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# Minutes of the 9th Meeting of Tsuen Wan District Council (6/24-25)

Date: 25 March 2025

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

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 Wai-kit, MH

Mr WONG Kai-chun

Mr KOT Siu-yuen, MH

Mr LAU Chung-kong

Mr CHENG Chit-pun

#### Government Representatives

Mr KWONG Chi-wing, Denis

Mr KWAN Chun-kit, Eric	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

Senior Executive Officer (District Management), Tsuen

	Wan District Office
Mr LAW Ka-hong, Alex	District Commander (Tsuen Wan), Hong Kong Police Force
Mr CHAN Hok-chun, Clement	Police Community Relations Officer (Tsuen Wan), Hong Kong Police Force
Ms YUEN Mo-kuen, Monita	District Social Welfare Officer (Tsuen Wan/Kwai Tsing) (Acting), Social Welfare Department
Ms LOU Yin-yee, Joanne	District Lands Officer/Tsuen Wan and Kwai Tsing (District Lands Office, Tsuen Wan and Kwai Tsing), Lands Department
Ms LAM Hang-ling, Sara	Administrative Assistant/Lands (District Lands Office, Tsuen Wan and Kwai Tsing), Lands Department
Mr MOK Ka-sing, Mark	Chief Transport Officer/New Territories South West, Transport Department
Ms LAW Chi-ping, Iris	Chief Manager/Management (Wong Tai Sin, Tsing Yi and Tsuen Wan), Housing Department
Mr NG Kwok-lun, Wilson	District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Tsuen Wan), Food and Environmental Hygiene Department
Mr NG Kwok-suen, Carl	Senior Engineer/10 (West), Civil Engineering and Development 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
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
In Attendance:	
For discussion of item 4	
Dr CHIM Pak-wing	Senior Medical & Health Officer (Emergency Preparedness and District Relations) 2, Department of Health
Dr LO Hoi-ying	Medical & Health Officer (Emergency Preparedness and District Relations) 1, Department of Health
For discussion of item 5	
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

#### Action

## I Opening Remarks and Introduction

The Chairman welcomed Members and representatives from government departments to the 9<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Tsuen Wan District Council (TWDC) and introduced:

- (1) Ms MAN Yuen-ling, Rachel who attended a meeting of the TWDC for the first time and replaced Ms LIM Ting-ting, Sylvia to assume the post of Chief Leisure Manager (New Territories West), Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD);
- (2) Ms YUEN Mo-kuen, Monita, District Social Welfare Officer (Tsuen Wan/Kwai Tsing) (Acting), Social Welfare Department, who attended this meeting on behalf of Ms WONG Siu-fan, Phoebe; and
- (3) Mr NG Kwok-suen, Carl, Senior Engineer/10 (West), Civil Engineering and Development Department, who attended this meeting on behalf of Mr HO Kai-ho, Stanley.
- 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 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 8<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 22.1.2025

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.
- 6. The Chairman stated that the Tsuen Wan District Office (TWDO) and the departments concerned had jointly been following up on the matters relating to the enhancement of the facilities at the playground on the podium of Tsuen Wan Market

and other facilities nearby. He asked Mr KWAN Chun-kit, Eric, Assistant District Officer (Tsuen Wan) (ADO(TW)) of the TWDO, to report on the progress of the enhancement works.

- 7. ADO(TW) of the TWDO reported that the LCSD had completed the enhancement works for the facilities at the playground on the podium on the second floor of Tsuen Wan Market. Such works included levelling the ground of the podium and repainting the podium. The playground had already been reopened for public use. Besides, the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) would provide additional signage at Tsuen Wan Market in order to bring convenience to users heading towards the community living rooms and related facilities. The works concerned were currently underway. The TWDO would report on the latest progress and details of the works to Members in a timely manner.
- IV <u>Item 3: Briefing on the Pilot Scheme on "Joint Property Management"</u> (TWDC Paper No. 29/24-25)
- 8. The Chairman asked Mr HO Kwok-yan, Philip, Senior Liaison Officer (2) (SLO(2)) of the TWDO, to introduce the paper.
- 9. SLO(2) of the TWDO introduced the paper.
- 10. Mr KOT Siu-yuen agreed that DC Members had the responsibility for assisting owners of private buildings with the formation of owners' corporations (OCs). He had previously helped owners of Cheung Tak Mansion in the district to form an OC. He also commended the TWDO for its assistance in forming OCs of private buildings along Castle Peak Road Tsuen Wan. Besides, he was strongly supportive of the Pilot Scheme on "Joint Property Management" (the "Pilot Scheme"). While many OCs of private buildings in Lo Tak Court had conveyed to him their intention to engage property management companies, high management fees deterred them from doing so. Buildings participating in the Pilot Scheme could share management fees and receive basic building management services at a relatively affordable cost. This could therefore ensure the proper management of buildings and foster a more harmonious community. Also, OCs often consisted mainly of elderly members. He thus proposed that non-governmental organisations (NGOs) engaged to assist in implementing the Pilot Scheme should provide more training in building management and OC-related knowledge for young OC members in the future.
- 11. Mr KOO Yeung-pong said he supported the Pilot Scheme. He pointed out that many private buildings in Tsuen Wan were aged more than 50 years. Most of these old buildings lacked lifts and had a relatively small number of occupants. As occupants could not afford high management fees, they had difficulty in engaging cleaning companies to carry out cleaning work for their buildings. Hence, he held that the Pilot Scheme was good news for owners of old buildings. Also, he opined

that it was the responsibility of DC Members to assist single-block private buildings and tenement buildings in Tsuen Wan district to join the Pilot Scheme.

