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Minutes of the 10<sup>th</sup> Meeting of  
District Facilities and Works Committee (3/25-26)

Date: 18 August 2025

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Venue: Main Conference Room, Tsuen Wan District Office

Present:

Mr WONG Wai-kit, MH (Chairman)

Mr NG Chun-yu (Vice Chairman)

Mr KOO Yeung-pong, MH

Mr CHU Tak-wing, MH

Ms LAM Yuen-pun

Mr CHOW Sum-ming

Mr YAU Kam-ping, BBS, MH

Dr LEUNG Cheong-ming, Raymond, MH, JP

Mr CHAN Chun-chung

Ms CHAN Shun-shun

Mr CHAN Sung-ip, BBS, MH

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 CHUNG Chin-to

Ms SO Ching-yin

Government Representatives

Mr CHEUNG Chak-ho, Alex

Assistant District Officer (Tsuen Wan), Tsuen Wan District Office

Mr HO Kwok-yan, Philip

Senior Liaison Officer (2), Tsuen Wan District Office

Mr CHOW Ming-fai

Senior Inspector of Works, Tsuen Wan District Office

Mr LEUNG Siu-ming, David

Architect (Works) 8, Home Affairs Department

Ms MAN Yuen-ling, Rachel

Chief Leisure Manager (New Territories West), Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Ms NG Kam-yim

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

Miss LEUNG Wai-nga, Viola	Senior Manager (New Territories South) Promotion, Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Mr YAU Wai-kit, Angus	Senior Librarian (Tsuen Wan), Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Ms LAM Pui-sze, Millicent	Executive Officer (Planning) 32, Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Mr HAO Zhipeng, Robin	Engineer/37 (West), Civil Engineering and Development Department
Mr LO Sai-cheong	Senior Engineer/Mainland South 2, Drainage Services Department
Mr TAM Wai-ho	Engineer/New Territories West (Distribution 1), Water Supplies Department
Mr WONG Hei-long, Ken	District Engineer/Tsuen Wan, Highways Department

Tsuen Wan District Council Secretariat Representatives

Mr LIM Kuen	Senior Executive Officer (District Council), Tsuen Wan District Office
Miss LEUNG Tsz-wai, Apple (Secretary)	Executive Officer I (District Council), Tsuen Wan District Office
Miss CHAN Hiu-yuen, Virginia	Executive Assistant (Community Involvement) 4, Tsuen Wan District Office

In Attendance:

For discussion of Item 2

Ms LAM Hang-ling, Sara	Administrative Assistant/Lands (District Lands Office, Tsuen Wan and Kwai Tsing), Lands Department
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Absent:

Mr LI Kin-man

I Opening Remarks and Introduction

The Chairman welcomed Members and representatives from government departments to the 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of the District Facilities and Works Committee (DFWC). He also introduced Mr LO Sai-cheong, Senior Engineer/Mainland South 2, Drainage Services Department (DSD), who attended this meeting on behalf of Mr HO Kit-ming.

2. The Chairman informed Members that Mr LI Kin-man was unable to attend this meeting due to other commitments.

3. The Chairman stated that according to the requirements stipulated in the

Tsuen Wan District Council 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 the meeting. The Chairman enquired whether Members had to make declarations of interests immediately. No Member made a declaration of interests immediately.

4. The Chairman stated that at the meeting, Members could speak and make supplementary remarks on each agenda item once respectively. Members 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 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 16.6.2025

5. The Chairman stated that the Secretariat had not received any proposed amendment prior to the 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 minutes.

III Item 2: Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Previous Meetings  
Paragraphs 22 to 29 of the Minutes of the Meeting held on 16 June 2025:  
Request for Improvement to the Facilities and Environment of the Idle  
Government Land on Castle Peak Road – Ting Kau near the Bus Stop at  
Golden Villa

6. The Chairman stated that the representatives from the departments responsible for giving responses were:

- (1) Ms NG Kam-yim, District Leisure Manager (Tsuen Wan) (DLM(TW)), Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD); and
- (2) Ms LAM Hang-ling, Sara, Administrative Assistant/Lands (District Lands Office, Tsuen Wan and Kwai Tsing) (AA/L(DLO)), Lands Department (LandsD).

Besides, the written reply of the Planning Department was tabled at the meeting.

7. DLM(TW) of the LCSD reported as follows:

- (1) the LCSD was mainly responsible for carrying out beautification works and maintenance work for roadside plants at the location concerned;
- (2) as the mosquito infestation index was on the rise recently, the LCSD had already arranged a contractor to remove weeds on the flower-beds and carry out plant beautification work; and
- (3) the location concerned partially fell on non-government land, where a slope and leaked water mains existed. The departments concerned would look into and deal with these matters.

8. AA/L(DLO) of the LandsD reported that the slope in question was a registered slope. The LandsD would follow up on the leaked water mains at the location with the department concerned.

