Minutes of the 16th Meeting of Community Building Committee Yau Tsim Mong District Council (2012-2015)

Date: 24 July 2014 (Thursday)

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Venue: Yau Tsim Mong District Council Conference Room

4/F., Mong Kok Government Offices

30 Luen Wan Street Mong Kok, Kowloon

Present:

Chairman

Mr WONG Kin-san

Vice-chairman

Mr HUNG Chiu-wah, Derek

District Council Members

Mr CHUNG Kong-mo, JP Mr CHOW Chun-fai, BBS, Mr WONG Chung, John

JP

Ms KO Po-ling, BBS, MH, Mr HUI Tak-leung Mr WONG Man-sing, Barry,

JP MH

Mr CHAN Siu-tong, MH Mr IP Ngo-tung, Chris Ms WONG Shu-ming

Mr CHAN Wai-keung Ms KWAN Sau-ling Mr YEUNG Tsz-hei, Benny, MH

Mr CHOI Siu-fung, Mr LAU Pak-kei

Benjamin

Co-opted Members

Mr SIU Hong-ping Mr KONG Pui-wai

Mr CHIU Sung-bun, Ernest Mr TSE Ping-kwan, Raymond

Mr LAU Kai-kit, Vincent

Representatives of the Government

Mr CHIU Chung-yan, Assistant District Officer (Yau Home Affairs Department

Charlson Tsim Mong)

Mr CHUI Yu-ming Senior Community Relations Independent Commission

Officer, Regional Office Against Corruption

(Kowloon West)

Ms CHUNG Po-yuk Senior School Development Education Bureau

Officer (Yau Tsim and Mong

Kok) 1

Ms WONG Sau-ling, Vicky Deputy District Leisure Manager Leisure and Cultural

(Yau Tsim Mong) 2 Services Department

Miss CHAN Wai-chun Assistant District Social Welfare Department

Officer (Kowloon City/Yau

Tsim Mong) 2

Ms SZE Nga-wan, Wendy Sergeant, Police Community Hong Kong Police Force

Relations Office (Yau Tsim) Mr WONG Sai-kit Neighbourhood Police Hong Kong Police Force Co-ordinator (Mong Kok Police District) **Secretary** Ms WONG Ka-wing, Executive Officer I (District Home Affairs Department Glorious Council), Yau Tsim Mong In Attendance: Mr CHUNG Sze-pong, District Commander (Mong Kok Hong Kong Police Force District) Kent Mr YU Wai-kit, Stephen Chief Inspector of Police Hong Kong Police Force (Administration) (Mong Kok District) Mr HON Chun-sing Assistant Maintenance **Highways Department** Engineer/Structure (Kowloon Central) Mr Saxon WENG Mandatory Provident Fund Chief Manager (Liaison) **Schemes Authority** Ms Terry CHEUNG Mandatory Provident Fund Manager (Liaison) Schemes Authority Assistant Director (Waste **Environmental Protection** Mr LAI Yiu-kei, Samson Management Policy) Department Senior Engineer (Waste **Environmental Protection** Mr LEUNG Siu-kong, Management Policy Division) Department Eddie Senior Town Planner/Yau Tsim Ms YUEN Man-sin, Planning Department Michelle Mong (Acting), Tsuen Wan and West Kowloon District Planning Office Dr Nelson WAT Hospital Chief Executive, Kwong **Hospital Authority** Wah Hospital & Tung Wah Group of Hospitals Wong Tai Sin Hospital Ms Angela LI General Manager (Administrative **Hospital Authority** Services), Kwong Wah Hospital & Tung Wah Group of Hospitals Wong Tai Sin Hospital Ms Winnie KAN Senior Hospital Manager, Kwong **Hospital Authority** Wah Hospital & Tung Wah Group of Hospitals Wong Tai Sin Hospital **Absent:** Mr HAU Wing-cheong, District Council Member BBS, MH Mr KO Hiu-wing Co-opted Member

Co-opted Member

Ms LEE See-yin, Leticia

Opening Remarks

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting and introduced Mr Benjamin CHOI who attended the Community Building Committee ("CBC") meeting for the first time. He reported that Ms CHUNG Po-yuk, Senior School Development Officer (Yau Tsim and Mong Kok) 1 of the Education Bureau ("EDB") attended the meeting on behalf of Mrs LING SO Ka-lan, Jacqueline. In addition, Mr CHUI Yu-ming, Senior Community Relations Officer, Regional Office (Kowloon West) of the Independent Commission Against Corruption ("ICAC") attended the meeting on behalf of Ms LEE Fung-sze. Furthermore, Miss CHAN Wai-chun, Assistant District Social Welfare Officer (Kowloon City/Yau Tsim Mong) 2 of the Social Welfare Department ("SWD") attended the meeting on behalf of Ms WONG Yin-yee. As for the Hong Kong Police Force ("HKPF"), Ms Wendy SZE, Sergeant, Police Community Relations Office (Yau Tsim) attended the meeting on behalf of Ms WONG Ping-ping, and Mr WONG Sai-kit, Neighbourhood Police Co-ordinator (Mong Kok Police District) attended the meeting on behalf of Ms HONG Yuen-kwan, Natalie. Moreover, he reported that Mr HAU Wing-cheong, Mr KO Hiu-wing and Ms Leticia LEE were absent due to other commitments.

Item 1: Confirmation of Minutes of Last Meeting

2. The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed without amendment.

Item 2: Matter Arising:

- (i) Early Establishment of Tai Kok Tsui Police Station (YTMCBC Paper No. 18/2014)
- had been distributed to Members for perusal before the meeting. He then welcomed Mr Kent CHUNG, District Commander (Mong Kok District) and Mr Stephen YU, Chief Inspector of Police (Administration) (Mong Kok District) of the HKPF to the meeting.
 - 4. <u>Mr LAU Pak-kei</u> supplemented the contents of the paper. He was disappointed that the SB did not send any representatives to join the discussion. He hoped that the SB would provide residents of Tai Kok Tsui with the construction schedule and site information of the Tai Kok Tsui Police Station and conduct district consultation on the project as soon as possible.
 - 5. Mr Kent CHUNG responded as follows:
 - (a) The advance works of investigation and design for the Tai Kok Tsui Police Station project had commenced, and the Administration would assess the project cost thoroughly. After the completion of the advance works, the Administration would seek funding approval from the Public Works Subcommittee and the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council according to the scheduled priority of the project.
 - (b) The HKPF had kept an eye on the law and order situation and policing needs of the Mong Kok Police District (including Tai Kok Tsui District). The Police

would deploy manpower and resources in a timely and flexible manner in accordance with community development, population growth and community concerns.

(c) The law and order situation in Tai Kok Tsui District was good. The HKPF had timely strengthened the establishment of the Mong Kok Police District since 2000. In addition, 120 frontline police officers were added in phases to tie in with the development of Tai Kok Tsui and its vicinity. In addition to the resources of the Mong Kok Police District, the HKPF would also deploy the Emergency Unit vehicles and the Police Tactical Unit of the Kowloon West Region to Tai Kok Tsui District to deal with emergency incidents and conduct targeted anti-crime patrols.

(Mr Benny YEUNG joined the meeting at 2:35 p.m.)

