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Minutes of the 3rd Meeting of Tsuen Wan District Council (3/2024)

Date: 26 March 2024

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Venue: Main Conference Room, Tsuen Wan District Office

Present:

Chairman

Mr AU Ka-shing, Billy, JP (District Officer (Tsuen Wan), Tsuen Wan District Office)

Members

Ms WONG Shuk-fan, Luparker

Mr KOO Yeung-pong, MH

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, Marcella

Mr 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 Wai-kit, MH

Mr WONG Kai-chun

Mr KOT Siu-yuen, MH

Mr LAU Chung-kong

Mr CHENG Chit-pun

Government Representatives

Mr LEE Soeng-him, Sean

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

Ms TAM Wing-sze, Winnie

Senior Liaison Officer (1), Tsuen Wan District Office

Mr HO Kwok-yan, Philip

Senior Liaison Officer (2), Tsuen Wan District Office

Mr YUNG Ho-wai, Anthony

Senior Liaison Officer (3), Tsuen Wan District Office

Mr KWONG Chi-wing, Denis

Senior Executive Officer (District Management), Tsuen

	Wan District Office
Mr LAW Ka-hong, Alex	District Commander (Tsuen Wan), Hong Kong Police Force
Mr FUNG Chi-ho, Eric	Police Community Relations Officer (Tsuen Wan), Hong Kong Police Force
Ms WONG Siu-fan, Phoebe	District Social Welfare Officer (Tsuen Wan/Kwai Tsing), Social Welfare Department
Ms HO Mun-ye, Money	District Lands Officer/Tsuen Wan and Kwai Tsing (District Lands Office, Tsuen Wan and Kwai Tsing), Lands Department
Mr YU Hok-chi, Raymond	Administrative Assistant/Lands (District Lands Office, Tsuen Wan and Kwai Tsing), Lands Department
Mr WONG Wai-lim, William	Chief Transport Officer/NT South West (Acting), Transport Department
Mrs LAI CHAN Wai-fan, Clara	Chief Manager/Management (Wong Tai Sin, Tsing Yi and Tsuen Wan), Housing Department
Mr HUNG Sai-kit	District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Tsuen Wan), Food and Environmental Hygiene Department
Mr HO Kai-ho, Stanley	Chief Engineer/West 4, Civil Engineering and Development Department
Ms LIM Ting-ting, Sylvia	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
Mr LIM Kuen (Secretary)	Senior Executive Officer (District Council), Tsuen Wan District Office
Miss LEUNG Tsz-wai, Apple	Executive Officer I (District Council), Tsuen Wan District Office

For discussion of item 3

Mr SO Yeung-fung	Chief Health Inspector (Tsuen Wan) ¹ , Food and Environmental Hygiene Department
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I Opening Remarks and Introduction

The Chairman welcomed Members and representatives from government departments to the 3rd meeting of the Tsuen Wan District Council (TWDC) and introduced:

- (1) Mr LAW Ka-hong, Alex, District Commander (Tsuen Wan) (DC(TW)), Hong Kong Police Force (HKPF), who attended a meeting of the TWDC for the first time; and
- (2) Mr WONG Wai-lim, William, Chief Transport Officer/NT South West (Acting) (CTO/NTSW (Atg.)), Transport Department (TD), who

attended this meeting on behalf of Mr MOK Ka-sing, Mark.

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. 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.

3. The Chairman stated that there were numerous items on the agenda and therefore asked Members to speak as concisely as possible. 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 2nd Meeting held on 30.1.2024

4. The Chairman stated that the Secretariat had not received any proposed amendments 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

5. The Chairman stated that there were no matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting. The Secretariat had collected reports from all Members which entailed their studies on Municipal Solid Waste Charging (MSW charging) and the views on MSW charging they sought from local residents. The Tsuen Wan District Office (TWDO) was reviewing the reports, and would forward them to the Environmental Protection Department (EPD) for its consideration.

(Post-meeting note: The Secretariat forwarded Members’ reports to the EPD on 3 April 2024.)