(Post-meeting note: The Water Supplies Department completed the repairs for the water mains concerned on 2 September 2025.)

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

- (1) a Member thanked the LCSD for promptly improving the environment of the location concerned, which benefitted people living there; and
- (2) a Member opined that there were significant improvements to the environment and hygiene condition of the location concerned. The Member also suggested that the LandsD should assist with the follow-up on the slope and water mains there, and should remove weeds regularly.

10. The Chairman expressed his gratitude for the LCSD's quick action to improve the environment of the location concerned. He also suggested that the DFWC should cease the discussion on the captioned item under the Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Previous Meetings.

IV Item 3: Enhancement of the Uneven Pavement Surfaces at Pak Lam Road, Ma Wan  
(TWDC DFWC Paper No. 12/25-26)

11. The Chairman stated that Mr CHAN Sung-ip submitted the paper. The representatives from the departments responsible for giving responses were:

- (1) Ms NG Kam-yim, DLM(TW), LCSD; and
- (2) Mr WONG Hei-long, Ken, District Engineer/Tsuen Wan (DE/TW), Highways Department (HyD).

Besides, the written reply of the LCSD was tabled at the meeting.

12. Mr CHAN Sung-ip introduced the paper.

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

- (1) a Member said that the paving blocks of the pavement had become uneven due to the growth of roots of trees on both sides of Pak Lam Road towards the road. Previously, an elder had even tripped and fallen on this uneven pavement. Thanks to the prompt responses of the HyD and LCSD, the situation had been improved. The Member suggested that the departments should follow up on the issue with a view to alleviating the problem of uneven road surfaces caused by tree roots in the long run;
- (2) a Member said that the problem of uneven paving blocks caused by tree

roots was common among several districts. Also, the Member suggested that the departments concerned should give due consideration to the tree species to be planted at the roadside. For example, the departments should select shorter tree species or those with smaller buttress roots in order to prevent tree roots from pushing up paving blocks;

- (3) a Member thanked the HyD for swiftly repairing lifted paving blocks in Ma Wan and around Belvedere Garden, ensuring pedestrian safety; and
- (4) a Member enquired how the HyD repaired uneven paving blocks.

14. DLM(TW) of the LCSD responded as follows:

- (1) the staff of the tree team under the LCSD had previously conducted an on-site inspection with the Members concerned and representatives from the HyD. She learnt that the HyD had promptly carried out road surface repairs in response to the problem of uneven road surfaces at the location concerned;
- (2) the LCSD was responsible for maintaining the trees on both sides of Pak Lam Road. Such maintenance work included conducting timely tree inspections, rectifying structural problems of trees and tackling dead tree roots;
- (3) the LCSD would plant trees by adhering to the “Right Tree” principle. Also, the LCSD would abide by the relevant guidelines of the Development Bureau. When selecting trees to be planted on pavements, the LCSD would consider the sizes of tree species and types of tree roots, as well as whether the location concerned had sufficient space for trees to grow healthily in the long term; and
- (4) when planting trees, the LCSD would pay attention to whether tree pits had sufficient space to allow the downward development of tree roots. It would also refrain from planting trees within roadside planting strips with a thin layer of soil.

15. DE/TW of the HyD responded as follows:

- (1) the HyD was mainly responsible for the repair and maintenance of road systems. It would complement the tree preservation work of the LCSD and re-lay paving blocks at the location concerned where necessary; and
- (2) if the HyD identified the existence of uneven paving blocks due to the growth of roadside tree roots, it would discuss with the LCSD and consider whether the tree roots should be partially removed having regard to the health of the tree in question. If the LCSD recommended the removal of tree roots, the HyD would re-lay paving blocks at the location concerned upon the LCSD’s removal of tree roots. As for an area for which the removal of tree roots was not recommended, the HyD would level it by using cement mortar.

V Item 4: Progress Report on Major Public Works Projects in Tsuen Wan District

(TWDC DFWC Paper No. 13/25-26)

16. The Chairman stated that the Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) would report to Members on the progress of major public works projects in Tsuen Wan district half yearly. The representative from the CEDD attending the meeting was Mr HAO Zhipeng, Robin, Engineer/37 (West) (E/37(W)).

17. E/37(W) of the CEDD introduced the paper.

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

(1) a Member commended the DSD for effectively tackling multiple flooding incidents in Tsuen Wan district when the black rainstorm signal had been in force earlier;

(2) “Extension of Footbridge Network in Tsuen Wan – Footbridge B along Tai Chung Road and Hoi Shing Road” (Project Code: 145TB) had been under discussion for years. A Member said that according to the captioned paper, the detailed design of the project had been completed. The Member therefore enquired about the current status of the funding application and the specific works schedule; and

(Post-meeting note: A representative of the HyD contacted the DC Member of the area concerned (Mr KOT Siu-yuen) to further explain the progress of the Footbridge B project on 19 August 2025. The representative also informed him that an application for earmarking funds for this project had already been submitted. The bureau would consider this project and other government projects as a whole in order to make arrangements accordingly.)