- 6. Mr CHOW Chun-fai recalled that the Planning Department ("PlanD") had submitted papers in 1985, proposing the construction of a divisional police station in Mong Kok West (now known as Tai Kok Tsui) to tie in with the growth of residential and transient population of Mong Kok District. The proposal was supported by the Mong Kok District Council at that time. A Category A works project in 1990, the construction of the Tai Kok Tsui Police Station was shelved by the Government reluctantly due to fiscal deficit in the 1990s. He opined that there was no time to waste in constructing the Tai Kok Tsui Police Station and suggested the CBC write to the Secretary for Security, urging the Administration to implement the project as soon as possible and report regularly to the CBC on the progress of the project.
- 7. Mr Benjamin CHOI said that recently a fire broke out mysteriously at an old building under acquisition by a developer in Tai Kok Tsui District. Besides, robbery cases also happened in a number of flats when bamboo scaffolds were erected at several buildings in that district to facilitate maintenance works. It showed that the law and order in Tai Kok Tsui District was not that good. He hoped the funding priority of the Tai Kok Tsui Police Station project would not be affected just because there were no signs of decline in law and order of that district. He also hoped the SB and the HKPF would report regularly to the CBC on the progress of this project. Finally, he enquired if the demarcation of the boundaries of Mong Kok Police District and Yau Tsim Police District would be adjusted after the completion of the Tai Kok Tsui Police Station.

(Ms KO Po-ling joined the meeting at 2:44 p.m.)

- 8. Mr CHUNG Kong-mo said that local residents had been urging the Administration to construct the Tai Kok Tsui Police Station for years. Although the law and order situation in Tai Kok Tsui District was better than that in Mong Kok District, he hoped the HKPF would not concentrate its manpower in Mong Kok District at the expense of Tai Kok Tsui District. He hoped the HKPF could step up patrol in Tai Kok Tsui District (such as the new reclamation area and the vicinity of Hoi Wang Road). He also prodded the Administration to make funding application for the project as soon as possible and hoped the HKPF would not reduce its presence in the Mong Kok Police District after the new police station was completed.
- 9. Mr LAU Pak-kei said that the law and order in Tai Kok Tsui District had not

deteriorated in recent years. However, with growing population, frequent redevelopment projects and building maintenance works, it was necessary to construct a divisional police station in this district. He agreed with the suggestion of writing to the Secretary for Security and proposed that the SB should report regularly to the CBC on the progress of the Tai Kok Tsui Police Station project.

- 10. Mr John WONG said that although the law and order in Tai Kok Tsui District had not deteriorated, many residents worried that the redevelopment projects of old buildings would become hotbeds of crime. He continued that as government departments did not object to the Tai Kok Tsui Police Station project, he failed to see why the project was stalled time and again.
- 11. Mr HUI Tak-leung was dissatisfied that the SB did not send any representatives to participate in the discussion on this item. He suggested the HKPF consider sending crime reporting vehicles to Tai Kok Tsui District to facilitate residents to report crimes. Moreover, he commended the frontline police officers of the Mong Kok Police District for their efforts in maintaining the law and order in Tai Kok Tsui District.

(Mr CHAN Wai-keung and Mr KONG Pui-wai joined the meeting at 2:52 p.m.)

- 12. Ms KO Po-ling was disappointed that the Tai Kok Tsui Police Station project was still a Category D public works project. She said that according to the prediction made by the Government in 1985, a continuous rise in population of Tai Kok Tsui District might put the frontline police officers of Mong Kok Police District under great work pressure. In view of that, the Administration suggested that a police station be constructed in Tai Kok Tsui District. However, the project had yet to be implemented after all these years. She urged the SB to accord higher funding priority to this project and deploy crime reporting vehicles for the convenience of residents.
- 13. Mr CHAN Wai-keung said that there were residents from the Charming Constituency and the Fu Pak Constituency who went to the Yau Ma Tei Police Station to report crime. However, the officer of the report room asked them to go to the Mong Kok Police Station. As these two constituencies were far from the Mong Kok Police Station, it caused great inconvenience to the informants. In this connection, he asked the Administration to consider setting up a neighbourhood police unit in the proposed West Kowloon Government Offices at Hoi Ting Road before the completion of the Tai Kok Tsui Police Station. Otherwise, the HKPF could also consider setting up the unit in his office for the convenience of the residents of Tai Kok Tsui District.

14. <u>Mr Kent CHUNG</u> responded as follows:

- (a) He would relay the views of CBC's Members to the SB and the senior management of the HKPF.
- (b) He would pass on Members' commendations to the frontline officers of the Mong Kok Police District.
- (c) To dovetail with the development in Tai Kok Tsui, the HKPF had deployed an addition of approximately 120 frontline police officers to the district by phases since 2000.

- (d) In Tai Kok Tsui District, the HKPF sent frontline officers to patrol streets and deployed patrol cars to assist in the maintenance of law and order for crime prevention.
- (e) The HKPF would decide whether to establish a temporary report centre in Tai Kok Tsui having regard to various factors, including crime statistics.
- (f) Members of the public could file reports at any report centres in Hong Kong. He would probe into the case relayed by Mr CHAN Wai-keung with the officers in the Yau Tsim Police District.
- 15. <u>Mr CHAN Wai-keung</u> reflected that the officers at a police station had once told him that report centres only dealt with the cases happened in their respective police districts.
- 16. Mr Kent CHUNG responded that under general circumstances, members of the public could file reports at any report centres rather than the one in the police district where the case took place. He reiterated that he would liaise with the Yau Tsim Police District regarding Mr CHAN Wai-keung's views.
- 17. <u>The Chairman</u> enquired whether Members agreed to write to the Secretary for Security to express Members' views on this item. There was no objection.
- 18. <u>The Chairman</u> thanked the representatives of the HKPF for joining the discussion on this item.
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Item 2: Matters Arising:

ii) To Provide Safe Means for Users of Footbridges in the District by Painting Step Edges Yellow (YTMCBC Paper No. 26/2014)

- 19. The Chairman said that the written response of the Highways Department ("HyD") (Annex 3) had been distributed to Members for perusal before the meeting. He then welcomed Mr HON Chun-sing, Assistant Maintenance Engineer/Structure (Kowloon Central) to the meeting.
 - 20. Mr HON Chun-sing responded that upon receipt of the paper submitted by Councillors, the HyD had inspected the footbridges and subways in YTM District to decide whether to repaint the yellow lines or add new ones to the places without them. The HyD had arranged for the repainting of damaged yellow lines on the pedestrian footbridges at Mong Kok Road and Argyle Street as well as the subway at Soy Street in July. In addition, the HyD had added yellow lines along the step edges of the footbridge at the junction of Ferry Street and Waterloo Road as well as the subway at Dundas Street to enhance pedestrian safety.
 - 21. <u>Ms KWAN Sau-ling</u> thanked the HyD for deploying its staff to inspect the footbridges and subways in the district and repainting the damaged yellow lines in July. She

hoped that the HyD would inspect the footbridges and subways in the district regularly and take follow-up actions where necessary to ensure pedestrian safety.

22. <u>Ms WONG Shu-ming</u> indicated that the yellow lines along the step edges of the subway at Bute Street were damaged. She hoped that the HyD would repaint the step edges as soon as possible and report to the Chairman and her upon completion.

(<u>Post-meeting note:</u> The HyD had completed repainting the yellow lines along the step edges of the subway at Bute Street (KS 40) on 22 August 2014.)

23. Mr CHAN Siu-tong thanked the HyD for promptly inspecting the footbridges and subways in the district and arranging for the repainting of damaged yellow lines. He hoped that the HyD would ascertain the durability of the materials used for the yellow lines in order to arrange for timely repainting.

(Mr Vincent LAU joined the meeting at 3:08 p.m.)