IV Item 3: Annual District Plan for Tsuen Wan District 2024/25 by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (TWDC Paper No. 14/2024)

6. The Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) would brief Members on the review of its work in 2023/24, the strategies and action plans for

improving environmental hygiene in 2024/25, as well as its work on public markets and hawkers. The representatives from the FEHD attending the meeting were:

- (1) Mr HUNG Sai-kit, District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Tsuen Wan) (DEHS(TW)), FEHD; and
- (2) Mr SO Yeung-fung, Chief Health Inspector (Tsuen Wan)¹, FEHD.

7. DEHS(TW) of the FEHD introduced the paper.

8. Ms LAM Yuen-pun said that the power supply system of Chai Wan Kok Cooked Food Market had been experiencing problems persistently. Having learnt that the FEHD planned to upgrade the power supply systems of cooked food centres in the district, she enquired whether Chai Wan Kok Cooked Food Market would be included in this project. Moreover, the Joint Office (JO) for investigation of reports on water seepage in buildings had been set up by the FEHD and the Buildings Department. The Scheme of Participation by Property Management Agents in Tackling Water Seepage in Residential Building (the “Scheme”) had also been rolled out by the customer service team under the JO. She enquired of the FEHD on its approach to encourage property management companies to join the Scheme. She also proposed awarding the title of “Quality Property Management Company” to property management companies with good performance as an encouragement. Finally, she enquired on the types of “specified locations” which were of grave concern as mentioned in the paper. She suggested that locations where bird droppings were often found in large quantities (e.g. a walkway off Blocks A and B, Allway Gardens) should also be included in the list of “specified locations”.

9. DEHS(TW) of the FEHD responded as follows:

- (1) the FEHD was exploring the arrangements for the upgrading of power supply systems at the cooked food centres together with the Architectural Services Department and the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department. It would report the details of the works to the stall tenants and the Market Management Consultative Committees (MMCCs) concerned in due course;
- (2) the New Territories West Regional Joint Office was responsible for handling cases of water seepage in buildings in Tsuen Wan district. The FEHD would contact the property management companies concerned and encourage them to join the Scheme. The FEHD could then seek assistance from the companies in conducting preliminary investigations and following up on cases of water seepage. The department hoped that the problem of water seepage in the district could therefore be tackled more effectively; and
- (3) apart from non-gazetted beaches and public places, the FEHD would also clear refuse from slopes, nullahs, and natural or dredged

watercourses according to the actual circumstances. The FEHD would pay extra attention to individual locations with a heavy presence of bird droppings and arrange special cleansing operations. If the situation concerned arose repeatedly, the FEHD would increase the frequency of the cleansing work.

10. Mr CHAN Chun-chung complimented the FEHD on the installation of solar photovoltaic systems and sensor-activated touch-free devices at refuse collection points in rural areas. Having noted that fully-enclosed refuse collection facilities with new design would be installed at 500 locations across the territory, he enquired whether some of these locations fell within Tsuen Wan district. Moreover, he pointed out that many old bicycles had been left abandoned at the roadside in the district for long, causing environmental hygiene problems. He thus enquired how the FEHD would handle and remove abandoned bicycles.

11. DEHS(TW) of the FEHD responded as follows:

- (1) three different designs of refuse collection bins were currently set up at refuse collection points in rural areas, namely, solar-powered compacting refuse bins, solar-powered aluminium refuse collection points and foot-pedal type aluminium refuse collection points. These refuse collection facilities were provided at a total of 11 locations in the district for the time being, including Ham Tin Tsuen at Kwok Shui Road in Tsuen Wan, Chung Kuk Terrace at Fu Yung Shan Road, Yi Pei Chun Road, Sin Har Tung, Sun Mun Tin, Gemini Beaches, Sham Hong Road in Sham Tseng, Kwong Pan Tin Village (Section II), Sheung Kwai Chung Village, Wang Lung Village in Chuen Lung, and Tung Lam Terrace. The FEHD would continuously look for potential locations suitable for setting up refuse collection facilities with new design in order to improve environmental hygiene and upgrade the existing facilities; and
- (2) the FEHD would actively participate in inter-departmental joint operations coordinated by the TWDO to remove illegally parked bicycles at roadside railings and handle abandoned bicycles. It would also arrange street washing services having regard to the actual circumstances.