(3) a Member enquired about the latest planning direction and progress of the remaining section of “Cycle Track between Tsuen Wan and Tuen Mun” (Project Code: 268RS), i.e. the section between Bayview Garden in Tsuen Wan and Tuen Mun.

(Post-meeting note: A representative of the CEDD contacted the DC Member of the area concerned (Mr KOT Siu-yuen) to further explain the progress of the project on 19 August 2025. The representative also informed him that the Government would continuously review the priority of works projects under planning. The Government would also appropriately adjust the implementation progress according to the latest developments, including the policy developments and its financial position.)

19. E/37(W) of the CEDD noted the views of Members, and would convey their enquiries to the departments concerned for follow-up.

VI Item 5: Information Paper  
Report on the Management of Recreational and Sports Facilities in Tsuen Wan District by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department  
(TWDC DFWC Paper No. 14/25-26)

20. DLM(TW) of the LCSD introduced the paper. She also briefed Members on the renovation works of Tsuen Wan Sports Centre, reopening arrangements for the skateboard grounds of Kwok Shui Road Park, details of adjusting the pool floor of Shing Mun Valley Swimming Pool, and the Transformation of Public Play Spaces (TPPS). Moreover, she said residents of Sam Tung Uk Village had conveyed that as there was a basketball court near the village, noise generated by people playing basketball had disturbed the rest or sleep of residents. Having discussed the matter with the village representatives, the LCSD proposed revising the opening hours of the basketball court in Sam Tung Uk Village Playground from 7:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

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

- (1) pointing out the inclusion of Tsuen Fu Street Garden in the TPPS, a Member said that this garden had all along been popular among residents. Given its proximity to bus stops, the garden was also well connected by public transport. The Member enquired about the details and direction of the transformation plan of the garden;
- (2) a Member recommended the installation of electricity supply facilities at Tsuen Fu Street Garden to facilitate the organisation of community activities. In view of the garden's sunken ground level and proximity to bus stops, the Member proposed widening the pavement by adjusting the boundary between the garden and pavement as well as partially shrinking the garden. The Member also recommended the addition of railings or shelters to enhance pedestrian safety;
- (3) Tsuen Kwai Street Sitting-Out Area was located in the vicinity of Tsuen Fu Street Garden. There was a Hong Kong Jockey Club Off-course Betting Branch opposite the sitting-out area. A large number of bettors would gather at the branch on race days, resulting in relatively poor environmental hygiene. As such, a Member proposed that the sitting-out area should be included in the TPPS with a view to carrying out improvement works for it; and
- (4) the follow-up work carried out by various departments after the recent extreme weather events was recognised by a Member. The Member also suggested that the departments concerned should enhance the clearance of fallen dead trees. Moreover, as being washed by rainwater, a number of road surfaces in the urban area had become uneven and paving blocks had sunk, which would easily give rise to mosquito infestation as well as trips and falls among elders. The

Member recommended that the departments concerned should enhance inspections and repair the damaged road surfaces as soon as possible.

22. DLM(TW) of the LCSD responded that the LCSD would progressively implement the transformation works for the five locations recommended under the TPPS. Specific design proposals were unavailable for the time being. Under the TPPS, reference would be drawn from the mode previously adopted in the transformation of children's playground facilities at Pak Lam Road Garden and Tsuen Wan Park (Phase 2). The contractors or works departments would carry out the transformation works as dedicated projects, and would conduct district consultations in the design stage. They would invite members of the community, stakeholders and schools to participate in the consultations and collect their specific views on the types of playground facilities and design preferences. The LCSD noted Members' suggestions for Tsuen Fu Street Garden, and would invite Members to give views during the implementation of the transformation works concerned.

23. The Chairman indicated that the follow-up on fallen trees and damaged road surfaces in the wake of extreme weather events fell within the purview of different departments. He also suggested that the departments concerned should follow up on and tackle the said matters.

24. Members noted the captioned paper from the LCSD.

VII Item 6: Information Paper  
Report on the Usage of Performance Venues in Tsuen Wan District by the  
Leisure and Cultural Services Department  
(TWDC DFWC Paper No. 15/25-26)

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

26. Members noted the captioned paper from the LCSD.

VIII Item 7: Information Paper  
Report on the Usage of Public Libraries in Tsuen Wan District by the Leisure  
and Cultural Services Department  
(TWDC DFWC Paper No. 16/25-26)

27. Senior Librarian (Tsuen Wan) of the LCSD introduced the paper.

28. Members noted the captioned paper from the LCSD.

IX Item 8: Any Other Business  
29. There was no other business.

X        Adjournment of Meeting

30.        The Chairman reminded Members that the next meeting was scheduled for 20 October 2025 and the deadline for submission of papers was 2 October 2025.

Tsuen Wan District Council Secretariat

5 September 2025