- 12. Ms LAM Yuen-pun said she welcomed the Pilot Scheme. She suggested a possible scenario where some owners failed to reach a consensus on whether to join the Pilot Scheme and on the imposition of management fees. If the majority of owners agreed to join the Pilot Scheme while some did not, she enquired whether the Government would pay management fees in advance for some of those who did not consent to join the Pilot Scheme.
- 13. The Chairman stated that participation in the Pilot Scheme was voluntary. The TWDO understood that the management of old buildings was a "long-standing, big and difficult" issue. The TWDO would not underestimate the difficulty in implementing the Pilot Scheme, and would proactively take forward the related work together with the TWDC. Moreover, the responsibility for managing private buildings should rest with owners. Playing the roles of a promoter and facilitator, the Government would endeavour to assist owners in properly carrying out building management work and enhance the living environment of occupants under the Pilot Scheme.
- 14. Mr WONG Kai-chun voiced his support for the Pilot Scheme. He pointed out the persistence of problems associated with old buildings and the difficulty in motivating owners to address repair and maintenance issues of old buildings. In his opinion, the apportioning of the relevant costs under the Pilot Scheme could boost the participation of owners. He recommended that NGOs with experience in managing "three-nil" buildings should be commissioned in order to enhance the effectiveness of the Pilot Scheme. Besides, he said that many old buildings were not manned by security guards. He thus proposed using innovative technologies to aid the effective management of old buildings.
- 15. Mr CHENG Chit-pun said he welcomed the Pilot Scheme. He pointed out that there were many old buildings and "three-nil" buildings in Tsuen Wan district. He had lived in an old building for several years. The OC of that building, despite its existence, failed to function effectively. Occupants had to take care of matters such as the replacement of lighting equipment of the building on their own. He was concerned that if a handful of owners of a building disagreed on joining the Pilot Scheme, it might result in the building's failure to join the Pilot Scheme and thus unfairness to other owners. He enquired whether a mechanism had been put in place to deal with such a scenario. Moreover, he suggested that the publicity on owners' responsibilities should be stepped up during the implementation of the Pilot Scheme, including their responsibilities for eliminating potential safety hazards (e.g. slippery ground of common areas and spalling of concrete).

- 16. The Chairman stated that the publicity on owners' responsibilities was one of the top priorities of the Pilot Scheme. He understood that a minority of owners had not yet gained a clear understanding of their responsibilities for building management. These owners mistakenly believed that as long as there were no OCs, they did not have to take on their responsibilities and thus refused to cooperate and pay management fees. The TWDO hoped that the Pilot Scheme would help expand owners' knowledge of building management, promote the formation of OCs and ensure their effective operation through the collaboration with NGOs.
- 17. Dr LEUNG Cheong-ming, Raymond said he welcomed the Pilot Scheme. He was concerned that many old buildings lacked space to accommodate security guard booths. He therefore proposed the use of technologies instead of setting up security guard booths. For instance, he had paid a visit to Hing Hing Building and noticed that a closed-circuit television system (CCTV system) had been installed on its roof. Besides, he held that various constraints and technical considerations might come into play when installing a CCTV system. For example, it should consider the electricity supply of the proposed location and ensure that the building's structure remained untouched. He recommended that before implementing the Pilot Scheme, the Government should subsidise the installation of the related basic hardware equipment at certain buildings in order to enhance the effectiveness of the Pilot Scheme.
- 18. The Chairman stated that the Government expected NGOs engaged under the Pilot Scheme to have extensive district networks and experience of building management. The NGOs should also adopt a proactive attitude towards the use of innovative technologies. They should enhance the efficiency of building management and minimise costs (e.g. reducing security manpower) with the aid of innovative technologies, thereby lowering routine management costs in the long run to ease the burden on occupants.
- 19. Mr NG Chun-yu said he was pleased with the Government's implementation of the Pilot Scheme. He opined that as NGOs had already met quite a number of owners through their district networks, they would achieve twice the result with half the effort when liaising with owners to form OCs. The emergence of subdivided flats contributed to the drastic increase in the demand for building management and repairs. He believed that the Pilot Scheme could effectively address the problem. He enquired whether an upper limit had been imposed on the number of OCs participating in the Pilot Scheme. Besides, he enquired about the implementation area of the Pilot Scheme. He also suggested that the Pilot Scheme should cover areas with a large number of old buildings (including Tai Pei Square, Yi Pei Square, Sam Pei Square and Nos. 124-142 Chung On Street). Lastly, he proposed that visits to buildings which had successfully joined the Pilot Scheme should be arranged for owners with a view to increasing their willingness to join this

scheme.