12. Mr KOO Yeung-pong said that the FEHD had caught a total of about 45 400 live rodents in 2022 and about 63 300 live rodents in 2023. On comparison, the figure roughly increased by 39%. He enquired whether the FEHD had adopted new methods for catching rodents apart from employing the conventional strategies such as the application of rodent baits and cage traps. Additionally, he pointed out that besides abandoning bicycles, residents would also place trolleys and suitcases on the street. He enquired whether the FEHD had regularly conducted joint clearance

operations in response to the said situation. He also proposed setting up a complaint hotline for residents to provide photos and report locations related to the situation.

13. DEHS(TW) of the FEHD responded as follows:

- (1) the number of rodents caught in the district at nighttime by the FEHD's overnight rodent control teams had significantly increased from 417 rodents in 2022 to 883 rodents in 2023. The FEHD would continue its anti-rodent efforts and adopt a range of strategies (e.g. strengthening the work on controlling and disinfesting rodents at rodent black spots) with a view to alleviating the rodent problem in the district; and
- (2) the trolleys on the street were probably placed by employees of nearby shops. The FEHD would remove abandoned objects including trolleys which hindered its street sweeping work. The department would also take enforcement actions at locations where the said situation was serious.

14. Ms WAH Mei-ling said that the upgrading of the power supply system at Heung Che Street Market involved the remits of several departments. Some stall tenants of the market had pointed out to her that the upgrading works were suspended. It was because the portal frames installed inside the market hindered the cleaning work for the market. She thus enquired which department was responsible for following up on this issue and providing assistance accordingly.

15. DEHS(TW) of the FEHD responded that with respect to market issues in the district, Members could seek assistance from staff of the Markets Section under the FEHD. The staff would contact the respective departments to follow up on the issues.

16. Mr WONG Wai-kit recognised and applauded the work of the FEHD. Regarding the cleansing services as well as the prevention and control of pests and rodents, the FEHD had promptly responded to Members' requests and matters of concern to them. Moreover, he said that since the JO had taken over the handling of the problem of water seepage in buildings, the communication between the JO's staff and Members as well as the follow-up procedures did not go smoothly. He hoped that the communication and liaison between the JO and Members would be enhanced. Members could therefore learn about and explore more approaches to speeding up the progress of investigations and assisting residents in tackling the problem of water seepage.

17. DEHS(TW) of the FEHD responded that the FEHD would convey the views concerned to the New Territories West Regional Joint Office. It also looked forward to enhancing the exchange of views with Members at different meetings in the future, thereby optimising the methods for tackling cases of water seepage.

18. The Chairman proposed that Members should invite the JO to send representatives to attend meetings of the committee under the TWDC relevant to the subject matter. Members could therefore further explore the work concerned and convey residents' views to the JO.

19. Mr WONG Kai-chun proposed that when setting up additional dog excreta collection bins on the street in the future, the department concerned should adopt pedal-operated bins instead of hand-operated ones which were currently in use. This proposal aimed at enhancing and ensuring hygiene. Furthermore, he pointed out the rapid growth of the trees near a carriageway on Castle Peak Road – Tsing Lung Tau might adversely affect driving safety. He thus recommended enhancing the tree pruning work at the said location.

20. DEHS(TW) of the FEHD responded as follows:

- (1) the FEHD would relay the Member's suggestion for adopting a new design of dog excreta collection bin to the Headquarters and examine the viability of the proposed design; and
- (2) as the FEHD was mainly responsible for providing refuse collection and cleansing services, it would forward the Member's suggestion for trimming roadside weeds on Castle Peak Road – Tsing Lung Tau to the Highways Department and the Leisure and Cultural Services Department for their follow-up.

21. The Chairman thanked the FEHD's representative for briefing Members on the annual district plan. He asked Members to take note of the paper submitted by the FEHD. He also requested the FEHD to consider the views from Members.

V Item 4: Establishment of the “Working Group on Celebration of the 27th Anniversary of Hong Kong’s Return to the Motherland of the Tsuen Wan District Council” and the “Working Group on Celebration of the 75th Anniversary of the Founding of the People’s Republic of China of the Tsuen Wan District Council”

22. The Chairman stated that all the 18 District Offices under the Home Affairs Department and their respective DCs would co-organise activities featuring local characteristics to celebrate the anniversary of Hong Kong's return to the Motherland and the anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China in various

districts. He had received views on organising celebratory activities for these occasions in Tsuen Wan from numerous members of the local community. He also proposed establishing two non-standing working groups under the TWDC, namely, the Working Group on Celebration of the 27th Anniversary of Hong Kong's Return to the Motherland of the Tsuen Wan District Council and the Working Group on Celebration of the 75th Anniversary of the Founding of the People's Republic of China of the Tsuen Wan District Council. Members unanimously agreed on the proposal. The Chairman stated that all members of the two non-standing working groups would serve for a term of eight months.

