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## Minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee (3/24-25)

Date: 26 August 2024Time: 2:30 p.m.Venue: Main Conference Room, Tsuen Wan District Office

Present:

Mr CHAN Chun-chung (Vice Chairman) Ms WONG Shuk-fan, Luparker Mr NG Chun-yu Ms LAM Yuen-pun Mr CHOW Sum-ming Ms CHAN Shun-shun Mr MOK Yuen-kwan Mr MOK Yuen-kwan Mr CHAN Hiu-chun, MH Mr TSANG Tai Mr FUNG Cheuk-sum Ms WAH Mei-ling Mr WONG Kai-chun Mr LAU Chung-kong Mr CHENG Chit-pun Mr HUI Chun-fai

Government Representatives Mr KWAN Chun-kit, Eric

Ms NG Kam-yim

Ms TSE Sai-lin, Jasmine

Miss LEUNG Wai-nga, Viola

Mr LEE Wai-man

Mr LIM Kuen

Ms CHAN Sui-wun, Wendy

Assistant District Officer (Tsuen Wan), Tsuen Wan District Office District Leisure Manager (Tsuen Wan), Leisure and Cultural Services Department Deputy District Leisure Manager (Tsuen Wan) District Support, Leisure and Cultural Services Department Senior Manager (New Territories South) Promotion, Leisure and Cultural Services Department Senior Librarian (Tsuen Wan), Leisure and Cultural Services Department Senior School Development Officer (Tsuen Wan)1, Education Bureau

## Tsuen Wan District Council Secretariat Representatives

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

Ms IP Wai-ling, Jennifer (Secretary)

Miss LEUNG Wai-ching, Clementine

Executive Officer (District Council)3, Tsuen Wan District Office Executive Officer (District Council)1, Tsuen Wan District Office

Absent:

Mr KOO Yeung-pong, MH (Chairman) Mr CHU Tak-wing, MH Mr YAU Kam-ping, BBS, MH Ms CHEUNG Man-ka, Marcella Mr KOT Siu-yuen, MH

The Meeting

I Opening Remarks and Introduction

The Vice Chairman welcomed Members and representatives from government departments to the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee (CICRC).

2. The Vice Chairman introduced Mr HUI Chun-fai, who attended the meeting for the first time as a co-opted Member.

3. The Vice Chairman said that the Chairman, Mr CHU Tak-wing, Mr YAU Kamping, Ms CHEUNG Man-ka, Marcella and Mr KOT Siu-yuen had applied for absence from this meeting as they had to attend an important event organised by the Constitutional and Mainland Affairs Bureau. The applications for absence met the requirements set out in section 64(1) of the Tsuen Wan District Council Standing Orders (the "Standing Orders"). Members unanimously approved their applications for absence.

4. The Vice Chairman stated that according to the requirements stipulated in the Standing Orders, if a District Council (DC) Member found that he/she had any direct personal or pecuniary interests in a discussion item or relevant matters when attending a meeting of the Council or dealing with matters related to the Council, the DC Member should declare the interests. The Secretariat had not received any declaration of interests prior to this meeting. The Vice Chairman enquired whether Members had to make declarations of interests immediately. No Member made a declaration of interests immediately.

5. The Vice Chairman said that Members could speak once and make supplementary remarks once on each agenda item at the meeting. Each Member could speak up to two minutes in the first round of speeches and up to one minute in the second round of speeches.

II Item 1: Confirmation of Minutes of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting held on 24.6.2024

6. The Vice Chairman said that the Secretariat had not received any proposed amendment prior to this meeting. The Vice Chairman enquired whether Members had

to put forth proposed amendments immediately. No Member put forth a proposed amendment immediately. Members unanimously endorsed the captioned minutes.

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

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

## IV Item 3: Matters Relating to the Utilisation of Venues and Facilities to Organise Experience Days of Different Types of Novel Activities to Promote the Development of New Sports (TWDC CICPC P = N = 15/24.25)

(TWDC CICRC Paper No. 15/24-25)

8. The Vice Chairman said that Mr CHOW Sum-ming, Ms WAH Mei-ling, Ms LAM Yuen-pun, Mr CHAN Chun-chung, Mr WONG Kai-chun, Mr FUNG Cheuk-sum, Mr TSANG Tai, Mr CHENG Chit-pun and Mr MOK Yuen-kwan submitted the paper. The representative from the department responsible for giving responses was Ms TSE Sai-lin, Jasmine, Deputy District Leisure Manager (Tsuen Wan) District Support (DDLM(TW)DS), Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD).

