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Minutes of the 5th Meeting of Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee (4/24-25)

Date: 28 October 2024

Time : 2:30 p.m.

Venue : Main Conference Room, Tsuen Wan District Office

Present:

Mr KOO Yeung-pong, MH (Chairman)

Mr CHAN Chun-chung (Vice Chairman)

Ms WONG Shuk-fan, Luparker

Mr NG Chun-yu

Mr CHU Tak-wing, MH

Ms LAM Yuen-pun

Mr CHOW Sum-ming

Mr YAU Kam-ping, BBS, MH

Ms CHEUNG Man-ka

Ms CHAN Shun-shun

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 KOT Siu-yuen, MH

Mr LAU Chung-kong

Mr CHENG Chit-pun

Mr HUI Chun-fai

Government Representatives

Mr KWAN Chun-kit, Eric District Officer (Tsuen Wan) (Acting),

Tsuen Wan District Office

Ms TSE Sai-lin, Jasmine Deputy District Leisure Manager (Tsuen

Wan) District Support, Leisure and

Cultural Services Department

Miss LEUNG Wai-nga, Viola Senior Manager (New Territories South)

Promotion, Leisure and Cultural Services

Department

Mr LEE Wai-man Senior Librarian (Tsuen Wan), Leisure

and Cultural Services Department

Mr YEUNG Wai-chung, Niko School Development Officer (Tsuen

Wan)3, Education Bureau

Tsuen Wan District Council Secretariat Representatives

Mr LIM Kuen Senior Executive Officer (District

Council), Tsuen Wan District Office

Ms IP Wai-ling, Jennifer (Secretary) Executive Officer (District Council)3,

Tsuen Wan District Office

Miss LEUNG Wai-ching, Clementine Executive Officer (District Council)1,

Tsuen Wan District Office

The Meeting

I Opening Remarks and Introduction

The Chairman welcomed Members and representatives from government departments to the 5th meeting of the Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee (CICRC).

- 2. The Chairman stated that according to the requirements stipulated in the Tsuen Wan District Council Standing Orders (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. In regard to the subject matter of recommending local groups to organise promotional activities on occupational safety and health under Any Other Business, the Secretariat had received declarations of interests made by the following Members:
 - (1) Tsuen Wan Kwai Tsing Residents ASSN (荃灣葵青居民聯會): both the Chairman and Vice Chairman served as the Vice Chairman. Mr YAU Kamping served as the Honorary Advisor. Mr CHU Tak-wing served as the Honorary President. Ms WAH Mei-ling served as the Advisor; and
 - (2) Tsuen Wan Kwai Tsing Residents Association (荃灣葵青坊眾會): both Mr YAU Kam-ping and Mr CHU Tak-wing served as the Honorary President. Mr KOT Siu-yuen, Mr CHENG Chit-pun and Ms LAM Yuen-pun served as the Honorary Advisor.

The Chairman of the Tsuen Wan District Council (TWDC) decided that the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Mr YAU Kam-ping, Mr CHU Tak-wing, Ms WAH Mei-ling, Mr KOT Siu-yuen, Mr CHENG Chit-pun and Ms LAM Yuen-pun could not take part in the discussion, resolution and voting of the subject matter concerned. Yet, they might remain in the meeting as observers and were not required to withdraw from the discussion of the agenda item concerned. The Chairman of the TWDC made the above decision on the ground that the Members concerned might have a relatively close relationship with the beneficiaries. Besides, pursuant to section 79 of the Standing Orders, the Chairman of the TWDC might appoint a DC Member to be the Deputy Chairman of the CICRC to preside at the meeting on a temporarily basis. The Chairman of the TWDC had appointed Mr MOK Yuen-kwan to be the Deputy Chairman and to preside over the discussion of the agenda item concerned.

3. The 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 <u>Item 1: Confirmation of Minutes of the 4th Meeting held on 26.8.2024</u>

4. The Chairman said that the Secretariat had not received any proposed amendment prior to this meeting. The 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 Meetings

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

IV <u>Item 3: Proposals for Making Good Use of and Promoting Tourism Resources of Tsuen Wan</u>

(TWDC CICRC Paper No. 18/24-25)