23. Ms WONG Shuk-fan, Luparker proposed that extra efforts should be made to heighten the sense of national identity among students from kindergartens, primary schools and secondary schools during celebratory activities for the anniversary of Hong Kong's return to the Motherland and the anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China.

24. Mr CHAN Hiu-chun suggested that elements of promoting local economic development should be incorporated in the activities concerned to achieve a win-win outcome.

25. Mr LAU Chung-kong said that celebratory activities for the anniversary of Hong Kong's return to the Motherland to be held in July 2024 and those for the anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China to be held in October 2024 were only three months apart. He suggested that the two working groups should enhance liaison and coordination with one another. Also, as the 75th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China was a celebratory occasion of profound significance, he proposed that the working group concerned should facilitate greater involvement of students and local communities in the relevant activities.

26. The Chairman stated that upon the establishment of the non-standing working groups, Members' suggestions would be taken into consideration to organise activities in celebration of the anniversary of Hong Kong's return to the Motherland and the anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China in Tsuen Wan district.

(Post-meeting note: The Secretariat invited Members to join the aforesaid working groups in writing on 28 March 2024.)

VI Item 5: Activities to Promote Local Economic Development in the Second Quarter of 2024

27. The Chairman asked Mr CHAN Hiu-chun, the Chairman of the Working Group on Boosting Local Economy (WGBLE) to report on the captioned matter.

28. Mr CHAN Hiu-chun reported as follows:

- (1) the WGBLE had held a meeting on 20 March 2024 to discuss the organisation of activities to promote local economic development in the second and third quarters of 2024;
- (2) the Day x Night Vibes @ 18 Districts “Celebrating the Year of Dragon – Tsuen Wan Lantern Festival Bazaar” (the “Lantern Festival Bazaar”) had been successfully held from 23 to 25 February 2024 at Sha Tsui Road Playground. It was jointly organised by the TWDO and TWDC, and was co-organised by five representative chambers of commerce as well as local organisations in the district (i.e. The Federation of All Sectors of Tsuen Wan Community Limited, the New Territories Association of Societies Tsuen Wan District Committee, Tsuen Wan Trade Association Limited, Hong Kong Industrial and Commercial Association Limited Tsuen Wan Branch, and Hong Kong Tsuen Wan Industries and Commerce Association). The aforementioned units had held multiple meetings with the task force under the WGBLE to make dedicated efforts in finalising the arrangements for various activities;
- (3) over 120 small-and-medium merchants mostly from Tsuen Wan district had been invited to set up stalls at the Lantern Festival Bazaar to sell various kinds of dry and wet goods, food and cooked delicacies. A vast range of carnival activities had been organised and large-scale festive lighting decorations for photo-taking had been placed at the venue to attract patronage. The three-day event had ended up recording an attendance of at least 70 000 participants. The organiser had specially distributed questionnaires to participating merchants in order to gauge their views on the event. The majority of the 100 merchants who had responded to the questionnaires were satisfied with the overall arrangements of the Lantern Festival Bazaar, including the event dates, operating hours and customer flow, etc. Most merchants had expressed their interest in taking part in similar events again if they were held in the future. A number of merchants also reported that they had achieved an outstanding turnover during this

event;

- (4) drawing on the experience gained from the Lantern Festival Bazaar held in the first quarter, the WGBLE had decided to continue organising activities to promote local economic development at the meeting on 20 March 2024. The WGBLE proposed organising a large-scale lucky draw activity with a view to stimulating spending in the district. Members of the public would be entitled to enter the lucky draw by producing receipts for spending at local merchants. As for the prizes, the WGBLE suggested that gifts that could meet the objective of encouraging continuous local spending (such as coupons) should be adopted, and local merchants as well as chambers of commerce could be invited to provide gifts for the lucky draw. A distinctive large-scale event in the district would be served as a platform for promoting the aforesaid lucky draw so as to leverage on the synergy effect. Besides, members of the WGBLE proposed to explore the option of creating an online platform to provide local residents and visitors from other districts with information on recommended spots for dining and entertainment as well as tourist attractions in Tsuen Wan district;
- (5) the WGBLE would study whether there were sufficient resources to implement the aforementioned proposals, subject to the concrete plan for the lucky draw activity; and
- (6) the WGBLE would continue to devise a concrete plan for the lucky draw activity, and would convene meetings as necessary to keep on conducting extensive studies and undergoing in-depth discussions on boosting local economy.