9. Mr CHOW Sum-ming, Ms WAH Mei-ling, Ms LAM Yuen-pun, Mr CHAN Chunchung, Mr WONG Kai-chun, Mr FUNG Cheuk-sum, Mr TSANG Tai, Mr CHENG Chit-pun and Mr MOK Yuen-kwan introduced the paper.

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

- (1) a Member appreciated the LCSD's efforts in actively promoting various sports, including new sports. The Member also praised the LCSD for its meticulous arrangements in organising the Sport For All Day 2024, which had provided the public with a wide range of sports experiences and play-in activities that were suitable for parents and their children to participate together. In addition, the Member relayed that many members of the public hoped that the LCSD would increase the frequency of organising the Sport For All Day;
- (2) a Member suggested that the LCSD should canvass views from residents in Tsuen Wan to understand which new sports were more popular, and should made certain venues and facilities under its purview to be available for hire by members of the public or groups regularly so that they could conduct the relevant activities;
- (3) a Member proposed that in addition to Tsuen Wan Sports Centre, the LCSD could organise the Sport For All Day at other sports centres in the district on a rotational basis so as to attract more residents to participate in the event;
- (4) a Member opined that new sports groups faced a lot of difficulties in hiring venues, and suggested the LCSD provide convenience to the new sports groups that would hire venues under its purview;
- (5) a Member pointed out that the Hong Kong, China Delegation had achieved impressive results at the Paris 2024 Olympic Games, and advised that the LCSD should ride on the wave of sports fervour to further promote new

sports, with a view to providing members of the public with more choices of sports activities;

- (6) a Member suggested that the LCSD should organise interest classes in new sports, acquire additional facilities related to new sports and organise training courses for instructors of new sports;
- (7) a Member suggested the LCSD train up ambassadors of news sports in primary and secondary schools so that students would participate and assist in promoting new sports in the community;
- (8) a Member proposed that the LCSD should work with the Education Bureau (EDB), Members of the Tsuen Wan District Council (TWDC), local schools, residential care homes and non-profit organisations in the district to promote new sports. It should also organise relevant training courses or experiential activities by cooperating with new sports groups so as to provide members of the public with more exposure to new sports;
- (9) a Member pointed out that many people had never tried new sports. The Member suggested that the LCSD should organise relevant experiential activities at specific time slots for participation by the public and arrange instructors to offer guidance by their side, so that members of the public could get to know the relevant sports and experience the joy of playing new sports;
- (10) a Member suggested the EDB provide school venues for organising experiential activities of new sports so as to promote the relevant sports; and
- (11) a Member advised schools to promote new sports to parents as well as students and encourage them to partake in relevant activities.
- 11. DDLM(TW)DS of the LCSD responded as follows:
  - (1)the LCSD had all along been attaching great importance to sports development and committed to promoting "Sport For All" in the community. The Sport For All Day held in August every year was one of the highlight events for promoting "Sport For All". With a view to enhancing the public's interest in sports, the LCSD had specially offered a blend of indoor and outdoor activities (including new sports) for participants to enjoy the fun of sports, thereby allowing them to develop a habit of exercising frequently and establish a healthy lifestyle. The LCSD thanked the TWDC for its support and for becoming a supporting organisation of the Sport For All Day 2024. It also expressed gratitude to the two Sports Ambassadors (Mr CHOW Sum-ming and Mr MOK Yuen-kwan) and DC Members (including Mr CHAN Sung-ip, Mr CHAN Hiu-chun, Mr KOT Siu-yuen, Mr WONG Wai-kit, Mr FUNG Cheuk-sum, Mr NG Chun-yu, Mr TSANG Tai and Ms WONG Shuk-fan, Luparker) for attending the event that day. The Chairman of the TWDC, Mr AU Ka-shing, Billy, had accompanied Deputy Secretary for Justice, Mr Cheung Kwok-kwan, to officiate the opening ceremony of the event concerned. They had even personally taken part in the experiential activities, including the parent-child circuit training, the virtual reality game that simulated fencing and the floor curling play-in activity;