- 20. The Chairman responded that there was no upper limit on the number of OCs participating in the Pilot Scheme. It would be subjected to the capacity of the engaged NGOs. The Government welcomed the participation of more OCs in the Pilot Scheme. Additionally, the implementation area of the Pilot Scheme in Tsuen Wan district covered the old areas in the town centre, including those along Yeung Uk Road, Tai Chung Road, Castle Peak Road Tsuen Wan, Sai Lau Kok Road and Kwan Mun Hau Street. If Members identified any buildings which fell beyond the implementation area and were in need of joining the Pilot Scheme, the Chairman welcomed Members' referral of such buildings to the TWDO. The TWDO would consider processing their applications having regard to the circumstances.
- 21. Ms WONG Shuk-fan, Luparker expressed her support for the Pilot Scheme. She suggested enhancing the publicity on the Pilot Scheme. The authorities should convey the aim, advantages and specific implementation details of the Pilot Scheme to the public through various channels (e.g. local publicity events, media coverage and the Government's webpages). Also, since elders might be unfamiliar with online media, she proposed sending volunteers of NGOs to visit elders and brief them on the Pilot Scheme.-
- 22. Mr CHAN Hiu-chun said he welcomed the Pilot Scheme. He held that the Pilot Scheme would be helpful for elderly occupants of old buildings. Moreover, there were many shops on the ground floor of old buildings. The business environment was unfavourable for the time being. He was thus worried that the imposition of management fees would place a heavier financial burden on owners of ground floor shops or merchants renting those shops. Hence, he suggested that the Government should explore measures to help merchants renting ground floor shops of old buildings.
- 23. The Chairman responded that the incentive for shop owners to join the Pilot Scheme might be as strong as that for occupants. Hence, the engaged NGOs should consider encouraging target buildings interested in the Pilot Scheme to join it first. Besides setting an example for shop owners/tenants, this approach could also acquaint them with the benefits brought to the business environment by the building improvement work, thereby attracting more shop owners/tenants to join the Pilot Scheme.
- 24. The Chairman stated that all in all, Members were generally in favour of the Pilot Scheme. The key difficulties in managing buildings included owners' lack of understanding of their responsibilities. As such, the Government would increase owners' knowledge of building management through the Pilot Scheme. Besides, a considerable number of owners and OC members were elders. They probably lacked

sufficient knowledge of building management and faced a financial constraint. The Pilot Scheme could lower management costs through the apportioning of management fees and adoption of innovative technologies. He appealed to Members to proactively support and promote the Pilot Scheme. The TWDO would also offer assistance in implementing the Pilot Scheme and properly carry out the related work in partnership with Members.

- V <u>Item 4: Proposal for Strengthening Publicity in the Community of Tsuen Wan and Encouraging the Public to Register as Organ Donors</u>
  (TWDC Paper No. 30/24-25)
- 25. The Chairman stated that Mr CHENG Chit-pun, Mr WONG Kai-chun, Mr FUNG Cheuk-sum and Mr CHOW Sum-ming submitted the paper. The representatives from the department responsible for giving responses were:
  - (1) Dr CHIM Pak-wing, Senior Medical & Health Officer (Emergency Preparedness and District Relations) 2 (SMHO(EPDR)2), Department of Health (DH); and
  - (2) Dr LO Hoi-ying, Medical & Health Officer (Emergency Preparedness and District Relations) 1, DH.

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

- 26. Mr CHENG Chit-pun, Mr WONG Kai-chun, Mr CHOW Sum-ming and Mr FUNG Cheuk-sum introduced the paper.
- 27. SMHO(EPDR)2 of the DH responded as follows:
  - (1) the DH would prepare promotional materials targeted at people from different backgrounds in order to dispel common misconceptions about organ donation among the public. For example, they often believed fallacies that organ donation would cause the disfigurement of bodies of the deceased, and that medical professionals would not try their best to resuscitate a patient who had registered in the Centralised Organ Donation Register (CODR);
  - (2) the DH proactively promoted "Organ Donation 3S" in the hope of helping more people waiting for organ donation. The "3S" principles were "Sign-up" (encouraging the public to register in the CODR), "Speak-out" (encouraging donors to communicate with their families) and "Spread-out" (encouraging donors' families and friends to support organ donation);
  - (3) the DH adopted an open attitude towards the Members' proposal for adding a CODR registration option to the Government's identity card replacement procedures. It would also forward this proposal to the departments concerned for their consideration (Post-meeting note: The public could easily complete the online application form for registration in the CODR by using the "e-ME" form-filling function of

