Fair Club Limited and Idea Infinitive had not set up any websites. He enquired about such information as the backgrounds and members of the organisations concerned as well as their previous records of application for DC funds (the Vice Chairman); and
- (5) he welcomed the Members’ views on the proposed list of guest singers of the “Golden Oldies for the Elderly”. In addition, in view of the concern over the grassroots in Tsuen Wan district as expressed by Members at the previous meeting, the SSCDC had invited the Caritas Community Centre – Tsuen Wan to organise the “‘Spreading Warmth and Love in Tsuen Wan’ – Community Resource Sharing Programme” and hoped to convey to the applicant organisation that street sleepers in Tsuen Wan district to the target group of the activity. Also, the necessity to set up a website by the applicant organisation was not stipulated in the Guidelines on the Tsuen Wan District Council Funds (the “Guidelines”). If Members deemed it necessary to include the above requirement in the Guidelines, the Finance and In-house Working Group and Tsuen Wan District Council (TWDC) could be tasked to endorse the proposed amendment. However, he thought that the said amendment would render it increasingly difficult for some of the local

organisations for the elderly to file funding applications. He understood that Members were not fully clear about the procedure for submission of applications for TWDC funds by local organisations. Hence, he hoped that the Secretariat would arrange another briefing on applications for DC funds in the future (the Chairman).

28. The Secretary responded as follows:

- (1) according to the Remarks in Form A as regards the funding application for the “Golden Oldies for the Elderly”, the applicant organisation would contract out the performances to production companies through open invitation for quotations. The cost would include the performance fee for the singers, and the list of guest singers would be subject to the quotations;
- (2) Members could refer to pages 1 and 2 of Form A to learn about the background of the applicant organisation and its previous record of applications for DC funds respectively. The necessity to set up a website by the applicant organisation was not stipulated in the Guidelines; and
- (3) according to section 5.2.1(a) of the Guidelines, an organisation registered under the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 622), Societies Ordinance (Chapter 151) or Inland Revenue Ordinance (Chapter 112) of the laws of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region and established wholly or mainly for the benefit of the district in which it was set up was eligible to apply for the DC funds. It was also stated on the front page of Form A that the applicant organisation was required to submit duplicates of the relevant registration documents to the Secretariat for verification.

29. After discussion and voting, the following 24 funding applications were approved with a vote of 10 in favour, 0 against and 3 abstention:

| <u>Name of Activity</u> | <u>Applicant Organisation/ Co-organiser</u> | <u>Amount Approved (\$)</u> |
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| (A) <u>Working Group on Integrated Community Services and Community Education</u> | | |
| (1) “Fight Against the Epidemic Together with Love and Care” Healthy Family Life Programme | Caritas Jockey Club Integrated Service for Young People – Lei Muk Shue | 40,000.00 |
| (2) uProject Artists in Tsuen Wan | Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups Tsuen Wan Youth S.P.O.T | 48,400.00 |

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| (3) Elderly in the House – Volunteering Programme | Boys’ and Girls’ Clubs Association of Hong Kong Sham Tseng Children and Youth Integrated Services Centre | 40,000.00 |
| (4) Let Us Create the Community in Tsuen Wan | Caritas Community Centre – Tsuen Wan | 90,000.00 |
| (5) Optimism in Tsuen Wan | Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups Tsuen Wan Youth S.P.O.T | 46,000.00 |
| (6) Summer Vacation in Tsuen Wan! | Jockey Club Riviera Gardens Lutheran Integrated Service Centre | 20,000.00 |
| (7) Artistic Vacation After Epidemic | Chinese Young Men’s Christian Association of Hong Kong Tsuen Wan Centre | 40,000.00 |
| (8) “Spreading Warmth and Love in Tsuen Wan” – Community Resource Sharing Programme | Caritas Community Centre – Tsuen Wan | 40,000.00 |
| (9) Programme for Ethnic Minority | Hong Kong Children and Youth Services Jockey Club Belvedere Garden Integrated Children and Youth Services Centre | 27,000.00 |
| (10) Unleash Your Vitality in Tsuen Wan 2020 | Jockey Club Riviera Gardens Lutheran Integrated Service Centre | 25,000.00 |
| (11) Livelihood Classroom – The Community Economy Buds | Boys’ and Girls’ Clubs Association of Hong Kong Sham Tseng Children and Youth Integrated Services Centre | 40,770.00 |
| (12) “Are You Chill Enough?” A Complete Record of Sports and Arts of the Youth | Caritas Jockey Club Integrated Service for Young People – Lei Muk Shue | 45,000.00 |
| (13) Love in Neighbourhood, Warmth to People | Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups Tsuen King Youth S.P.O.T | 40,070.00 |

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| (14) Amazing Teens – Tsuen Wan CYC Inter-school Leadership Training Programme 2020 | Hong Kong Children and Youth Services Jockey Club Belvedere Garden Integrated Children and Youth Services Centre | 37,000.00 |
| (15) Celebration for Christmas in Tsuen Wan | Tsuen Wan Recreation Association | 60,000.00 |

| <u>Name of Activity</u> | <u>Applicant Organisation/ Co-organiser</u> | <u>Amount Approved (\$)</u> |
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| (16) Celebration for Christmas Carnival cum Evening Variety Show in Lei Muk Shue | My Fair Club Limited | 60,000.00 |
| <u>(B) Task Force on Care for the Elderly, Rehabilitation and Community Information</u> | | |
| (1) Rice Dumplings for the Community 2020 | SAGE Tsuen Wan District Elderly Community Centre | 30,500.00 |
| (2) Ride Out the Difficult Times Brought by Epidemic with Hope | The Neighbourhood Advice-Action Council Wellness Manor | 35,000.00 |
| (3) “Drama in Life” Support Project For Carers | Yan Chai Hospital Fong Yock Yee Neighbourhood Elderly Centre | 38,000.00 |
| (4) Happiness in Music Support Project | SAGE Tsuen Wan District Elderly Community Centre | 39,365.00 |
| (5) Care for Neighbourhood in Lei Muk Shue | Hong Chi Lei Muk Shue Centre | 17,776.00 |
| (6) Golden Oldies for the Elderly | Idea Infnitive | 155,675.00 |
| (7) Let’s Tour the Sea, Land and Air in Tsuen Wan | The Parents’ Association of Pre-school Handicapped Children | 40,000.00 |
| (8) Visit the Countryside in Winter for Sweetness | Fu Hong Society Jockey Club Shek Wai Kok Workshop | 40,000.00 |

VIII Item 8: Any Other Business

(A) Occupational Safety and Health Promotion Campaign 2020-21

30. The Chairman said that the Occupational Safety and Health Council would provide a funding of \$40,000 for the current year to support promotional activities on occupational safety and health to be organised by the TWDC and organisations in Tsuen

Wan district. The themes for 2020/21 were “maintenance of good personal and working environment hygiene”, “safety of work at height and above ground”, “prevention of heat stroke”, “healthy diet and exercises” and “management of work stress”. The SSCDC was tasked to follow up on the said funding scheme upon endorsement by the TWDC at the meeting held on 24 April 2020. Members were asked to contact the Chairman after the meeting and propose organisations to be invited for such activities for follow-up.

(B) Date of Next Meeting

31. The Chairman reminded Members that the next meeting was scheduled for 19 June 2020 and the deadline for submission of paper was 4 June 2020.

(Post-meeting note: The 4th meeting of the SSCDC was rescheduled for 26 June 2020 in view of the epidemic.)

IX Adjournment of Meeting

32. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:47 p.m.

Tsuen Wan District Council Secretariat
3 June 2020

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