- (2) for the promotion of "Sport For All", the LCSD formulated an annual recreation and sports activities programme every year to encourage members of the public to cultivate a habit of participating in sports and physical activities regularly. This year, in addition to promoting urban sports that were popular among youngsters (such as balls games, long-distance running, sport climbing, skateboarding, breaking and futsal, etc.), the LCSD had also promoted family-based sports activities (such as parent-child badminton, parent-child frisbee, parent-child dancing and parent-child fitness exercises, etc.) to allow parents and their children to partake in more parent-child physical activities after school hours. In order to cater for special groups (including elderly persons, persons with disabilities, low-income families and youth at risk), the LCSD had specially designed a variety of recreation and sports activities for them to participate for free. In terms of developing district sports activities with local characteristics, the LCSD had all along been focusing on organising dancing activities in Tsuen Wan district since The LCSD would strengthen cooperation with the TWDC, 2016-17. district sports associations and national sports associations to identify potential athletes for further training. Apart from the Sport For All Day, the LCSD would continue to hold a number of large-scale sports events, such as sand sculpture competition, sports fun day and sports carnival, etc., with a view to promoting "Sport For All" and encouraging the public to participate in sports activities regularly;
- (3) in order to further promote "Sport For All" in the community, the LCSD adopted an open attitude towards promoting activities of new sports. It had two relevant schemes at present, namely the Pilot Scheme on Subvention for New Sports (the "Pilot Scheme") and the Trial Scheme on Opening up the Arena of Selected Sports Centres for Booking by Individuals for New Sports Activities (the "Trial Scheme"). Under the Pilot Scheme, a total of 21 sports organisations were funded to organise activities of new sports in 2023-24. Since the launch of the Trial Scheme in 2019, the LCSD had opened up the major facilities at six sports centres under its purview, allowing members of the public to conduct activities of seven designated new sports during non-peak hours, including dodgeball, dodgebee, kin-ball, korfball, tchoukball, pickleball and gateball. The LCSD would review the effectiveness of the aforementioned schemes and enhance the relevant arrangements in a timely manner; and
- (4) the LCSD would assist in and promote the development of new sports subject to the availability of resources. The Tsuen Wan District Leisure Services Office had also rented venues to new sports groups for organising activities recently.
- 12. District Leisure Manager (Tsuen Wan) of the LCSD supplemented as follows:
  - (1) the LCSD thanked the Tsuen Wan District Office, the TWDC and DC Members for supporting its promotion of "Sport For All" and the organisation of the Sport For All Day 2024. The LCSD had introduced various new sports to members of the public on the Sport For All Day 2024,

allowing more people to get to know and try out new sports. Besides, the LSCD also hoped that district groups, schools and new sports groups would promote the development of new sports together at the district level; and

- (2) the LCSD had all along been committed to promoting new sports and making new attempts in various fields. However, given that the venue resources were limited, and there were many sports activities, large-scale competitions and community activities held regularly in Tsuen Wan district, the demand for venues was keen. The LCSD hoped that schools, district groups and new sports groups would effectively utilise outdoor venues, with a view to easing the pressure on the demand for indoor venues. The LCSD would also enhance the facilities and layouts of the venues through District Minor Works Programme to ensure optimal utilisation of district resources.
- V <u>Item 4: Information Paper</u> <u>Report on the Cultural Activities in Tsuen Wan District by the Leisure and Cultural</u> <u>Services Department</u> (TWDC CICRC Paper No. 16/24-25)

13. Senior Manager (New Territories South) Promotion of the LCSD introduced the paper.

VI Any Other Business

14. Senior Librarian (Tsuen Wan) of the LCSD said that Tsuen Wan Public Library (TWPL) would hold a talk on 14 September 2024 (Saturday) from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. and a thematic book exhibition from 1 to 15 September 2024. The theme of the activities concerned was "Understand the History of the Anti-Japanese War in Hong Kong and Enhance National Feelings", hoping that members of the public would learn about the history of the War of Resistance against Japanese Aggression during the Second World War through these activities. Two descendants of the martyrs of the guerrilla force, Ms WAN Siu-ping and Ms WONG Man-chong, would be the speakers of the aforementioned talk. They would share with the public the bravery and achievements of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Independent Brigade of the East River Column and Hong Kong citizens in resisting the Japanese invasion and protecting their homeland during the Japanese occupation of Hong Kong. A quota of 60 participants was available for the talk. Members of the public who were interested in attending the talk could reserve their seats by calling the TWPL at 2490 3891.

15. Mr CHAN Hiu-chun said that the Working Group on Boosting Local Economy had launched the "Summer Lucky Draw in Tsuen Wan District" on 16 August 2024. As of 25 August 2024, the number of participants in the activity concerned had reached 1 520, and the total spending involved was approximately \$1,390,000. The end date of the lucky draw was 15 September 2024. He called on all Members to assist in promoting the activity concerned so as to attract more people to spend money in Tsuen Wan district.

VII Adjournment of Meeting

16. The Vice Chairman reminded Members that the next meeting was scheduled for

28 October 2024 (Monday) and the deadline for submission of papers was 10 October 2024 (Thursday).

<u>Tsuen Wan District Council Secretariat</u> <u>30 August 2024</u>