- 24. Mr HON Chun-sing responded that the HyD noticed that the yellow lines along the step edges of the subway at Bute Street had been worn down. As lift installation works were currently underway at the subway, maintenance could not be carried out immediately. However, the HyD had discussed the repainting arrangements with the contractor. He continued that the HyD would inspect the footbridges and subways in the district regularly and arrange for maintenance in a timely manner upon finding any damages of the yellow lines.
- 25. <u>The Chairman</u> noted the follow-up actions taken by the HyD regarding this item. However, he was dissatisfied that the HyD did not send representative to the last meeting to report on the related arrangements. He hoped that the HyD would maintain proper communication with the CBC in the future.

Item 2: Matters Arising:

(iii) To Seek Improvement to Pedestrian Safety on Footbridge (No. KF 82) Spanning over Granville Road and Chatham Road South (YTMCBC Paper No. 29/2014)

- 26. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the written response of the HyD (Annex 3) had been distributed to Members for perusal before the meeting. He then welcomed Mr HON Chun-sing, Assistant Maintenance Engineer/Structure (Kowloon Central) to the meeting.
- 27. <u>Ms Kwan Sau-ling</u> supplemented the contents of the paper. She remarked that the HyD staff had reported on their follow-up actions to her on phone and in writing. During a site inspection, she had also found a sign warning of "Slippery Surface" displayed prominently on the deck of the footbridge. She added that the HyD had undertaken to pave the deck and ramp of Footbridge KF82 with non-slip material in October. She was satisfied with the follow-up actions taken by the HyD.
- 28. Mr HON Chun-sing responded that the HyD had conducted a slip resistance test on Footbridge KF82 upon receipt of Ms KWAN Sau-ling's paper. The test showed that there was a need to pave the deck and ramp of the footbridge with non-slip material. Given the relatively heavy pedestrian flow on the footbridge, the paving of non-slip material had to be

appropriately scheduled. The works was expected to be completed by the end of October. The HyD had displayed a notice prominently on the deck of the footbridge to warn pedestrians of slippery surface.

- 29. <u>The Chairman</u> thanked the representative of the HyD for joining the discussion on this item.
- Item 3: Financial Position of Yau Tsim Mong District Council ("YTMDC") Funds as at 14 July 2014 (YTMCBC Paper No. 32/2014)
- Item 4: Funding Application from 2014-2015 Yau Tsim Mong Road Safety Campaign Organising Committee for Production of Road Safety Publicity Items
 (YTMCBC Paper No. 38/2014)
- Item 5: Funding Application from 2014-2015 Yau Tsim Mong Road Safety Campaign Organising Committee for Organising Road Safety Talk for Elderlies in Yau Tsim Mong ("YTM") District (YTMCBC Paper No. 39/2014)
- 30. <u>The Chairman</u> proposed that papers in respect of Items 3 to 5 about District Council ("DC") funding be discussed together and there was no objection. He reminded Councillors to fill in the Declaration of Interests Form on the table if necessary.
- 31. Members noted the financial position of the YTMDC Community Involvement Funds as at 14 July 2014 and approved funding applications of items 4 to 5 (YTMCBC Paper Nos. 38/2014 and 39/2014).
- 32. In respect of item 4 (YTMCBC Paper No. 38/2014), Members endorsed an allocation of \$87,220 for the Yau Tsim Mong Road Safety Campaign Organising Committee to produce road safety publicity items during the year.
- 33. In respect of item 5 (YTMCBC Paper No. 39/2014), Members endorsed an allocation of \$22,780 for the Yau Tsim Mong Road Safety Campaign Organising Committee to organise "Road Safety Talk for Elderlies in YTM District" in the current year.

Item 6: Reform of the MPF System — Public Consultation on MPF "Core Fund" (YTMCBC Paper No. 35/2014)

- 34. <u>The Chairman</u> welcomed Mr Saxon WENG, Chief Manager (Liaison) and Ms Terry CHEUNG, Manager (Liaison) of the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority ("MPFA") to the meeting.
- 35. <u>Mr Saxon WENG</u> and <u>Ms Terry CHEUNG</u> gave a PowerPoint presentation to briefly introduce the MPF "Core Fund" scheme.
- 36. Mr CHAN Siu-tong said that the MPF had long been denounced for its high administrative fees. He wondered why the MPFA capped the fees charged by a "Core Fund" at 0.75% of the fund's assets while leaving the fees charged for other MPF schemes in the

market unregulated. He continued that the Government had not made any MPF contribution for Councillors as they were not government-hired. Therefore, it might be inappropriate for the MPFA to consult Councillors who might not familiar with MPF operation on the "Core Fund" scheme.

- 37. <u>Mr Barry WONG</u> enquired whether the Administration would penalise a trustee or revoke its licence if the fees charged by its "Core Fund" exceeded 0.75% of the fund's assets.
- 38. Mr CHAN Wai-keung said that the return of a "Core Fund" was relatively lower as it was a kind of low-risk investment. He wondered if the rates of return of a "Core Fund" could catch up with inflation rate. He continued that according to the consultation paper, one of the characteristics of the "Core Fund" was that as the MPF members approaching retirement age, investment risk would automatically be lowered so as to balance the risks and returns of the long-term investment. However, he considered that it would be more sensible to determine the investment risk in accordance with the ups and downs of the market.
- 39. <u>Ms KO Po-ling</u> said that the consultation paper indicated that the MPFA would require all MPF schemes to provide a "Core Fund" with low and standardised cost. She asked whether the MPFA was responsible for supervising the operation of those "Core Funds", and wondered how they were related to other funds.
- 40. <u>Ms KWAN Sau-ling</u> enquired whether the Government would consider launching a government-managed and tax-subsidised social security net alongside the MPF system to strengthen public retirement protection.
- 41. Mr WONG Shu-ming indicated that the MPF system had been implemented for almost 14 years, yet the protection provided for retirees was insufficient. More often than not, the ones who would be benefited were the fund managers and the senior management of the MPFA. She continued that each MPF scheme could launch a "Core Fund" in accordance with its own requirements as stated in the consultation paper. She asked the representatives of the MPFA to explain this.
- 42. <u>The Vice-chairman</u> opined that the administrative fees charged by the MPF schemes were unreasonably high. So far only fund managers and relevant practitioners had benefited from them. He said that although the fees charged by a "Core Fund" were less than 0.75% of the fund's assets, there was still room for downward adjustment. In addition, the strategy of the "Core Fund" to lower investment risk automatically in accordance with age might fail to provide better returns for retirees.

43. <u>Mr Saxon WENG</u> responded as below:

- (a) The MPFA noted that the public generally considered that fees for MPF schemes were too high and the rates of return too low.
- (b) Fund investment would be affected by the market and economic cycle. Since the inception of the MPF system in 2000, the MPFA recorded losses in four years and gains in nine years. The average investment return for MPF members under MPF schemes was 4%.
- (c) The "Core Fund" could provide one more option for MPF members who had

not made any investment decision or choice. The Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development pointed out that an appropriate default fund should be developed based on the average life expectancy and investment approach of the people in Hong Kong. The MPFA would consult the views of the industry on the technical details and implementation proposals of the "Core Fund".