29. The Chairman said that before the inauguration of the current-term TWDC, the TWDO had actively discussed and carried out preparatory work with the incoming Members. An informal meeting had been held on 4 January 2024 to finalise the details of the Lantern Festival Bazaar. It had also been endorsed at the first meeting of the current-term TWDC on 5 January 2024 that the coordination of various work would be undertaken by a task force under the WGBLE. He complimented on the expeditious preparation and successful execution of the Lantern Festival Bazaar. He asked Members for their views on the organisation of the large-scale lucky draw activity in the second and third quarters of 2024. Members had no further comments on the proposal and unanimously endorsed it.

VII Item 6: Establishment of Distinctive Photo-taking Landmarks with District Characteristics

30. The Chairman asked Assistant District Officer (Tsuen Wan) (ADO(TW)) of the TWDO to brief Members on the progress of the establishment of a distinctive photo-taking landmark with district characteristics.

31. ADO(TW) of the TWDO reported as follows:

- (1) the proposal for establishing a distinctive photo-taking landmark with district characteristics put forward by the TWDO had been endorsed and supported by the current-term TWDC at its first meeting. The TWDO was joining forces with the Tsuen Wan District Youth Community Building Committee (TWDYCBC) and other local groups in proceeding with the preparation work for the captioned project;
- (2) the distinctive photo-taking landmark in Tsuen Wan district, i.e. an exhibition featuring mosaic art pieces, was anticipated to open in September 2024 and would run for a year. Staging at the pedestrian footbridge on Tai Ho Road and Sai Lau Kok Garden, the exhibition would showcase eight mosaic art pieces. The TWDO aimed to invite at least 3 000 residents who lived, worked, studied or were connected with Tsuen Wan district to submit photos that they took with iconic locations in Tsuen Wan in the background. With the theme of the history and culture of Tsuen Wan, each mosaic art piece would incorporate 800 to 1 000 photos provided by Tsuen Wan residents. The TWDO would further discuss the details and designs of the mosaic art pieces with the TWDYCBC and the contractor. In addition, a display board showing the route map for this exhibition and information about Tsuen Wan district would be placed next to each mosaic art piece to enrich the experience; and
- (3) the TWDYCBC had set up a working group for the captioned project in early March to undertake the preparatory work with the TWDO and other local groups. The TWDO planned to decide on the contractor in April and apply for the funding under the Community Involvement Programme to ensure a smooth implementation of the captioned project. Between May and July, the TWDO would finalise the design of the art pieces as well as the content of the display boards, and invite members of the public to submit photos. Installation of the art pieces was expected to be completed in September and the one-year exhibition would be launched subsequently.

32. Members unanimously noted the progress of the captioned project.

VIII Item 7: Information Papers

Reports on Meetings of the Committees and Working Group under the Tsuen Wan District Council

(TWDC Paper No. 15/2024)

33. The Chairman said that the six committees and a working group under the TWDC had held their first meetings respectively, and the reports on the meetings were set out in TWDC Paper No. 15/2024.

34. Members noted the contents of the information papers.

35. Mr WONG Wai-kit welcomed Members to put forward their ideas and suggestions on future projects under the district minor works programme at the meetings of the District Facilities and Works Committee for the TWDO's consideration.

36. Mr KOT Siu-yuen said that the Food, Environment and Hygiene Committee (FEHC) would endeavour to follow up on issues related to environmental hygiene, including water seepage in buildings and odour problems at the waterfront. In addition, On Ning Lau, Moon Lok Dai Ha in Tsuen Wan was one of the selected premises for implementing the demonstration scheme on MSW charging. He would conduct an on-site inspection with Members in the future. Finally, he thanked Members for serving on the various MMCCs in Tsuen Wan district and would continue to maintain a close dialogue with the FEHD.