- iAM Smart (https://www.iamsmart.gov.hk/en/e-service.html));
- (4) the DH mainly disseminated the information on organ donation through various channels, e.g. carrying out outreach publicity work in the community and at medical institutions. Besides, the department would continuously step up its publicity effort with the aid of the organ donation promotion vehicle and social media. It could also loan health educational materials on organ donation to Members for promotional purposes;
- (5) the Government had previously conducted a study on the proposal for switching the organ donation mechanism from an opt-in system to an opt-out one. The Government would continue to study the feasibility of this proposal; and
- (6) the DH expressed its gratitude to Members for their concern and support for the promotion of organ donation. The DH would continue to take forth the related work. Members were welcome to contact the DH if they required assistance in publicity work. The DH would make every effort to complement Members' work.
- 28. Dr LEUNG Cheong-ming, Raymond pointed out that despite donors' registration in the CODR, some of them might fail to donate organs due to the conditions of their organs or other causes. He enquired of the DH on the ratio of unsuccessful cases of organ donation to successful ones.
- Ms CHEUNG Man-ka opined that the willingness of donors' families was one of the critical factors determining the success of organ donation. It was also one of the factors contributing to the relatively low overall rate of organ donation in Hong Kong. She pointed out that alongside cultural factors, policies also played a vital role in countries with a higher organ donation rate. Moreover, she noted that the DH frequently organised publicity activities on organ donation, e.g. setting up a booth promoting organ donation at Yan Chai Hospital. Yet, she held that the publicity impact of such activities was not significant and the publicity effectiveness should be further enhanced. Besides, she opined that apart from encouraging the public to register in the CODR, the DH should carry out publicity work targeted at donors' families in order to increase the awareness and acceptance of organ donation among the public.

### 30. SMHO(EPDR)2 of the DH responded as follows:

- (1) the success of organ donation hinged on a combination of factors, e.g. the conditions of donors' bodies and the organ compatibility between donors and recipients;
- (2) organ donation would end in failure if donors' families objected to retrieving organs from bodies of the deceased. Hence, donors and their families were both targets of the DH's publicity work. The DH

- encouraged donors who had registered in the CODR to clearly inform their families of the decision. Donors should also ensure that their families understood and honoured their wish so that organ donation could be carried out more smoothly; and
- (3) in order to convey positive messages of organ donation to the public, the DH would continue to enhance its publicity effort and explore more effective ways to carry out the publicity work.
- 31. Mr CHAN Hiu-chun opined that the authorities should review the causes of the relatively low organ donation rate in Hong Kong at present. The DH had already worked hard to promote organ donation. However, the organ donation rate at the time showed that the publicity effort was insufficient and the public had a limited understanding and low acceptance of organ donation. Hence, he suggested that the DH should arrange sharing sessions by organ recipients or donors' families in various districts on a regular basis. The public could listen to recipients' impactful stories of being given a new lease of life and learn about the motivations and beliefs of donors' families. He held that by integrating education with publicity, this approach could help encourage more people to register as organ donors.
- 32. Ms WAH Mei-ling said organ donation was a matter of grave concern to her. She held that the integration of messages of supporting organ donation into the daily life of people was pivotal to the success of the promotion of organ donation. She proposed that the concept of organ donation should be added to the General Studies curriculum of schools, fostering a positive understanding of and attitude towards organ donation among students from a young age. Besides, she suggested that the DH should capitalise on the celebrity effect and invite influential celebrities to serve as publicity ambassadors. The DH could therefore subtly change the public's perception of organ donation through daily publicity activities.
- 33. Mr NG Chun-yu said he had registered as an organ donor when he was a student. Back then, it only required donors' mobile numbers to complete the registration. He suggested that donors should be given an additional option during registration to fill in mobile numbers of their family members or emergency contact persons. SMS messages should automatically be sent to these individuals to notify them of respective donors' successful registration. Moreover, under the existing mechanism, family members of a deceased donor could still object to organ donation despite the donor's registration in the CODR. He enquired on the opposite scenario, i.e. whether family members could make the decision to donate organs on behalf of the deceased who had not registered in the CODR.

### 34. SMHO(EPDR)2 of the DH responded as follows:

(1) the sharing of organ donation stories was one of the most effective ways to promote organ donation. The DH had all along been sharing