- (d) There were 41 MPF schemes in the market at present. To implement the "Core Fund", one of the proposals was to allow MPF schemes to launch their own "Core Funds" while another proposal was that all MPF schemes should share one "Core Fund". The MPFA was consulting the views of the industry on the proposals.
- (e) The MPFA was not empowered by the law to cap the MPF fees. To maintain the fees at a low level, the MPFA could cap the fees when it launched the new "Core Fund" scheme.
- 44. <u>Ms WONG Shu-ming</u> said that the MPFA was established under the Financial Services and the Treasury Bureau. Yet, its representatives contended that it was not conferred with much power and therefore failed to regulate MPF schemes in many respects. Were it to be so, she did not understand why the MPFA consulted the views of Members on the "Core Fund". She further pointed out that the MPFA should step up publicity and make known to the public that capital preservation fund might not be able to catch up with inflation. Moreover, the MPFA should set up its own "Core Fund" and regulate its operation.
- 45. <u>Mr Benjamin CHOI</u> considered that the MPF system had reduced the income of the public and was in fact against the constitution. Moreover, he hoped the MPFA could jointly organise MPF carnivals or tea gatherings with community members and DC Councillors to enhance public understanding towards the MPF operation.
- 46. <u>Mr CHAN Wai-keung</u> said that the "Core Fund" should adjust the investment strategy according to the ups and downs of the market rather than reduce the investment risk automatically according to the age of MPF members. Moreover, the MPF fees charged should be linked to performance of the fund concerned.
- 47. Mr CHUNG Kong-mo said that according to the MPFA the average investment return for MPF members was 4% since the inception of the MPF system. He would like to know whether the return rate was net of inflation and handling fees.
- 48. Mr Saxon WENG said that the investment return of 4% was net of administrative fees but inflation had not been factored in. He said that many people opined that MPF fees should be linked to the performance of the fund and the "Core Fund" should be operated by the Government. He said that the Government had once indicated its readiness to study the concept of first pillar proposed by the World Bank and he would reflect the above views to the policy departments.
- 49. <u>The Chairman</u> thanked the representatives of the MPFA for participating in the discussion of this item.

Item 7: Development of a Community Green Station (YTMCBC Paper No. 33/2014)

- 50. <u>The Chairman</u> welcomed Mr Samson LAI, Assistant Director and Mr Eddie LEUNG, Senior Engineer of the Environmental Protection Department ("EPD").
- 51. Mr Samson LAI gave a PowerPoint presentation on the background, current progress and the proposed site for the development of a community green station in YTM District ("CGS Project").
- 52. Mr Benjamin CHOI said that the proposed site was vacant as indicated by the representatives of the EPD with no designated use for the time being. He enquired with the EPD whether it was sure that the site would not be used for other purposes in the future. Moreover, he considered it inappropriate to cite Seoul, Korea and Christchurch, New Zealand as examples to demonstrate how non-profit making social enterprises could successfully promote the culture of environmental protection because their situations were vastly different from that of Hong Kong. He then enquired with the EPD how the non-profit making organisation ("NPO") was selected for operating the CGS Project.
- Ms WONG Shu-ming considered that the EPD launched the CGS Project hastily without careful consideration. She continued that according to the representatives of the EPD, the department, after considering the contract requirements of similar environmental project in Shatin, would require operator of the CGS Project not to store recyclable materials in the selected site for more than seven consecutive days. She would like to know what actions the department would take if the operator breached the above requirement. On the engagement of operator through open tender, she enquired how the EPD could ensure the organisation appointed had adequate experience in operating the project concerned. She also said that YTM was a densely populated district. Such environmental projects should first be launched in districts where ease of implementation could be envisaged.
- 54. Mr CHAN Wai-keung asked how the Government would provide funding to the NPO for its operation of the CGS Project, such as the funding amount and duration, as well as how it would monitor the operator. He added that the consultation paper did not provide key information for Members' consideration. Moreover, if the project launched by the NPO failed to produce results, he worried that the public might see this as a waste of land resources by the Government.
- Mr Vincent LAU asked, apart from the proposed location, whether the Government had considered other sites. He added that as the proposed site was adjacent to Hampton Place, he would like to know whether the Government had consulted the residents of that housing estate. He hoped that the EPD could provide more specific and detailed information about the CGS Project for Members' consideration.

- 56. Mr John WONG opined that it might not be necessary to make a recyclable collection point an environmental landmark. He continued that the proposed site covered an area of 1 600 square metres, while the site for the Signature Project of YTM District was no more than 400 square metres. He doubted whether such a large area was necessary for the implementation of an environmental project. Furthermore, he said that since the project was not so popular among the residents and stakeholders in the area concerned, the Administration should carry out consultation properly. He also asked whether the EPD would consider operating the CGS by means of collection vehicles.
- 57. Mr HUI Tak-leung considered that the contents of the consultation paper were not specific enough. Furthermore, he criticised that it was unfair for the Government to frequently appoint political groups instead of social and welfare organisations to operate community projects.
- Mr LAU Pak-kei said that the Government had launched extensive consultation on the relocation of the FEHD's vehicle depot at Sai Yee Street before seeking the views of the YTMDC. However, this time the EPD had failed to provide specific information of the CGS Project to the CBC and the consultation was conducted in such a hasty fashion that only the two schools near the proposed site were consulted. He objected to the site proposed by the EPD and opined that it was more appropriate to build other community facilities (e.g. a green park) at that location. He also said that Members would support the project only if they had a clear understanding of how the operator was selected and the details of the CGS Project. In addition, he doubted whether the proposed location was the only suitable site in the district for the project.
- Mr CHAN Siu-tong doubted whether the Environment Bureau had sufficient manpower resources to implement concurrently the waste charging scheme and the plans for landfill extensions and the building of integrated waste management facility as well as set up a CGS in each of the 18 districts. He said that private recyclers in the YTM District mainly operated at Reclamation Street and their activities had caused nuisance to the surrounding environment. If the CGS was to be operated by NPO, he doubted that it might not have the capacity and experience to implement the project and achieve the expected results. Furthermore, he opined that members of the public might be reluctant to bring their recyclables to the proposed site which was inconveniently located. He proposed that the Government should create an environmental city for private recyclers to operate their business. Furthermore, allowances and subsidies should be provided to promote the development of the recycling industry. He believed that this would better suit the actual situation.
- 60. Ms KO Po-ling said that the two schools near the proposed site had no objection to the CGS Project because they both considered the issue from the perspective of environmental education. She opined that residents had misgivings about the CGS Project because the recycling business in Tai Kok Tsui had caused nuisance to the surrounding environment. She urged the EPD to conduct the consultation properly so as to assuage the misgivings of residents and Members about the project.
- 61. Mr CHUNG Kong-mo said that although the CGS Project required that recyclables could only be stored for no more than seven consecutive days, there would still be hygiene problems if glass bottles were recycled as CGS only collected recyclables while no dismantling or cleaning work would be carried out on site. He continued that when the FEHD relocated its Sai Yee Street Vehicle Depot to Yen Ming Road in Tai Kok Tsui, extensive discussion had been carried out due to objection from residents. He reckoned that

residents in Tai Kok Tsui might have grievances as the Government had implemented a number of obnoxious projects in their community. In this connection, he asked whether the EPD would consider implementing the green project at another site. He also said that given the remote location of the proposed site, residents might be reluctant to bring their recyclables there. In addition, he asked whether the operator had the tax exemption letter issued by the Inland Revenue Department to prove that it was a bona fide NPO. He also pointed out that Councillors and Members who spoke up at the meeting had reservation on the CGS Project.

- 62. The Vice-chairman requested the EPD to provide two to three alternative sites for Members' consideration. He referred to the consultation paper that the CGS Project aimed to provide support for waste reduction and recovery work. He asked how the project could achieve the purpose of waste reduction. He added that under the project the EPD or NPO engaged by it might deploy vehicles to collect recyclables. He opined that this might violate the user-pay principle and would like to know what measures the EPD would put in place to prevent the public from abusing the waste recovery mechanism.
- 63. Mr Barry WONG wanted to know the duration for the NPO to operate the CGS, the amount of subvention provided by the Government for operating the project and how the Government would monitor its performance. He also enquired whether a NPO or charity organisation would be appointed to operate the project concerned.