37. Mr KOO Yeung-pong said that Members of the Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee (CICRC) proposed at its meeting that a working group dedicated to coordinating and promoting recreational and cultural activities should be established. The CICRC would continue to follow up on the relevant matters.

38. Mr CHAN Sung-ip said that the Traffic and Transport Committee (T&TC) would continue to follow up on the traffic problem at the intersection off Sham Tseng Catholic Primary School.

39. Mr CHU Tak-wing said that Members of the Social Welfare Committee hoped to deepen their understanding of different types of social services provided in Tsuen Wan district and would arrange for an on-site inspection.

40. Mr YAU Kam-ping said that the Planning Department had introduced the planning applications in detail at the meeting of the Development and Planning Committee (DPC), but had not been able to immediately respond to the traffic issues that were of concern to Members. Therefore, he suggested that the TD send representatives to attend the meetings of the DPC so as to respond to Members' enquiries on the traffic issues concerned.

41. The Chairman asked the representatives of the TD to convey the relevant views to the department and readily dovetail with the work of the DPC.

42. CTO/NTSW (Atg.) of the TD responded that Members' views had been noted.

43. Mr CHAN Hiu-chun said that the Lantern Festival Bazaar organised by the WGBLE had combined various Chinese cultural elements and attracted many influencers to take photos at the event. There were also online posts about the Lantern Festival Bazaar on the social media platform Xiaohongshu with over 2 million views. He opined that the Lantern Festival Bazaar had signified the close collaboration between the Government, the business sector and the community, and had successfully yielded a remarkable result. He thanked the government departments for making complementary efforts during the event, and hoped that the activities organised by the WGBLE in the second and third quarters of 2024 would once again gain support and cooperation from the government departments.

44. The Chairman said that the TWDO had recently received complaints from some members of the public concerning the traffic arrangements in Ma Wan and at Lo Wai Road, he thus requested the T&TC to continue to follow up on the relevant matters.

IX Item 8: Any Other Business

45. Police Community Relations Officer (Tsuen Wan) of the HKPF introduced the upgraded mobile application "Scameter+".

46. Mr KOT Siu-yuen expressed support for the launch of the mobile application "Scameter+" by the HKPF, which allowed the public to be on guard against fraud. In addition, he pointed out that the Tsuen Wan District Fight Crime Committee regularly disseminate and promote anti-fraud messages to members of the public in the community with the Police. He hoped to continue working concertedly

with the Police to promote the mobile application “Scameter+” to the elderly through community activities.

47. DC(TW) of the HKPF responded as follows:

- (1) the amount of pecuniary loss caused by fraud in Hong Kong was as high as \$25 million per day on average. Given that the amount of money involved in financial fraud (such as investing in cryptocurrencies, etc.) was substantial in Hong Kong, the amount of loss suffered was higher when compared with that of Singapore even though Hong Kong had fewer fraud cases than Singapore. Most of the victims said that they had received anti-fraud information before but had still fallen prey to scams. Therefore, members of the public should further heighten their vigilance;
- (2) the mobile application “Scameter+” installed on smartphones could act as a firewall, guarding members of the public against various scams. For elderly persons who were unable to download the mobile application “Scameter+” because of not having a smartphone, they could contact officers of the Anti-Deception Coordination Centre by calling the anti-deception enquiry hotline “Anti-Scam Helpline 18222” to enquire about any information related to fraud or to seek assistance if they suspected that they had been defrauded; and
- (3) the Tsuen Wan Police District (TWPD) aimed to disseminate anti-fraud messages to the public in a more extensive and in-depth manner by carrying out publicity work on the prevention of fraud and crime more frequently in the future. The TWPD would utilise different platforms and adopt various approaches, such as distributing flyers and hanging banners, etc., to convey anti-fraud messages to members of the public who lived, worked, and studied in Tsuen Wan district. The TWPD would endeavour to get in touch with stakeholders of different ages and groups through various means in the future to promote anti-fraud information, with a view to reducing the occurrence of fraud cases.

48. Mr KOT Siu-yuen said that many students and parents would attend briefing sessions for study tours when the summer holidays approached. Therefore, he suggested that the Police should promote the mobile application “Scameter+” in primary and secondary schools in the district to raise the anti-fraud awareness of students and parents.

