

**Minutes of the 18th Meeting of the
Food and Environmental Hygiene Committee of the
Yau Tsim Mong District Council (2012-2015)**

Date : 22 January 2015 (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 YEUNG Tsz-hei, Benny, MH

Vice-chairman

Mr CHAN Wai-keung

District Councillors

Mr CHUNG Kong-mo, JP	Mr IP Ngo-tung, Chris
Ms KO Po-ling, BBS, MH, JP	Ms KWAN Sau-ling
Mr CHAN Siu-tong, MH	Mr LAM Kin-man
Mr CHOI Siu-fung, Benjamin	Mr LAU Pak-kei
Mr CHONG Wing-charn, Francis	The Honourable TO Kun-sun, James
Mr CHOW Chun-fai, BBS, JP	Mr WONG Chung, John
Mr HAU Wing-cheong, BBS, MH	Mr WONG Kin-san
Mr HUI Tak-leung	Ms WONG Shu-ming
Mr HUNG Chiu-wah, Derek	

Co-opted Members

Mr CHOI Vai-hung	Ms LAM Wai-lung	Ms CHENG So-ngor
Mr LEUNG Yiu-wah	Mr CHAN Chung-cheung	Mr SHUM Chu-wah

Representatives of the Government

Mr LI Ka-kei	District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Mong Kok)	Food and Environmental Hygiene Department
Mr WONG Kam-wah	District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Yau Tsim)	Food and Environmental Hygiene Department
Mr LUK Kwok-po	Chief Estate Officer/Kowloon	Lands Department
Mr LAI Ka-yin	Deputy District Leisure Manager (Yau Tsim Mong)	Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Mr NG Ping-sum	Senior Environmental Protection Officer (Regional East) 6	Environmental Protection Department
Mr KO Chun	Task Force Sub-Unit Commander (Mong Kok District)	Hong Kong Police Force
Mr MAK Ching-yu	Station Sergeant (Mong Kok District)	Hong Kong Police Force

Mr SO Ming-tak, Stephen	Station Sergeant (Mong Kok District)	Hong Kong Police Force
Mr TSANG Man-shing	Sergeant (Mong Kok District)	Hong Kong Police Force
Mr WONG Kai-wing	Sergeant, Police Community Relations Office (Yau Tsim)	Hong Kong Police Force
Mr MAK Ling-fung	Patrol Sub-Unit 4 Commander (Tsim Sha Tsui Division)	Hong Kong Police Force
Mr SO Tsz-yeung	Sub-Unit Commander (Operations Support) (Tsim Sha Tsui Division)	Hong Kong Police Force
Ms LEE Ka-mei, Patty	Senior Executive Officer (District Management), Yau Tsim Mong District Office	Home Affairs Department

In Attendance:

Ms LO Yuet-ye, Rhonda	Coordinator (Hawker Assistance Scheme)	Food and Environmental Hygiene Department
Mr LAU Chi-keung	Chief Health Inspector (Hawker Assistance Scheme)	Food and Environmental Hygiene Department
Ms FUNG Man-ki	Engineer/Planning West 2	Transport Department
Mr YU Tik-fung	Chief Technical Officer/Mong Kok	Highways Department

Secretary

Miss FUNG Hoi-ha, Martha	Executive Officer (District Council) 3, Yau Tsim Mong District Office	Home Affairs Department
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Absent:

Mr JO Chun-wah	Co-opted Member
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Opening Remarks

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting and introduced Mr KO Chun, Task Force Sub-Unit Commander (Mong Kok District), Mr MAK Ching-yu, Station Sergeant (Mong Kok District), Mr Stephen SO, Station Sergeant (Mong Kok District), and Mr TSANG Man-shing, Sergeant (Mong Kok District) of the Hong Kong Police Force (“HKPF”). He reported that Ms WONG Ping-ping, Police Community Relations Officer (Yau Tsim) of the HKPF was absent due to other commitments, and Mr WONG Kai-wing, Neighbourhood Police Coordinator of the Police Community Relations Office (Yau Tsim), Mr MAK Ling-fung, Patrol Sub-Unit 4 Commander (Tsim Sha Tsui Division) and Mr SO Tsz-yeung, Sub-Unit Commander (Operations Support) (Tsim Sha Tsui Division) stood in for her at the meeting. In addition, as Mr TSUI Siu-fai had been absent from the Food and Environmental Hygiene Committee (“FEHC”) meetings three times in a row, his name would be struck off the Co-opted Membership List of the FEHC for the year.