(Mr CHAN Siu-tong left the meeting at 5:10 p.m.)

64. Mr Samson LAI responded as below:

- (a) The Government had an urgent need to promote environmental education to residents in the district through the CGS Project.
- (b) The EPD had conducted briefings to a number of DCs. District consultation for individual projects would commence thereafter having regard to actual circumstances. The EPD would make application to the LandsD for use of the selected site by means of temporary government land allocation. After that, NPOs would be appointed through open tenders to operate the projects concerned.
- (c) The appointed operators must fulfil the requirements and eligibility criteria for NPOs of the Inland Revenue Department. The organisations must have district network or experience in serving the relevant district.
- (d) Glass bottles collected at the recyclable collection points would be sent to suitable processing plants for crushing and recycling, e.g. for manufacturing of building materials such as glass sand and glass blocks. According to the estimation of the Development Bureau, the demand of public works for the building materials concerned was sufficient to support territory-wide recycling of glass bottles. In view of this, the situation in which collected glass bottles being sent to landfills for dumping should not occur.
- (e) The EPD had provided subvention for Caritas Hong Kong and St. James' Settlement to implement recycling programmes for computers and household electrical appliances. Moreover, the EPD was also seeking funding approval from the Legislative Council for the construction of processing facilities at the

- EcoPark in Tuen Mun which could handle waste electrical and electronic equipment collected throughout the territory.
- (f) Collected compact fluorescent lamps could be sent to the chemical waste treatment centre in Tsing Yi for processing.
- (g) Collected rechargeable batteries could be delivered to processing facilities in Japan and Korea etc. for processing.
- (h) The EPD estimated that most of the recyclable materials delivered to the CGS would be glass bottles. Depending on public participation, sufficient glass bottles could be accumulated for delivery to other districts for processing in a day or two, limiting the duration for glass bottles to be stored at the CGS to less than seven days.
- (i) The term of the operating contract for the CGS was three years. The EPD would appoint operator through re-tendering upon expiry of the contract. It would give scores to the operator. If the operator performed badly, it would be reflected in the scores.
- (j) Although some Councillors considered that the proposed site was not easily accessible, locations in the district which were accessible were densely populated and highly developed and could hardly be used for development as CGS. Moreover, with two MTR stations in the vicinity, the location was not that inconvenient.
- (k) Only glass bottles, computers/household electrical appliances, compact fluorescent lamps and rechargeable batteries would be collected at the CGS. Since food wastes were not included, the project would not cause nuisance to nearby residents. Moreover, the EPD would green the CGS as appropriate to beautify the environment.
- (l) The EPD had considered other sites including open space under flyovers. However, the up-ramps and bridge decks of most flyovers in the YTM District were close to the ground level, leaving no space for pedestrian crossings and parking places. Therefore, they were not suitable for use as CGS.
- 65. <u>The Chairman</u> asked whether the EPD would not consider setting up the CGS at other locations of the district.
- 66. Mr Samson LAI responded that the EPD had discussed the site selection issue with the LandsD for a long time and Hoi Fan Road was a more desirable site. The EPD was willing to conduct further study should Members have other suggestions for the site.
- 67. Mr CHAN Wai-keung further asked the EPD how it would provide subvention to the NPO for its operation of the CGS Project and the amount of subvention. He said that according to the consultation paper, the recyclable collection point could commence operation at the beginning of 2016 at the earliest. However, the EPD had yet to provide specific

details for the project, e.g. the selection criteria of the Government in choosing the operator. He worried that this would give outsiders an impression that the Government was involved in transfer of benefits.

(Mr Vincent LAU left the meeting at 5:30 p.m.)

- 68. <u>Mr Barry WONG</u> would like to know the amount of public money the Government would allocate to the NPO for operating the CGS Project each year. He also asked what the Government would do if the operator perform unsatisfactorily.
- 69. Mr Benjamin CHOI said that the site of the CGS must be accessible but could not be too close to residential buildings. As there was hardly any location in the YTM District that could fulfil the above requirements, it was not appropriate for the Administration to implement the project concerned in the district.

(Mr Benjamin CHOI and Mr KONG Pui-wai left the meeting at 5:32 p.m.)

- 70. <u>Ms WONG Shu-ming</u> requested the EPD to consult the YTMDC on the CGS Project after other CGSs were put into operation successfully in other districts.
- 71. Mr LAU Pak-kei opined that the residents in the vicinity of the proposed site would be up in arms over the CGS Project if it was to be implemented there. Furthermore, he was discontented that the EPD had suggested an infeasible site for the CBC's consideration.
- 72. Mr John WONG suggested that the EPD arrange container trucks to collect recyclables from large housing estates in the district at intervals and transport them to factories for processing within the day.
- 73. Mr Benny YEUNG opined that the proposed site was not suitable for development into a recyclable collection point. The proposed site should have better uses. He further stated that he would not declare support for this project now because the representatives of the EPD had failed to provide information on project scale and subsidy amount for the CBC's consideration.

74. <u>Mr Samson LAI</u> responded as follows:

- (a) The tendering procedures of the CGS Project were exactly the same as that of other government projects, and hence transfer of benefits would not occur. Since the subsidy amount would be determined in accordance with the financial proposal of the successful tenderer, they could not provide Members with the relevant information now.
- (b) In order to sustain the development of community environmental education and waste reduction, the Government had reserved sufficient resources for the CGS Project so that it could keep operating after the expiry of the three-year contract.
- (c) The EPD would brief residents on the prospect and planning of the CGS Project so as to promote it at district level. Meanwhile, the EPD would also collect residents' opinions.

- 75. <u>Mr LAU Pak-kei</u> requested the EPD to clarify whether it would identify another site in view of Members' objection, or it would insist that the project be implemented at Hoi Fan Road.
- 76. Mr Samson LAI responded that the residents in the vicinity of the site had misgivings towards the CGS Project because they lacked full understanding of it. In view of this, the EPD would step up publicity in the district to allay their doubts.
- 77. The Chairman further enquired whether the EPD would identify another site due to Members' objection to the CGS Project, or it would continue to implement the project at Hoi Fan Road.
- 78. Mr Samson LAI replied that since many members of the public had misunderstandings about the CGS Project, therefore the next step for the EPD would be to focus on the environmental education and publicity in the district.
- 79. Mr SIU Hong-ping considered that the representatives of the EPD did not directly answer Mr LAU Pak-kei's question. He asked the representatives of the EPD whether it implied that the department would disregard CBC's objection and bulldoze the project through.
- 80. Mr HUI Tak-leung stated that Members opposed the suggested site and were discontented with the absence of detailed information on the CGS Project. If the representatives of the EPD believed that residents had expressed opposition only because they had misunderstandings about the project, he doubted what the point was for the EPD to consult the CBC.
- 81. Mr Samson LAI responded that he knew the CBC and residents might have misgivings about the operator's practical experience in environmental work, the site for the CGS Project and the nuisance which might be caused. He considered that while some of the issues could be handled at DC level, some could only be solved by enhancing communication with local residents. Therefore, the EPD would continue its environmental education and publicity work in the district and was ready to provide the CBC with more information.
- 82. <u>Ms WONG Shu-ming</u> said that the YTMDC would not allow the EPD to bulldoze the CGS Project through.
- 83. <u>Mr Samson LAI</u> clarified that he only stressed that the EPD would step up environmental education and publicity in the district. He had no intention to bulldoze the project through.
- 84. <u>Mr John WONG</u> asked the representatives of the EPD what follow-up action would be taken if the YTMDC eventually turned down the CGS Project.
- 85. <u>The Chairman</u> concluded that the CBC did not support the CGS Project. Nevertheless, the EPD was welcomed to consult the YTMDC/CBC again regarding this project.