49. DC(TW) of the HKPF responded that the School Liaison Officers of the TWPD would proactively reach out to schools and disseminate information on the prevention of fraud and crime, as well as children and youth protection to students through the schools.

50. Ms WONG Shuk-fan, Luparker suggested that the Police should strengthen ties with the associations of heads of schools in the district and the Education Bureau, or step up training for teachers. Through a top-down approach, anti-fraud messages could get across to parents, enhancing the effectiveness of publicity.

51. DC(TW) of the HKPF responded that the TWPD would make collaborative efforts with schools to arrange appropriate activities through the help of principals and teachers to strengthen the promotion of anti-fraud information to students.

52. The Chairman said that the TWDC was willing to provide assistance in disseminating anti-fraud messages in the district.

53. The Chairman said that he had received a letter from the Hong Kong Council on Smoking and Health (HKCSH) earlier, inviting the TWDC to become a supporting organisation of the “Quit to Win” campaign. The Chairman asked if Members approved the use of the TWDC’s logo by the HKCSH. Members unanimously agreed to the arrangement and application.

54. The Chairman proposed tasking the FEHC to discuss matters at its meeting with regard to rendering assistance in putting up and distributing promotional posters of the “Quit to Win” campaign and proposing suitable venues for holding activities in the district during the campaign. Members unanimously agreed to the arrangement.

55. The Chairman said that the second session of the 14th National People’s Congress (NPC) and the second session of the 14th Chinese People’s Political Consultative Conference (CPPCC) National Committee had concluded earlier. He had canvassed Members’ views via email, and Members unanimously agreed to the co-organisation of the “Tsuen Wan District Seminar on Promotion of Spirit of Two Sessions 2024” by the TWDC and TWDO on 11 April 2024. It was tentatively decided that Mr LAM Chi-wing, Gordon, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) deputy to the NPC, and Mr LUI Kin, HKSAR member of the CPPCC National Committee would be invited to be the speakers. The Chairman hoped that Members would actively participate in the seminar.

56. The Chairman said that the six committees under the TWDC had held their first meetings respectively. The dates of some future meetings would be adjusted after reviewing the arrangements for the first round of meetings. The Secretariat would discuss the change of meeting dates with the Chairmen of the relevant committees after the meeting and make an announcement subsequently.

57. The Chairman said that many Members had actively taken part in the publicity activities held in Tsuen Wan district for promoting the Hong Kong Games. He said that upon discussions with several Members, they unanimously agreed that the TWDC should strengthen its support for the Hong Kong Games. He suggested that Mr MOK Yuen-kwan and Mr CHOW Sum-ming, who had been appointed as the “Sports Ambassadors”, should be responsible for calling on Members to attend the activities and coordinating their participation in watching the competitions, with a view to showing support for the participating teams representing Tsuen Wan district.

58. The Chairman said that he had received a letter from the Hong Kong United Foundation earlier, inviting the TWDC to become a supporting organisation for the event series “Grand Prix of National Security in 18 Districts”. The Hong Kong United Foundation would hold a series of promotional activities on safeguarding national security from February to June 2024. He asked if Members agreed that the TWDC should become a supporting organisation for the aforementioned event series. Members unanimously agreed to the arrangement.

59. The Chairman said that the Y.Elites Association was planning to cooperate with the Commissioner’s Office of China’s Foreign Ministry in the HKSAR to organise a series of school talks on Chinese diplomatic knowledge, so as to promote such knowledge to the local community. These talks would be held in various districts gradually in the future. He said that the Y.Elites Association had conducted preliminary discussions with the association of heads of secondary schools in Tsuen Wan district, and planned to invite the TWDO and TWDC to become the co-organisers of the event. Members unanimously agreed to the arrangement.

X Item 9: Date of Next Meeting

60. The Chairman said that the date of the next meeting was 28 May 2024. According to section 38 of the Standing Orders, Members who wished to raise an item or present a paper on an item for discussion at a meeting was required to submit the paper with a notice in writing to the Secretariat ten clear working days before the meeting. Hence, the deadline for submission of papers was 10 May 2024.

Tsuen Wan District Council Secretariat
May 2024