

Minutes of the 7th Meeting of the  
Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee under the  
7th Term of Wong Tai Sin District Council

Date: 23 January 2025 (Thursday)  
Time: 2:30 p.m.  
Venue: Conference Room, Wong Tai Sin District Council,  
6/F, Lung Cheung Office Block,  
138 Lung Cheung Road,  
Wong Tai Sin, Kowloon

Present:

Chairman:

Ms. LUI Kai-lin, Wendy, MH                      WTSDC Member

Vice Chairman:

Ms. TANG Man-wai                                  WTSDC Member

Member:

Mr. CHAN Wai-kwan, Andie, MH              WTSDC Member

Mr. CHAN Ying, Leonard, MH                WTSDC Member

Mr. FUNG Kin-lok                                WTSDC Member

Mr. HUNG Chor-ying, Edmond                WTSDC Member

Mr. LAI Wing-ho, Joe, MH                    WTSDC Member

Mr. LEE Tung-kong                              WTSDC Member

Mr. LEUNG Tang-fung                         WTSDC Member

Mr. MOK Kin-wing, MH                        WTSDC Member

Mr. POON Cheuk-bun                          WTSDC Member

Ms. TAM Mei-po                                 WTSDC Member

Mr. YAU Yiu-shing, MH                        WTSDC Member

Mr. YEUNG Nok-hin                            WTSDC Member

Mr. YUEN Kwok-keung, MH                  WTSDC Member

Mr. YUET Ngai-keung                         WTSDC Member



I. Confirmation of Minutes of the 6th Meeting of the Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee under Wong Tai Sin District Council held on 17 December 2024

2. The minutes of the 6th meeting were confirmed without any amendment.

II. Progress Report of the 6th Meeting of the Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee under Wong Tai Sin District Council held on 17 December 2024

(WTSDC CICRC Paper No. 1/2025)

3. Members opined that the “Creative Story Writing Workshop” organised by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (“LCSD”) was very meaningful. Pointing out that the district had a rich history, Members hoped that LCSD would continue to promote similar activities.

4. Members noted the Paper.

III. Report on Arts and Cultural Activities Organised in Wong Tai Sin District by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department

(WTSDC CICRC Paper No. 2/2025)

5. The representative of LCSD presented the Paper.

6. Members noted the Paper.

IV. Report on the Recreation and Sports Activities Organised in Wong Tai Sin District by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department

(WTSDC CICRC Paper No. 3/2025)

7. The representative of LCSD presented the Paper.

8. The enquiries and views of Members are summarised as follows:
- (i) Members pointed out that some groups wished to hire LCSD's swimming pools for holding diving classes but were unable to do so due to the current shortage of lifeguards at swimming pools. Therefore, Members enquired whether the department would allow groups to hire lifeguards on their own to meet the demand for lifeguards;
  - (ii) Members mentioned that North District organised the "Hong Kong North District Flower Bird Insect & Fish Show" every year and enquired if the show would also be held this year. Also, pointing out that the organiser used to deliver tickets to ward offices of District Council Members of various districts by mail, Members enquired whether the organiser would do so this year;
  - (iii) Members said some residents living near Morse Park Swimming Pool reflected that the swimming pool announcements in the morning was too loud and their sleep was disturbed as a result. In this connection, Members enquired whether LCSD could give swimmers reminders using other methods instead of loudspeakers;
  - (iv) Members enquired whether LCSD could provide the design of the Wong Tai Sin garden plot of the "Hong Kong Flower Show 2025" ("Flower Show") as early as possible, so that Members and the public could know the exhibition area's display theme and design in advance;
  - (v) Members noticed that LCSD would distribute the flowers displayed to non-profit organisations or charitable organisations for replanting after the Flower Show ended. Therefore, Members suggested that the department could promote the scheme and invite groups in Wong Tai Sin District to participate; and
  - (vi) Pointing out that many children had participated in student drawing

competitions at previous Flower Shows, Members enquired whether LCSD could collaborate with schools in Wong Tai Sin District, so that the schools could obtain information on the activity more easily and organise sketching events.

9. The representative of LCSD gave a consolidated reply as follows:

- (i) LCSD pointed out that currently four of its swimming pools allowed hirers to arrange for lifeguards on their own to ensure the safety of swimming learners, but none of them were in in Wong Tai Sin District. The department would convey Members' views to the section concerned and report to CICRC the relevant progress in a timely manner;

(Post-meeting note: LCSD had conveyed the relevant views to the section concerned, and would report to Members through the Secretariat should there be any updates.)

- (ii) Regarding Members' enquiries about the "Hong Kong North District Flower Bird Insect & Fish Show", LCSD would learn about the details of the exhibition from the section concerned before giving a reply;

(Post-meeting note: LCSD said after the meeting that the "Hong Kong North District Flower Bird Insect & Fish Show" was held at Fanling Recreation Ground from 21 to 26 December 2024. The show was organised by the Hong Kong North District Flower, Bird, Insect And Fish Show Association Limited and co-organised by the North District Office, and the venue was provided by LCSD. The organiser of the "Hong Kong North District Flower Bird Insect & Fish Show 2024" said that since admission to the show was free, the arrangement to deliver tickets to ward offices of District Council Members in various districts by mail had been cancelled. Also, the organiser had yet to apply to LCSD for a venue for holding the "Hong Kong North District Flower Bird Insect & Fish Show 2025".)