(Mr Benny YEUNG left the meeting at 5:47 p.m.)

Item 8: To Request the Administration to Study the Provision of More Public Swimming Pools in YTM District Soonest (YTMCBC Paper No. 36/2014)

- 86. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the written responses of the PlanD and the Leisure and Cultural Services Department ("LCSD") (Annexes 4 and 5) had been distributed to Members for perusal before the meeting. He then welcomed the following representatives:
 - (i) Ms Vicky WONG, Deputy District Leisure Manager (Yau Tsim Mong) 2 of the LCSD;
 - (ii) Ms Michelle YUEN, Senior Town Planner/Yau Tsim Mong (Acting), Tsuen Wan and West Kowloon District Planning Office of the PlanD; and
 - (iii) Mr Charlson CHIU, Assistant District Officer (Yau Tsim Mong).
 - 87. The Chairman supplemented the contents of the paper. He continued that the Director of Planning had said during his visit to the YTMDC on 26 June 2014 that there should be one Swimming Pool Complex per 287 000 population according to the Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines. Taking into account the current population of the YTM District, there should be a Swimming Pool Complex in place. The usage rate of the Kowloon Park Swimming Pool was extremely high, with its pools often packed to capacity during summer holiday. Therefore, he urged the LCSD and the PlanD to study the construction of additional public swimming pools in the district to meet the needs of the residents.

88. Ms Vicky WONG responded as follows:

- (a) There were eight swimming facilities in the Kowloon Park Swimming Pool, including one main pool, two training pools, one diving pool, three leisure pools and one toddlers' pool. During the summer swimming season, all its swimming facilities would open for use of the public. It could accommodate a maximum of 1,469 swimmers. During winter time, only the indoor heated swimming pool would open for use with a maximum capacity of 654 swimmers.
- (b) The facilities in the Tai Kok Tsui Swimming Pool included one training pool and one leisure pool, in which 250 swimmers could be accommodated at a time.
- (c) In the past two years, the Kowloon Park Swimming Pool and the Tai Kok Tsui Swimming Pool had reached their maximum capacity for attendance for nine times and one time respectively.
- (d) The LCSD noted the keen demand of the residents in YTM District for swimming pool facilities. The department had a preliminary plan of reserving space for the construction of indoor swimming pool in the proposed indoor recreation centre at Hoi Ting Road of the West Kowloon Reclamation Area. The LCSD was seeking policy support from the Home Affairs Bureau ("HAB") for this proposal. Once the conceptual design plan of the proposed project

was prepared, it would consult the views of the CBC again.

- 89. <u>The Chairman</u> would like to know the construction schedule of the proposed indoor swimming pool.
- 90. Ms Vicky WONG responded that if the construction of the above indoor swimming pool was supported by the HAB, the LCSD would work out the detailed design with the Architectural Services Department before consulting the views of the CBC. After finalising the design of the swimming pool, the LCSD would estimate the construction cost of the Complex and seek funding approval from the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council. She supplemented that the Hoi Ting Road site was currently used by the MTR Corporation Limited ("MTRCL") for the XRL Project and would be returned to the Government in 2017. As a result, the project of the proposed swimming pool could commence as early as 2017.
- 91. <u>Ms Michelle YUEN</u> responded that the PlanD noted the LCSD's plan to reserve space in the Hoi Ting Road Indoor Recreation Centre for indoor swimming pool facilities. From the planning point of view, the PlanD did not object to the proposal and would advise the LCSD after the layout plan of the indoor recreation centre was worked out.
- 92. Mr HUI Tak-leung said that it was the long-standing aspiration of many YTM residents to have additional swimming pools in their district. He added that Kowloon Park Swimming Pool ("KPSP") was often rented by non-local organisations, rending it difficult for local residents to use its facilities.
- 93. Mr CHAN Wai-keung welcomed the LCSD's plan to reserve space in the proposed Hoi Ting Road Indoor Recreation Centre for additional indoor swimming pools. He said that according to some reports, many Hong Kong visitors liked to go swimming in KPSP, leaving the facilities overwhelmed and more prone to accidents. In this connection, he enquired about how much water surface area each swimmer could occupy in a public swimming pool.
- 94. Mr CHUNG Kong-mo was pleased to hear the plan of the LCSD to build additional indoor swimming pools in the proposed Hoi Ting Road Indoor Recreation Centre. He recalled that he and Mr CHAN Wai-keung had been fighting for years for providing swimming pools at Hoi Wang Road. He hoped the HAB would support the proposal so that the project could commence as early as possible. He also pointed out that the Hoi Ting Road site would be returned to the Government in 2015 as indicated by the MTRCL, but the representative of the LCSD had just said that it would be returned to the Government in 2017. He urged the Government to ask the MTRCL to clarify the date of returning the site.
- 95. Mr SIU Hong-ping would like to know the scale of the proposed indoor swimming pools. He took the view that if the swimming pools were of smaller scale, they might not meet the huge demand in the district.
- 96. Mr John WONG was pleased to know that the LCSD planned to construct additional swimming pools in YTM District. He hoped the government would expedite the project and consult the views of residents on the design of the swimming pools.
- 97. Mr WONG Man-sing enquired whether the LCSD had laid down the requirement for the water surface area a swimmer could occupy in a swimming pool, and whether it had

required swimmers to swim in designated lanes. He also said that some swimming coaches would occupy two lanes when they conducted classes at public swimming pools. However, the lifeguards had turned a blind eye to this.

98. <u>The Chairman</u> noted that the LCSD was seeking policy support from the HAB for the proposed indoor swimming pools. He hoped the facilities could complete as soon as possible so as to cater for the needs of the residents.

99. <u>Ms Vicky WONG</u> responded as follows:

- (a) The water surface area per swimmer was 1.5 m²; for paddling pools in irregular shape, the water surface area per swimmer was 3 m².
- (b) The proposed indoor swimming pools included a 25 m x 25 m main pool with a water depth of 1.4m and two 25m x 10m training pools with water depths of 0.7m to 0.9m and 0.9m to 1.2m respectively. The pools could accommodate a maximum of 750 swimmers at one time.
- (c) As the proposed indoor swimming pools were not designated for competitions, there would be no spectator stand.
- (d) The LCSD would consult the CBC upon the completion of the proposed layout plan for the indoor recreation centre.
- 100. <u>The Chairman</u> thanked the representatives of the departments concerned for joining the discussion on this item.

Item 9: Enhancement of Greening for a Green Community (YTMCBC Paper No. 37/2014)

- ---- 101. <u>The Chairman</u> said that the written response of the LCSD (Annex 6) had been distributed to Members for perusal before the meeting. He then welcomed Ms Vicky WONG, Deputy District Leisure Manager (Yau Tsim Mong) 2 of the LCSD to the meeting.
 - 102. <u>Mr John WONG</u> supplemented the contents of the paper. He found on a district visit that many green zones under flyovers and parks managed by the LCSD were barren. He suggested that the LCSD inspect the green areas in the district regularly and arrange for replanting as soon as possible.
 - 103. <u>Ms Vicky WONG</u> responded that the Water Supplies Department ("WSD") was currently carrying out water mains works under the flyover near Ka Shin Street and on a section of Tai Kok Tsui Road near Fuk Tsun Street and Maple Street in Tai Kok Tsui. The works were expected to be completed on 31 August and 31 December 2014 respectively. Upon completion, the WSD would carry out replanting in situ and the LCSD would be responsible for the maintenance of the replanted vegetation.
 - 104. Mr John WONG remarked that the works seemed to have been completed. He urged the LCSD and the WSD to liaise with each other as early as possible. If the works had indeed been completed, he hoped that the WSD would carry out replanting in situ expeditiously.