- organ donation stories with the public through different media. The DH would further enhance its publicity work in the future so as to disseminate the messages of supporting organ donation more widely at the district level;
- (2) the DH would consider identifying a suitable ambassador to enhance the publicity effectiveness. The DH would adopt different publicity strategies for different age groups. For instance, it would carry out publicity work targeted at young people through social media and promote organ donation among elders by using traditional media (e.g. televisions or printed materials);
- (3) regarding the Member's proposal given to the DH for automatically sending SMS notifications to families of donors registered in the CODR, the DH would convey the proposal to the departments concerned for their consideration; and
- (4) at this meeting, the DH was unable to respond to the enquiry on whether family members could decide to donate organs on behalf of the deceased.
  - (Post-meeting note: The legal basis of the donation of organs of a deceased person by consent of his/her family members was set out in the Medical (Therapy, Education and Research) Ordinance (Cap. 278) of the laws of Hong Kong. Members could approach the Hospital Authority to enquire about the execution of organ donation in detail.)
- 35. The Chairman said the Government and various sectors of the community were well aware that the promotion of organ donation was a long-term commitment. He hoped that the DH would consider Members' proposals when conducting its upcoming publicity campaigns. He also believed that Members would continue to support the promotion of organ donation in the future.
- VI <u>Item 5: Annual Work Plan for Tsuen Wan District by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department</u>

(TWDC Paper No. 31/24-25, 32/24-25 and 33/24-25)

- 36. The Chairman said that the LCSD would brief Members on the Annual Work Plan for Tsuen Wan District for 2025-26. The representatives attending the meeting were:
  - (1) Ms NG Kam-yim, District Leisure Manager (Tsuen Wan) (DLM(TW)), LCSD;
  - (2) Miss LEUNG Wai-nga, Viola, Senior Manager (New Territories South) Promotion (SM(NTS)P), LCSD; and
  - (3) Mr LEE Wai-man, Senior Librarian (Tsuen Wan) (SL(TW)), LCSD.
- 37. DLM(TW), SM(NTS)P and SL(TW) of the LCSD introduced the papers.

- 38. Ms LAM Yuen-pun opined that the district-based promotional activities organised by the public libraries in the new year term were rich and diverse. She was pleased to assist in promoting these activities once the dates and venues of the activities were confirmed.
- 39. SL(TW) of the LCSD responded that the district-based promotional activities mentioned in Annex III and IV of the captioned paper were currently in the planning stage. The dates and venues of the activities concerned were all tentative. The LCSD would later forward the details of the activities to Members via email and invite Members to assist in promoting the activities.
- 40. Mr WONG Wai-kit said that Members and the local community would fully support the 15<sup>th</sup> National Games (the "15<sup>th</sup> NG"). He enquired about the ways for members of the public to participate in and complement the activities of the 15<sup>th</sup> NG. Besides, regarding the Venue Partnership Scheme (VPS) of the LCSD, he enquired how Members could provide views on the selection of Venue Partners.
- 41. Mr KOO Yeung-pong said that many schools were equipped with LED walls at present. He suggested that LED display boards could also be installed in the Auditorium in Tsuen Wan Town Hall for the organisation of various types of activities. Besides, some members of the public had reported that the lighting at Sha Tsui Road Playground and Shing Mun Valley Sports Ground had been inadequate during activities in the evening, and had suggested enhancing the lighting system at the locations concerned. He proposed that the LCSD should improve the audio equipment of its venues for better organisation of the celebratory activities for Hong Kong's return to the Motherland and the National Day. He also advised the LCSD to provide the music files of the national anthem.
- 42. Mr NG Chun-yu said that the LCSD had readily responded to residents' views with regard to the improvement works of Tsuen Wan Riviera Park and Tsuen Wan Park, expeditiously taken forward the improvement works for the playground on the podium of Tsuen Wan Market, and promptly handled the water main burst incident at the park under its purview. He opined that the work of the LCSD should be recognised and applauded. Besides, he agreed with the Member's suggestion that LED walls should be installed in the Auditorium in Tsuen Wan Town Hall. He further suggested installing LED walls or other relevant equipment in the Exhibition Gallery, which had a relatively low utilisation rate in Tsuen Wan Town Hall, to facilitate application for the venue concerned by groups for different activity purposes, thereby boosting its utilisation rate. Lastly, Tsuen Wan Sports Centre would be temporarily closed to the public during the 15<sup>th</sup> NG. He suggested promoting the matter concerned as early as possible and encouraging the public to cheer for the athletes so as to create a lively atmosphere in anticipation of the 15<sup>th</sup> NG.

- 43. Mr CHAN Sung-ip said that many large-scale events were organised at Sha Tsui Road Playground every year. Yet, the venue concerned lacked sufficient power supply, making it necessary for the contractors to provide additional power supply equipment to temporarily enhance the power supply of the venue. It had created noise nuisance to residents in the vicinity. He suggested upgrading the power supply system at Sha Tsui Road Playground.
- 44. Mr CHU Tak-wing commended the LCSD for making complementary efforts for the Hong Kong Games, including the provision of venues for athletes to train. He expected that the LCSD would keep up the good work and even excel further in supporting the organisation of sports events for the 15<sup>th</sup> NG.