- 6. The Chairman said that Mr WONG Kai-chun, Ms WAH Mei-ling, Ms CHAN Shun-shun, Mr TSANG Tai, Mr CHENG Chit-pun, Mr CHOW Sum-ming, Mr CHAN Chun-chung and Mr MOK Yuen-kwan submitted the paper. Besides, the consolidated written reply of the Tourism Commission (TC), Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department (AFCD), Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) and Hong Kong Tourism Board (HKTB) was tabled at the meeting.
- 7. Mr WONG Kai-chun, Ms WAH Mei-ling, Ms CHAN Shun-shun, Mr TSANG Tai, Mr CHENG Chit-pun, Mr CHOW Sum-ming, Mr CHAN Chun-chung and Mr MOK Yuen-kwan introduced the paper.
- 8. The views and enquiries of Members were summarised as follows:
 - (1) a Member suggested promoting the country trails and temples in Tsuen Wan;
 - (2) a Member suggested setting up photo-taking spots at different attractions in Tsuen Wan (including Homi Villa and Lido Beach situated along Castle Peak Road Ting Kau, Tsuen Wan);
 - (3) a Member proposed launching a website, a mobile application and/or a guided tour map that introduced attractions in Tsuen Wan to consolidate and disseminate tourist information about Tsuen Wan (such as celebratory events, attractions with special characteristics and local delicacies), as well as to offer tourists with itinerary suggestions and transportation guide;
 - (4) a Member suggested making effective use of the beaches in Tsuen Wan to organise various activities, such as water sports that were suitable for families to participate in. Besides, the Member pointed out that two dragon boat races had been held at the waters off Tsuen Wan Promenade in 2024, and therefore opined that the promenade concerned and Tsuen Wan Riviera Park should be promoted. The Member further suggested putting up additional lighting decorations at Tsuen Wan Promenade and producing event calendars,

- so as to attract members of the public and visitors;
- (5) a Member pointed out that various online media had introduced Tai Mo Shan as a recommended spot for stargazing, which had attracted many visitors. The Member suggested riding on the wave of stargazing fervour to promote Tai Mo Shan as a tourist attraction. In addition to Tai Mo Shan, the Member also proposed establishing Tsuen Wan Park as a recommended spot for enjoying the sunset and starry night, as it was well served by public transport services and was highly accessible to members of the public and visitors;
- (6) a Member pointed out that many mainland tourists visiting Hong Kong had chosen to return on the same day. The Member suggested offering immersive travel activities or experiences to tourists, with a view to attracting their participation and extending their stay in Hong Kong;
- (7) a Member opined that students in Tsuen Wan district should be encouraged to learn about the history and culture of Hong Kong and deepen their understanding of the community through visiting the local historical heritage and attractions. In addition, the Member suggested organising guided tours for historical heritage and attractions. Students from secondary and primary schools in the district could help with the introduction of the attractions concerned so as to enhance the participation of schools in promoting tourism in Tsuen Wan;
- (8) a Member pointed out that Ma Wan Park Phase 2 would soon be opened, and suggested promoting attractions in areas such as Ma Wan and Sham Tsang to attract visitors;
- (9) a Member proposed strengthening the repairs and maintenance of attractions, including pruning of trees and weeds near the attractions in a timely manner to prevent them from affecting the landscape;
- (10) a Member opined that the consumption power of younger visitors was relatively low. Therefore, the Member suggested developing home-stay lodgings as well as youth hostels and providing accommodation subsidies to such visitors;
- (11) a Member suggested incorporating the thematic element of giant pandas at various attractions in Tsuen Wan;
- (12) a Member proposed organising competitions to encourage residents in Tsuen Wan district to put forward innovative proposals on promoting local tourism; and
- (13) a Member suggested that a "Quality Service" logo should be awarded to the merchants or attraction operators whose service quality met the specified standards.
- 9. Mr KWAN Chun-kit, Eric, District Officer (Tsuen Wan) (Acting) (DO(TW)(Atg.)) of the Tsuen Wan District Office (TWDO), said that the TC, AFCD, LCSD and HKTB had already replied in writing with regard to the suggestions set out in the paper. He thanked Members for putting forward a number of suggestions on making good use of the tourism resources in Tsuen Wan and promoting local tourism. The Secretariat would covey Members' views to relevant departments for consideration. The TWDO was willing to make complementary efforts with relevant departments in promoting

local tourism. It would also study and take forward the work concerned together with the committees or relevant working groups under the TWDC.

10. The Chairman asked the Secretariat to convey Members' suggestions to relevant departments for consideration.

(Post-meeting note: The Secretariat conveyed Members' suggestions to relevant departments for consideration on 28 November 2024.)