- 105. Mr LAU Pak-kei indicated that given the numerous water mains works under the flyover at Tai Kok Tsui Road, he hoped that the LCSD would liaise with the WSD more frequently and requested the WSD to implement greening measures at the site upon the completion of the works. He was also concerned about the uneven distribution of green areas under the flyovers in Tai Kok Tsui District.
- 106. <u>The Chairman</u> thanked the representative of the LCSD for joining the discussion on this item.

Item 10: Annual Plan of Kowloon West Cluster and Kwong Wah Hospital 2014/15 (YTMCBC Paper No. 34/2014)

- 107. The Chairman welcomed Dr Nelson WAT, Hospital Chief Executive, Ms Angela LI, General Manager (Administrative Services) and Ms Winnie KAN, Senior Hospital Manager, of the Kwong Wah Hospital ("KWH") & Tung Wah Group of Hospitals Wong Tai Sin Hospital ("WTSH") of the Hospital Authority ("HA") to the meeting.
- 108. <u>Dr Nelson WAT</u> gave a PowerPoint presentation to briefly introduce the contents of the paper.

(Mr HUI Tak-leung left the meeting at 6:10 p.m.)

109. Mr Chris IP declared his membership in the Hospital Governing Committee of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital ("QEH"). In view of the redevelopment of the KWH in the next few years and the reprovisioning project to be carried out at the QEH, he enquired whether the connection between the two hospitals would therefore be strengthened. He hoped that the HA would assure the public that the quality of medical services in the district would not be affected by the KWH redevelopment project.

(Mr Barry WONG left the meeting at 6:15 p.m.)

- 110. <u>Dr Nelson WAT</u> responded that the KWH redevelopment project was due for implementation, while the reprovisioning project at the QEH was still at the planning stage. To avoid affecting the quality of medical services in the district, it was necessary to co-ordinate and implement steadily the redevelopment/reprovisioning projects involving the two hospitals. He pointed out that there was a pressing need to redevelop the KWH and the HA anticipated that upon the completion of the first phase of the redevelopment project, the KWH's acute services would be strengthened to cater for the needs of YTM community.
- 111. Mr Chris IP reckoned that in order to allay public concerns about the redevelopment/reprovisioning projects involving the KWH and the QEH, the HA should explain to the public that the projects would be carried out by phases, and the acute services of the KWH would be strengthened after redevelopment to meet the demand of the residents in the district.
- 112. <u>The Vice-chairman</u> held that there was a genuine need to implement the reprovisioning project at the QEH and agreed that it was crucial to carry out the redevelopment/reprovisioning projects involving the KWH and the QEH in a progressive manner. Early commencement of the KWH project was necessary to avoid its overlapping

with the reprovisioning project of the QEH. He also hoped that the HA would provide the public with definite implementation schedules for the redevelopment/reprovisioning projects and the construction of a hospital at the Kai Tak Development Area ("KTDA").

- 113. <u>Dr Nelson WAT</u> responded that as the reprovisioning project at the QEH and the construction of a hospital at the KTDA had not yet been implemented, the HA could not provide the CBC or the public with definite schedules for the time being. However, the HA would strengthen its communication with the YTMDC and its Committees regarding the redevelopment/reprovisioning projects to keep Councillors and Members informed of the latest information.
- 114. <u>The Chairman</u> thanked the representatives of the HA for joining the discussion on this item.

Item 11: Any Other Business Follow up on the Development of a Community Green Station

- 115. Mr LAU Pak-kei requested writing to the Director of Environmental Protection ("DEP") in the name of the CBC to state Members' objections to implementation of the CGS Project at Hoi Fan Road and their discontent with the insufficient consultation conducted by the EPD on the project. He stressed that the EPD must not proceed with the project without the consent of the YTMDC.
- 116. <u>Ms WONG Shu-ming</u> shared the view of Mr LAU Pak-kei and alleged that the representatives of the EPD had been disrespectful to the YTMDC.
- 117. <u>The Vice-chairman</u> agreed to write to the DEP to express the said views and state that the EPD had not provided the CBC with concrete information about the proposed site and how it had been chosen.
- 118. Mr CHOW Chun-fai agreed to write to the DEP to state Members' objections to the proposed site. Nevertheless, as the representatives of the EPD said that the two schools near the proposed site had been consulted and no objection was received, he took the view that there was no need to complain about insufficient consultation in the letter.
- 119. <u>The Chairman</u> enquired whether Members agreed to write to the DEP to express their views on the CGS Project. There was no objection.

(<u>Post-meeting note</u>: The CBC had written to the DEP to state Members' objections to the CGS Project (Annex 7) on 11 September 2014.)

120. There being no other business, <u>the Chairman</u> closed the meeting at 6:30 p.m. The next meeting would be held at 2:30 p.m. on 16 October 2014 (Thursday).

Yau Tsim Mong District Council Secretariat September 2014

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Dear Ms Wong,

Community Building Committee of the Yau Tsim Mong District Council

I refer to your letter dated 7 July 2014. Please find our written response in Chinese at Annex. The English translation will follow in due course.

As we are unable to attend the Community Building Committee meeting on 24 July 2014, the following officer from the Hong Kong Police Force will attend the Community Building Committee meeting on our behalf:

余偉傑先生 旺角警區 總督察 (行政) Mr YU Wai-kit, Chief Inspector (Admin) (Mong Kok District)

Yours sincerely,

(Ms Kathleen Fung) for Secretary for Security

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當局一直密切注意大角咀區的社區發展需要,亦並充分理解大角 咀區居民就興建大角咀警署的意見。當局已就興建大角咀警署的 建議作出跟進,並已於 2014 年年初聘請顧問進行相關前期勘測及 設計工作。

就政府建造工程而言,當局有一個行之已久的既定機制,規管及監察工程項目從立項到招標,以至完成的每一個程序。大角唱警署工程如其他政府建造工程一樣,需要在工程立項後申請撥款工程的設計,當局也需仔細評估工程的預算及造價。在每一個階段一個階段上立接項目建議,從而作出審批及編排工程的先後次序,把看程的進展工作全面完成後,當局會根據已定的先後次序,把工程項目提上立法會工務小組委員會及財委會申請撥款,當局未能有工程的提供具體的時間表。

事實上,警務處一直留意旺角警區包括大角咀區的治安情況和警務需要,並根據社區發展、人口增長及社區關注等,適時調配人手安排及資源,以應對區內的行動需要。就大角咀區而言,為配合當區的發展,警務處自 2000 年起,已適時增加旺角警區人手總制,並在大角咀區分階段增加約 120 名前線警務人員,除一般經歷人,亦有便衣警員、領犬員及警犬、電單車和巡邏車等等另一方面,除了派駐旺角警區的資源外,西九龍總區衝鋒車及機動部隊亦一直因應大角咀區的情況提供支援,以應對突發事故及作出針對性的反罪惡巡邏。

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要求盡快落實於大角咀興建分區警署

油尖旺區議會社區建設委員會("社建會")曾於 2014 年 5 月 8 日、6 月 12 日及 7 月 24 日會議上討論標題議項,並多番就此邀請保安 局派代表出席會議,惟貴局均未有應邀派員赴會,令委員深感失望。

近年大角咀區多個大型屋苑相繼落成,區內人口激增,為紓緩 旺角警區前線人員的工作壓力,並照顧大角咀區居民所需,委員認為 有急切需要在大角咀區興建分區警署,然而,大角咀警署工程計劃雖 已展開前期勘測和設計工作,貴局直至現階段仍未向社建會提供具體 的工程時間表,委員急欲知悉有關資料,以便向當區居民匯報工程的 最新進展。

有見及此,委員在7月24日會議上通過致函保安局,促請貴局從速落實在大角咀區興建分區警署,並定期向委員會匯報工程的最新進展。謹此轉達委員的意見,盼能確切回應委員的訴求。

有關社建會第十六次會議的內容,請登入油尖旺區議會網頁(http://www.districtcouncils.gov.hk/ytm/tc/2012_2015/committee_meetings.html),收聽會議錄音,會議記錄(擬稿)容後寄上。

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Yau Tsim Mong District Council 4/F, Mong Kok Government Offices, 30 Luen Wan Street Kowloon (Attn.: Secretary, CBC of YTMDC)

Dear Sirs/Madams,

Invitation to Attend the Meeting of the Community Building Committee (CBC) of the Yau Tsim Mong District Council (YTMDC)

I refer to your above-referenced letter regarding the captioned.