- (iii) Regarding the noise problem at Morse Park Swimming Pool, LCSD would learn about the details and respond to Members as soon as

possible to minimise the noise impact on residents;

(Post-meeting note: After receiving Members' views, LCSD worked with the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department to jointly test and adjust the public address system of Morse Park Swimming Pool on 27 January. LCSD's staff also called the ward office of the Member involved for follow-up on 13 February and noted that no complaints from nearby residents about Morse Park Swimming Pool had been received since 1 February.)

(iv) LCSD said that it would provide the Secretariat with pictures of the flowers on the Wong Tai Sin garden plot for Members' reference in a timely manner;

(v) LCSD would keep loose and relatively intact flowers after the Flower Show ended so that members of the public could collect them. Also, the department would ask the Show Committee of Flower Show how groups could apply for flower collection and then provide the relevant information for Members' reference; and

(Post-meeting note: LCSD said after the meeting that it had launched the "Give the Flowers a New Home!" Jockey Club Flower Re-planting Scheme" in 2014 to encourage replanting and raise environmental awareness among the public. The scheme welcomed participation from schools, environmental groups and non-governmental organisations and was full immediately after LCSD began promoting it on the website of this year's Flower Show. LCSD would immediately notify Members of the enrolment details when the department implemented the scheme for the next Flower Show. In addition, the organiser would also distribute some flowers suitable for replanting to the public after the Flower Show ended. The organiser would announce the details through a press release at the end of the Flower Show, and LCSD would notify Members through the Secretariat then.)

(vi) Regarding the student drawing competition of the Flower Show, LCSD would provide the relevant information to the Wong Tai Sin District School Liaison Committee later and invite the Committee

to distribute the information to schools in the district so that students could enrol.

(Post-meeting note: LCSD said after the meeting that the secretariat of the Show Committee of Flower Show had written to all primary schools, secondary schools and tertiary institutions in Hong Kong on 2 January 2025, inviting interested students to enrol in the Flower Show 2025 student drawing competition through their respective primary and secondary schools. Enrolment started on 10 January with places distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. After the CICRC meeting on 23 January, the department noted that the number of applications received by the secretariat of the Show Committee of Flower Show had nearly reached the limit. Therefore, the department decided to promote the competition to the Wong Tai Sin District School Liaison Committee as early as possible when the same competition was organised for the next Flower Show. This year's competition was popular, attracting a total of 138 students from 16 primary and secondary schools in Wong Tai Sin District.)

10. The Chairman pointed out that local groups had been invited to host game booths at previous Flower Shows, where participants could win potted plants. Therefore, she enquired if there would be similar arrangements this year.

11. LCSD would find out from the secretariat of the Show Committee of Flower Show whether there would be any relevant activities at this year's Flower Shows and then notify Members.

(Post-meeting note: There would be no such booths at this year's Flower Show.)

12. The Chairman enquired whether LCSD could provide Members with electronic promotional materials for the Flower Show and links to the relevant websites later.

13. LCSD said that the department would provide Members with the event's electronic poster and relevant website for their reference.

(Post-meeting note: LCSD provided the Secretariat with the link to the website and electronic poster of this year's Flower Show by email on 24 February. The Secretariat

forwarded the relevant information to Members on the same day.)

14. Members noted the Paper.

V. Report on the Extension Activities and Usage of the Public Libraries in Wong Tai Sin District

(WTSDC CICRC Paper No. 4/2025)

15. The representative of LCSD presented the Paper.

16. The enquiries and views of Members are summarised as follows:

- (i) Members enquired whether exhibitions about national security would be held in public libraries in the future so that the public and children would have a place for learning about national security. Also, Members suggested that LCSD could better promote national security in public libraries;
- (ii) Members enquired whether the air-conditioning system replacement works at Fu Shan Public Library had been completed;
- (iii) Members said that CICRC had discussed placing more book drop boxes in MTR stations. Currently there was already a book drop box at Kowloon Tong MTR Station but the same service was not available in the four MTR stations in Wong Tai Sin District. In view of the above, Members enquired whether LCSD would place book drop boxes in MTR stations in the district this year; and
- (iv) Members enquired whether the official mobile application “My Library” of LCSD recorded the number of views of national security information, and what publicity channels were currently used by the department.