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

- (1) the LCSD had all along been liaising with the National Games Coordination Office (Hong Kong), and had preliminarily carried out some district-based promotional activities. The LCSD noted Members' concern about the 15<sup>th</sup> NG, and would inform Members of the latest information:
- (2) the LCSD would review the lighting conditions at Sha Tsui Road Playground and Shing Mun Valley Sports Ground during evening activities. If necessary, it would study proposals for improvement with relevant works departments when district-based improvement works were implemented in the coming year;
- (3) if hirers were intended to play and sing the national anthem at venues under the LCSD, they must submit applications to the relevant offices in advance. The LCSD would not provide hirers with the music files of the national anthem; and
- (4) the LCSD noted the Member's views on upgrading the power supply system at Sha Tsui Road Playground, and would study proposals for improvement with the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department having regard to the scale and the power consumption of the large-scale events held at Sha Tsui Road Playground over the past year.

#### 46. SM(NTS)P of the LCSD responded as follows:

- (1) the fifth round of the VPS was implemented between the period from April 2022 to March 2026. The Venue Partners of Tsuen Wan Town Hall were Jazz World (Hong Kong) Limited as well as Count-in Music Limited (for the Auditorium) and Ming Ri Institute for Arts Education (for the Cultural Activities Hall). The LCSD was planning for a new round of the VPS and details would be announced later;
- (2) the LCSD noted Members' suggestion of installing LED display boards; and
- (3) if hirers were intended to play and sing the national anthem during the

hire period, they were required to observe the guidelines stipulated in the National Anthem Ordinance (Instrument A405) and inform the venue management of the arrangement concerned in advance, so that appropriate coordination could be made in the operation.

- 47. Members noted the captioned papers submitted by the LCSD.
- VII Item 6: Establishment of the "Working Group on Celebration of the 28<sup>th</sup>
  Anniversary of Hong Kong's Return to the Motherland of the Tsuen Wan
  District Council" and "Working Group on Celebration of the 76<sup>th</sup>
  Anniversary of the Founding of the People's Republic of China of the Tsuen
  Wan District Council"
- 48. The Chairman proposed establishing two non-standing working groups under the TWDC, namely the Working Group on Celebration of the 28<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Hong Kong's Return to the Motherland of the Tsuen Wan District Council and the Working Group on Celebration of the 76<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Founding of the People's Republic of China of the Tsuen Wan District Council. Members of the two aforementioned non-standing working groups would serve for a term of eight months. The Secretariat would invite interested Members to join the working groups after the meeting. The TWDO would later announce the appointed Members to serve as the Chairpersons of the two working groups.
- 49. Members unanimously agreed to the proposal concerned.

(Post-meeting note: The TWDO had announced the chairmanship and the membership of the two working groups in TWDC Paper No. 1/25-26.)

- 50. Mr MOK Yuen-kwan said that 2025 marked the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Victory in the War of Resistance. He suggested that the two working groups should consider incorporating elements that would introduce the history of the War of Resistance in the celebratory activities for Hong Kong's return to the Motherland and the National Day, so that local residents would gain a deeper understanding of the historical event concerned.
- 51. The Chairman said that the TWDO would organise activities to commemorate the victory in the War of Resistance. Further details would be announced in due course, and Members would then be invited to support the activities concerned.
- 52. Ms WAH Mei-ling suggested that elements promoting the 15<sup>th</sup> NG should be incorporated into the celebratory activities for Hong Kong's return to the Motherland and the National Day.

53. The Chairman asked the two working groups to discuss the details of the activities afterwards, and invited the LCSD to put forth views with regard to incorporating elements of the 15<sup>th</sup> NG into the celebratory activities for Hong Kong's return to the Motherland and the National Day.

(Post-meeting note: The LCSD had provided the 15<sup>th</sup> NG Emblem and Logo Usage Guidelines to the Chairpersons of the two aforementioned working groups through the Secretariat on 24 April 2025.)

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

Report on the Progress of District Work in Tsuen Wan by Relevant Government Departments for the Fourth Quarter of 2024 (TWDC Paper No. 34/24-25)

- 54. Mr CHENG Chit-pun said that the number of drug trafficking cases in 2025 had increased nearly one-fold when compared with that in the fourth quarter of 2024. He was concerned about the impact of the "space oil drug" in the district, and enquired about the reasons for the increase in the number of drug trafficking cases.
- 55. District Commander (Tsuen Wan) of the Hong Kong Police Force (HKPF) responded as follows:
  - (1) serious drug offence was the only category of crime that had recorded a significant increase in the fourth quarter of 2024. It was primarily due to enhanced enforcement efforts, including an increase in arrest and seizure operations. A total of 18 serious drug cases had been recorded in the fourth quarter of 2024, marking an increase of 11 cases over the same period in 2023. The full-year figure of serious drug cases in 2024 had increased 42.4% compared with that in 2023. The drugs involved in those cases mainly included ketamine, cocaine and cannabis. Among the enforcement actions in the fourth quarter of 2024, the Police had successfully raided a drug storage centre at an industrial building and mounted a blitz operation at a private housing estate in the district in December. A substantial amount of drugs had been seized in both of the aforementioned cases, with an estimated total value of \$4.37 million:
  - (2) in regard to cracking down on the "space oil drug", there had been seven relevant cases in the district in the fourth quarter of 2024. The Police had seized 630 vape sticks containing "space oil drug" and arrested eight persons aged between 17 and 34 in connection with the cases in question. The Government had listed etomidate and its three analogues (metomidate, propoxate and isopropoxate) as dangerous drugs on 14 February 2025. Under the stringent control of the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance (DDO), trafficking and illicit manufacturing of the drugs concerned were liable to a maximum