Please note that our representative Mr HON Chun Sing, AME/Str(KC), will attend the coming CBC meeting.

Please also find enclosed our written response to the Paper no. 26/2014:

本署已檢視區內轄下46條行人天橋及隧道的梯級,並安排在七月份內修補破損的黃 色提示線,包括政油街行人隧道及旺角道行人天橋等。此外,本署亦會考慮個別情況, 在區內行人天橋或隧道梯級加上黃色提示線,預計工程於本年八月至九月期間相繼完 成。

Please also find enclosed our written response to the Paper no. 29/2014:

本署已派員巡察KF82及於行人天橋橋面及斜道進行防滑測試,並籌劃於橋面及斜 道鋪設防滑物料・預計工程可於本年十月底前完成。」

另外,本署已於二零一四年七月十一日以電話聯絡關秀玲議員,說明上述事宜及工 程安排。

Yours faithfully,

for Chief Highway Engineer/Kowloon Highways Department

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議項八

書面回應(2)

油尖旺區議會轄下社區建設委員會 第 36/2014 號文件

2012至2015年度油尖旺區議會社區建設委員會

規劃署

就「要求當局儘速研究在油尖旺區內增建公共游泳池」 作出的書面回應

就委員提出要求儘速研究在油尖旺區內增建公共游泳池的 建議,本署回覆如下:

根據《香港規劃標準與準則》所訂下的指引,每287,000人 應該設立一個游泳池場館。按現時油尖旺區的人口及規劃人口,區 內應設立一個游泳池場館。

現時區內所提供的九龍公園游泳池及大角咀游泳池,已符合《香港規劃標準與準則》的要求。至於游泳池的使用率和承載能力,相信康樂及文化事務署(下稱「康文署」)已提供有關資料。

從康文署回覆得知,該署初步構思在位於西九龍填海區海 庭道的室內康樂中心的預留用地,興建綜合大樓時會考慮包括室內 游泳池的設施。

在規劃角度,有關用地位於西南九龍分區計劃大綱草圖編號S/K20/29的「政府、機構或社區」地帶,公眾游泳池(康體文娛場所用途)在該大綱圖屬經常准許的用途。

規劃署 荃灣及西九龍規劃處 2014年7月

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<u>議項八</u> 書面回應(1)

油尖旺區議會轄下社區建設委員會 第 36/2014 號文件

2012至 2015年度油尖旺區議會 社區建設委員會

<u>康樂及文化事務署</u> 就「要求當局儘速研究在油尖旺區內增建公共游泳池」 所作的書面回應

就委員提出要求儘速研究在油尖旺區內增建公共游泳池的 建議,本署回覆如下:

本署在地區策劃興建各項康體設施時,除了會參照《香港規劃標準與準則》所載的指引外,也會同時考慮其他因素,例如體育發展的政策目標、現有設施的使用率、調查研究所顯示公眾對不同體育運動的喜好、有關區議會的意見、與及可供使用的資源等因素。

按《香港規劃標準與準則》(下稱「規劃標準」)所訂下的指引,每287 000人應該設立一個游泳池場館,現時,油尖旺區約有320 100人,按「規劃標準」,區內應設立一個游泳池場館。

現時,九龍公園游泳池的設施包括一個主池、兩個訓練池、一個跳水池、三個嬉水池及一個戲水池,共八個泳池設施。在夏日泳季期間,上述所有游泳設施均會開放予市民使用,可同時容納最多 1 469 名泳客;而在冬季期間則只開放室內暖水游泳設施,可同時容納最多 654 名泳客。大角咀游泳池的設施包括一個訓練池及一個嬉水池,可同時容納最多 250 名泳客。正如康文署的其他公眾游泳池,上述游泳池是每天分三個時段開放。

過去兩年,九龍公園游泳池和大角咀游泳池分別曾有9次及 1次的滿額紀錄,其中2次是全民運動日,市民可以免費進入泳池使 用有關設施。

本署已備悉區內市民對游泳設施的需要,初步構思在位於 西九龍填海區海庭道的室內康樂中心預留用地,興建綜合大樓時包 括室內游泳池的設施。本署現正尋求民政事務局的政策支持,待有 關擬議工程的設施及設計概念圖擬備後,本署會諮詢社建會的意 見。

康樂及文化事務署 油尖旺區康樂事務辦事處 2014年7月

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議項九

<u>書面回應</u>

油尖旺區議會轄下社區建設委員會 第 37/2014 號文件

2012至 2015年度油尖旺區議會 社區建設委員會

康樂及文化事務署 就「要求加強地區綠化」建設綠色社區」 所作的書面回應

就委員提出要求加強地區綠化及建設綠色社區的建議,本 署回覆如下:

本署一向十分重視區內綠化及園藝保養的工作。有關大角 咀道近嘉善街一帶天橋下的花床(即提呈文件的附圖位置),本署自 2012年初已移交水務署作水務工程。根據紀錄,水務工程預計至 2014年8月31日完成。此外,大角咀道近福全街及楓樹街的水務工 程則預計至2014年12月31日才完成。待有關水務工程完成後,水務 署會在該處補種植物再交由本署作園藝保養工作。另外,本署職員 早前亦曾到大角咀道整段中線部份位置巡察,有關植物的生長狀況 大致理想;雖然如此,本署亦會加強有關位置的植物保養工作。

本署除了負責大角咀道中線植物保養工作外,亦會在本署 轄下的場地內選擇適合的位置廣種樹木及植物,以美化區內的環 境。

康樂及文化事務署 油尖旺區康樂事務辦事處 2014年7月

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油尖旺區議會

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「綠在油尖旺」計劃

貴署剛在 7 月 24 日派代表出席油尖旺區議會社區建設委員會 ("社建會")會議,向委員簡介「綠在油尖旺」計劃,並徵詢委員對在大角咀海帆道推展該計劃的意見。

由於貴署人員未能在會上提供「綠在油尖旺」計劃的詳細資料,例如海帆道是否區內唯一的選址、計劃年期、各類回收物的存放日數和回收程序等,委員在具體資料欠奉的情況下,難以貿然支持在海帆道推行有關計劃。當天會上,委員認為貴署有責任向社建會提供計劃的詳細資料才徵詢區議會的意見。謹此轉達委員的意見,以備知悉。

有關社建會第十六次會議的內容,請登入油尖旺區議會網頁(http://www.districtcouncils.gov.hk/ytm/tc/2012_2015/committee_meetings.html),收聽會議錄音,會議記錄(擬稿)容後寄上。

油尖旺區議會 社區建設委員會主席

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2014年9月11日