17. The representative of LCSD gave a consolidated reply as follows:

- (i) LCSD noted Members’ suggestions and responded that regarding the dissemination of information about national security, the department had set up a dedicated “National Security Education Resources” page on the Hong Kong Public Libraries website to provide the public with a one-stop service for searching for the relevant information. The department also organised thematic book displays from time to time to encourage the public to read books on topics like Chinese history and culture in order to cultivate patriotism. In addition, the department would also promote the above library page and activities to schools in the district;
- (ii) LCSD said that the air-conditioning system replacement works at Fu Shan Public Library had been completed, and the library had resumed full operation on 24 January 2025;
- (iii) LCSD said that the Hong Kong Public Libraries currently provided book drop service at three major MTR interchange stations, namely Kowloon Tong Station, Central Station and Nam Cheong Station. The department currently had no plans to place book drop boxes in other MTR stations; and
- (iv) LCSD said that members of the public could visit the “National Security Education Resources” page on the website of Hong Kong Public Libraries. The department needed to obtain the number of page views from the department in charge and respond to Members later. In addition, the department launched the Roving Book Exhibition on National Security Education every April, allowing visitors to read books recommended on the said webpage in libraries. LCSD would also organise activities such as book exhibitions and thematic storytelling workshops to complement this year’s “National Security Education Day”, the relevant details would be provided in the Paper about promotional activities of libraries at the next CICRC meeting.

18. Members noted the Paper.

VI. Proposal on Organising a Family Running Event to Promote the 15th National Games

(WTSDC CICRC Paper No. 5/2025)

19. Members presented the Paper with the aid of PowerPoint (Annex I).

20. The views of Members are summarised as follows:

***Month for Organising the Event***

- (i) Members supported the proposal to organise a Family Running Event (“Fun Run”) in Wong Tai Sin District and believed that it could effectively enhance parent-child relationships and promote sportsmanship. However, weather conditions and the outdoor temperature should also be considered when organising the Fun Run. If the event were to be held in summer, runners might be affected by heat, heavy rain or even typhoons, making it difficult for them to adapt. In addition, as many Hong Kong citizens would be away from Hong Kong during the summer holiday, it might reduce the number of participants of the event. Therefore, Members suggested considering organising the event in cooler months such as September or October and starting the run in the morning when the temperature was lower. Also, organising the event in September or October would complement the date of the 15th National Games of the People’s Republic of China (“National Games”).

***Route and Start Time of the Fun Run***

- (i) Members pointed out that the median age of residents in Wong Tai Sin District was relatively high. Therefore, the fitness levels of participants should be considered in the route design of the Fun Run to ensure that the route and the competition format were suitable for participants of different age groups;
- (ii) Members opined that a feasible and suitable route should be

designed for the event and suggested setting the finishing point at Hammer Hill Road Sports Ground to make it easier for participants to disperse; and

- (iii) Members suggested that the Fun Run could be held in groups, i.e. dividing participants into elite groups and school groups, and assigning different start times for each group to ensure that the event could be conducted in an orderly manner. This could also tie in with the concept of “MVPA60” (i.e. to accumulate at least an average of 60 minutes of moderate- to vigorous-intensity physical activities every day across the week) advocated by the Education Bureau and encourage students and parents to participate together, thereby enhancing their cardiorespiratory fitness and health awareness.

#### ***Event Promotion***

- (i) Members said that many retired athletes were very influential, and that inviting them to help promote the event at an early stage would attract more participants; and
- (ii) Members opined that warm-up activities of different kinds could be held in the district one month or a few weeks before the Fun Run to boost the atmosphere of the event and the National Games.

#### ***Setting a Theme***

- (i) Members suggested setting a theme for the event. As the event was a Fun Run rather than a professional marathon, its goal would be to allow participants to enjoy sports and encourage parents and children to participate together;
- (ii) Members opined that in addition to inviting students in the district to participate in the event, the department should also consider inviting residents from outside the district to participate, so that the

event would become one of the yearly highlight events of Wong Tai Sin District and continuously strengthen the cohesion and vibrancy of the community;

- (iii) Members suggested adding carnival elements to the event and encouraging participants to wear specific costumes to match the theme, so that residents of different age groups could participate;
- (iv) Members suggested adding other sports elements such as Tai Chi and yoga into the event to encourage participants to stay at the venue and participate in other sports after completing the Fun Run, thereby making the event more interesting; and
- (v) Members pointed out that the “Lianzhou City Fun Run” mentioned in the Paper had attracted not only residents of Lianzhou City, but also running teams from different provinces and cities to participate. Therefore, Members opined that events held in Wong Tai Sin District should be opened not only to residents in the district, but also residents of adjacent areas and even tourists, so as to boost the events’ popularity and influence.

### ***Boosting the Economy***

- (i) Members suggested encouraging private enterprises and businesses to actively participate in the event, so as to promote their businesses and boost the local economy at the same time.

21. Members noted the Paper and opined that the details of the event could be further discussed.

### VII. Any Other Business

22. Members raised no other issues.

VIII. Date of Next Meeting

23. The 8th Meeting of CICRC would be held at 2:30 p.m. on 27 March 2025 (Thursday) in the Conference Room of WTSDC.

24. The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Wong Tai Sin District Council Secretariat

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