- penalty of life imprisonment and a fine of \$5 million. Possession and consumption of the drugs concerned in contravention of the DDO would be subject to a maximum penalty of imprisonment for seven years and a fine of \$1 million; and
- (3) the HKPF had propagated anti-drug messages to local schools through publicity and education. It had organised 17 schools talks in the fourth quarter of 2024 to show videos containing information about the "space oil drug" to students. Besides, the Tsuen Wan Police District had been actively conducting publicity campaigns in various large-scale events, including the Winter Precaution Publicity Campaign held in December 2024, to explain to the public the harm of the "space oil drug".
- Mr KOT Siu-yuen said that lift modernisation (LM) works were being carried out at Fuk Loi Estate. He thanked the Housing Department (HD) and TWDO for their swift implementation of response measures following a lift incident in February 2025, and hoped that the impact on residents would be minimised during the lift replacement works. Besides, the HD was carrying out alteration works at the offices of the former Mutual Aid Committees (MACs). He urged the party concerned to reduce the noise nuisance caused to residents by such works.
- 57. Chief Manager/Management (Wong Tai Sin, Tsing Yi and Tsuen Wan) of the HD responded as follows:
  - (1) the replacement works for one lift in Wing Ka House and another lift in Wing Hong House at Fuk Loi Estate had been completed. A new phase of LM works would cover the remaining one lift in Wing Ka House and another lift in Wing Hong House, as well as the lifts in Wing Tai House and Wing Lok House, which would also commence soon:
  - (2) the utilisation rates of the lifts in Fuk Loi Estate were very high, which resulted in them wearing out relatively quickly. The HD would continuously optimise the LM works to mitigate the impacts on residents; and
  - (3) regarding the alteration works of the offices of the former MACs, the HD would step up communication with the contractors and residents, with a view to minimising the impact on residents as far as possible when the works were being carried out.
- 58. Ms LAM Yuen-pun expressed concern over the problems of improper disposal of waste and handling of wastewater by restaurants at Lo Tak Court. She suggested that the FEHD should strengthen the cleansing work at the location concerned.

- 59. District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Tsuen Wan) of the FEHD responded that the FEHD would review the waste disposal situation by restaurants at Lo Tak Court to improve the environmental hygiene at the location concerned. If damaged manhole covers were identified by the FEHD's staff during cleansing work, the FEHD would work in coordination with the Highways Department for repairs and maintenance to ensure the proper functioning of the drains.
- 60. Members noted the captioned paper.

# IX <u>Item 8: Information Paper</u>

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

(TWDC Paper No. 35/24-25)

- 61. The Chairman said that the reports on the meetings of the six committees and a working group under the TWDC were set out in TWDC Paper No. 35/24-25.
- 62. Mr CHENG Chit-pun said that the Traffic and Transport Committee had discussed at its eighth meeting the issue of a large number of bicycles being left abandoned at the bus terminus of MTR Tsuen Wan West Station. He urged the Transport Department (TD) to follow up on the issue as soon as possible.
- 63. Chief Transport Officer/New Territories South West of the TD responded that the TD regularly conducted clearance operations to remove illegally parked or abandoned bicycles at the bus terminus. It was necessary for the TD to arrange and deploy resources appropriately for the conduction of clearance operations based on their urgency and significance. It would make arrangements for clearing the bicycles at the location mentioned by the Member as soon as possible.
- 64. The Chairman said that the TWDO had received complaints about illegally parked or abandoned bicycles from time to time. The TWDO would organise and coordinate inter-departmental joint clearance operations, while other departments would arrange clearance operations according to their respective duties. Given the resource constraint, government departments would handle the matter of concern in accordance with priority. He expected that Members would assist in strengthening publicity and education in this regard, thereby enhancing public awareness of properly parking and disposal of bicycles.

### X Item 9: Any Other Business

65. The Chairman said that the terms of office of the Members of the 2023-2025 Tsuen Wan District Youth Development and Civic Education Committee (TWDYDCEC) as well as the Tsuen Wan District Youth Community Building Committee (TWDYCBC) were coming to an end. The Chairman asked the Chairmen of the two committees, Mr CHAN Hiu-chun and Dr LEUNG Cheong-ming,

Raymond, to report on their work respectively.