V <u>Item 4: Information Paper</u>

Half-yearly Report on the Community Involvement Programme 2024/25 by the Tsuen Wan District Office (From April to September 2024)

(TWDC CICRC Paper No. 19/24-25)

11. DO(TW)(Atg.) of the TWDO introduced the paper.

VI <u>Item 5: Information Paper</u>

Report on the Recreational and Sports Activities in Tsuen Wan District by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (From April to September 2024) (TWDC CICRC Paper No. 20/24-25)

- 12. Ms TSE Sai-lin, Jasmine, Deputy District Leisure Manager (Tsuen Wan) District Support (DDLM(TW)DS) of the LSCD, introduced the paper.
- 13. DDLM(TW)DS of the LCSD expressed gratitude to the two Sports Ambassadors (Mr CHOW Sum-ming and Mr MOK Yuen-kwan) for serving as the judges at the sand sculpture competition on 27 October 2024. She also thanked the DC Members for forming teams to join the aforesaid competition.
- 14. The views of Members were summarised as follows:
 - (1) a Member thanked the LCSD for organising different activities for public participation;
 - (2) a Member suggested incorporating the element of celebrating the National Day into the activities which were held in October every year; and
 - (3) a Member proposed organising a sand sculpture competition cum music festival.

VII <u>Item 6: Information Paper</u>

Report on the Cultural Activities in Tsuen Wan District by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department

(TWDC CICRC Paper No. 21/24-25)

- 15. Miss LEUNG Wai-nga, Viola, Senior Manager (New Territories South) Promotion (SM(NTS)P) of the LCSD introduced the paper.
- 16. The Chairman enquired about the number of sessions of the performance "Danny Summer & The Legacy Band" held on 27 and 28 September 2024.

17. SM(NTS)P) of the LCSD advised that a total of three sessions of the performance concerned has been held.

VIII <u>Item 7: Information Paper</u>

Half-yearly Report on the Promotional Activities of Public Libraries in Tsuen Wan District by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (From April to September 2024)

(TWDC CICRC Paper No. 22/24-25)

18. Mr LEE Wai-man, Senior Librarian (Tsuen Wan) of the LCSD, introduced the paper.

IX Any Other Business

- 19. The Chairman said that the TWDC had discussed at its meeting on 24 September 2024 the matter of applying for grants under the Community Involvement Fund to produce fai chun and red packet envelopes of the TWDC. The Secretariat had already canvassed Members' views earlier by circulation of documents, and Members had agreed to apply for grants under the Community Involvement Fund for the aforesaid matter in the name of the CICRC. The application concerned had been approved. The Secretariat had started the procurement procedure of the items concerned.
- 20. The Chairman said that the Chairman of the TWDC had appointed Mr MOK Yuenkwan to be the Deputy Chairman and to preside over the discussion of recommending local groups to organise promotional activities on occupational safety and health. The Chairman asked the Deputy Chairman to take over the chair.
- 21. The Deputy Chairman said that the Occupational Safety and Health Council would provide a subsidy of \$40,000 this year to support the TWDC and local groups in organising promotional activities on occupational safety and health. The Secretariat had invited Members through emails earlier to recommend organisations for holding such activities. The nominated organisations were Tsuen Wan Kwai Tsing Residents ASSN (荃灣葵青居民聯會) (recommended by Ms WONG Shuk-fan, Luparker) and Tsuen Wan Kwai Tsing Residents Association (荃灣葵青坊眾會) (recommended by the Chairman and Ms WONG Shuk-fan, Luparker). The Deputy Chairman asked if Members supported the organisation of promotional activities on occupational safety and health by the aforementioned organisations. Members unanimously agreed with the above recommendations.

(Post-meeting note: The Secretariat sent invitation letters to Tsuen Wan Kwai Tsing Residents ASSN (荃灣葵青居民聯會) and Tsuen Wan Kwai Tsing Residents Association (荃灣葵青坊眾會) on 31 October 2024.)

22. The Chairman said that the 58th Hong Kong Brands and Products Expo (HKBPE) organised by the Chinese Manufacturers' Association of Hong Kong would be held at Victoria Park from 14 December 2024 to 6 January 2025. The organiser had invited

the TWDC to arrange performing units to perform during the HKBPE, and each performing unit would receive an allowance of \$3,000. Upon searching through the records, the Secretariat found that the TWDC had never arranged performing units to perform at the HKBPE at the invitation of the organiser in the past. After discussion, the CICRC would write to local schools and art groups to invite the schools or groups that were interested in performing at the HKBPE on behalf of Tsuen Wan district.

(Post-meeting note: The Secretariat sent invitation letters to schools and art groups in the district on 28 October 2024.)

X Adjournment of Meeting

23. The Chairman reminded Members that the next meeting was scheduled for 30 December 2024 (Monday) and the deadline for submission of papers was 11 December 2024 (Wednesday).

<u>Tsuen Wan District Council Secretariat</u> 11 November 2024