## 66. Mr CHAN Hiu-chun reported as follows:

- (1) the TWDYDCEC had been established in April 2023. It had convened a total of eight meetings, mainly providing views on issues relating to youth development and civic education, as well as publicising and promoting local youth development and civic education activities. In addition, the TWDYDCEC had organised and coordinated a number of activities in the district. It had offered advice on the funding applications for district-based youth development and civic education activities from local organisations as well as the implementation and effectiveness of such activities. The primary responsibilities of the TWDYDCEC fell into the following three categories:
- (2) organising and co-ordinating district-based youth development and civic education activities: the TWDYDCEC had collaborated with different organisations in the district to provide local youths with comprehensive and diversified activities covering various areas, including self-awareness, community understanding and reciprocation, promotion of civic and national security education and improvement of emotional wellness of youths, etc., with a view to fostering an all-rounded physical and mental development among young people;
- (3) organising youth exchange activities in the Mainland: the TWDYDCEC had organised multiple youth exchange activities over the past two years, with destinations such as Shanghai, Hainan and the Greater Bay Area. They had provided local youths with the opportunities to visit significant national developments and learn about the latest advancements in the economic, technological and cultural aspects of different Mainland cities. It was conducive to broadening the horizons of youths and inspiring them to think more deeply about their future pathways, so that they would be well-prepared for actively participating in developing Hong Kong and contributing to the Motherland; and
- (4) co-ordinating the summer general activities in the district: with a view to helping youths to make good use of their spare time during summer holiday and explore their potential, the TWDYDCEC had put forth views to the TWDO on funding applications for summer general activities organised by local youth service organisations and schools every year. The activities covered various areas including social services, education and development, culture and arts, sports and recreation to fulfil the physical and mental development needs of youths.

- 67. Dr LEUNG Cheong-ming, Raymond reported as follows:
  - (1) the TWDYCBC had been established in April 2023. It had convened a total of eight meetings, mainly advising on district works and other community building projects, as well as relaying the views of local residents, particularly young people. In the meantime, the TWDYCBC had also provided suggestions on establishing the distinctive photo-taking landmark in Tsuen Wan district. The primary responsibilities of the TWDYCBC fell into the following three categories:
  - (2) advising on district works: the TWDYCBC had put forth views on district works or facilities and other community building projects specified by the TWDO, including Rural Public Works, District Minor Works and Local Public Works (maintenance), etc.;
  - (3) advising on other community building projects: the TWDO had invited the TWDYCBC to advise on other community building projects, including the art installations of Design District Hong Kong (#ddHK) and the youth hostel situated in Tsuen Wan West, etc. After conducting on-site inspections at the building projects, Members of the TWDYCBC had shared and promoted the information of the projects concerned to the target audiences through their district networks, soliciting participation and support from local residents, particularly the youth, in district development; and
  - (4) providing suggestions on establishing the distinctive photo-taking landmark in Tsuen Wan district: the TWDYCBC had established the Working Group on the Distinctive Photo-taking Landmark in March 2024, which had convened four meetings in total. Together with the TWDO, the TWDYCBC had taken forward the project of the distinctive photo-taking landmark themed "Interwoven Time in Tsuen Wan" and provided suggestions on the project details. A total of seven mosaic art installations had been displayed in September 2024. Created from photos submitted by members of the local community that depicted the now-and-then Tsuen Wan, the installations had showcased the various facets, development and transformation of Tsuen Wan over the years and become the distinctive photo-taking landmark in Tsuen Wan for residents and visitors to "check-in" and take photos.
- 68. The Chairman said that the two committees had carried out much work and made contributions for the local development over the past two years. Members of the next term would assume the posts in April 2025. The TWDO would review the work of the said committees in the past two years in the hope of better assisting the Government in taking forward the various work set out in the Youth Development Blueprint.

- 69. The Chairman said that the Home Affairs Department suggested that the District Offices should enhance the "Meet the Public Scheme" to enable local residents to reflect their views to DC Members more conveniently and directly. He proposed that the new mode of meeting should tentatively be setting up an on-street booth at least once every month. The on-street booth should be set up at different locations in the district. The Secretariat would later announce the details of the roster arrangements for DC Members.
- 70. The Chairman proposed adopting "further promotion of tourism and consumption in Tsuen Wan district" as the key district issue in 2025. He asked Members to assist in canvassing views from members of the public and then submit reports on the matter concerned. The Secretariat would announce the detailed arrangements in due course.
- 71. The Chairman said that the TWDO would co-organise the Tsuen Wan District 2025 Sharing Session on the Spirit of the "Two Sessions" cum National Security Education Day Carnival with local organisations on 12 April 2025, and had invited the TWDC to become a co-organiser of the event concerned. Members unanimously agreed to the suggestion.

### XI Item 10: Date of Next Meeting

72. The Chairman said that the date of the next meeting was 27 May 2025 (Tuesday). 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 were required to submit the paper with a notice in writing to the Secretariat ten clear working days before the meeting. Hence, the Chairman reminded Members that the deadline for submission of papers was 12 May 2025 (Monday).

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