2. The Chairman continued that on 21 January 2015, the Secretariat had received an email from Ms WONG Shu-ming revoking the discussion paper “To Request the Food and

Environmental Hygiene Department (“FEHD”) to Tackle Hawking under Footbridge Across Tong Mi Road and Argyle Street Proactively”. The revised agenda had been tabled for reference.

Item 1: Confirmation of Minutes of 17th FEHC Meeting

3. Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed as the Secretariat had not received any proposal of amendment since the distribution of the draft minutes of the 17th meeting.

**Item 2: To Request FEHD to Address Hygiene Problems at Junction of Ferry Street and Nelson Street
(YTMFEHC Paper No. 1/2015)**

4. The Chairman said that the written response of the FEHD (Annex 1) had been sent to Members for perusal before the meeting. He then welcomed the following representatives to the meeting:

- (a) Mr LI Ka-kei, District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Mong Kok) of the FEHD;
- (b) Mr LUK Kwok-po, Chief Estate Officer/Kowloon of the Lands Department; and
- (c) Ms Patty LEE, Senior Executive Officer (District Management) of the Yau Tsim Mong District Office (“YTMDO”).

5. Mr HUI Tak-leung briefly introduced the contents of the paper.

(Mr Benjamin CHOI and Mr WONG Kin-san joined the meeting at 2:45 p.m.)

6. Mr LI Ka-kei said that the FEHD had all along been concerned with the hygiene conditions at the junction of Ferry Street and Nelson Street, and would continue its night-time cleaning and pest control work to improve the environmental hygiene of the site. Moreover, the FEHD had stepped up its blitz enforcement actions at the said location to combat the problem of street obstruction by miscellaneous articles placed on the pavements by shops and hawker stalls.

7. Mr HAU Wing-cheong thanked the FEHD for its efforts in improving the hygiene conditions at the junction of Ferry Street and Nelson Street. He further pointed out that the serious problem of illegal parking in the Ferry Street area had caused frequent traffic congestion, and asked the Police to take rigorous enforcement actions.

8. Mr HUI Tak-leung shared the view of Mr HAU Wing-cheong, and urged the HKPF to step up prosecutions against illegal parking in the Ferry Street area.

9. The Chairman thanked the representatives of the relevant government departments for joining the discussion of this item.

Item 3: Concern over Accumulation of Waste on Pavement Outside 128 Tung Choi Street
(YTMFEHC Paper No. 2/2015)

10. The Chairman said that the written responses of the FEHD and the Environmental Protection Department (“EPD”) (Annexes 2 and 3) had been sent to Members for perusal before the meeting. He then welcomed the following representatives to the meeting:

- (a) Mr LI Ka-kei, District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Mong Kok) of the FEHD; and
- (b) Mr NG Ping-sum, Senior Environmental Protection Officer (Regional East) 6 of the EPD.

11. Mr WONG Kin-san briefly introduced the contents of the paper.

12. Mr HAU Wing-cheong pointed out that accumulation of waste on the pavement near 128 Tung Choi Street was so serious that it had caused environmental hygiene problems and obstruction.

13. The Chairman opined that this might be resulted from rubbish disposed on the pavement by residents nearby.

14. Mr LI Ka-kei said that the FEHD was mainly responsible for removing domestic waste from the streets, and had no additional resources to deal with construction waste. If construction waste was found on the street, the frontline staff of the department would inform the Highways Department (“HyD”) to follow up. He continued that the FEHD would conduct surprise checks to prosecute against rubbish disposal at public places. The FEHD had also put up notices near 128 Tung Choi Street to remind members of the public that they would be liable to prosecution if they dumped refuse on the street.

15. Mr NG Ping-sum said that currently the EPD would prosecute offenders of illegal dumping of construction waste on the streets under the Waste Disposal Ordinance. In connection with the problem of waste accumulation, inspections of pavements in the area around 128 Tung Choi Street were conducted repeatedly and blitz enforcement actions at different times were taken, so as to achieve a deterrent effect. He supplemented that if construction waste was found on the street, the EPD staff would inform the HyD to clean up the site.

16. Mr HAU Wing-cheong said that he had received complaints about dumping of construction waste on the pavement near 128 Tung Choi Street at night.

17. Ms WONG Shu-ming pointed out that the pavement near 128 Tung Choi Street was a black spot of construction waste disposal in the district with poor hygiene conditions. She suspected that the EPD had not traced actively the source of construction waste there, and considered that measures should be taken to identify the source, for example based on the packaging information of waste disposed (e.g. name of works contractor).

18. Mr WONG Kin-san enquired of the EPD about the prosecution actions against the 17 cases of rubbish or construction waste disposal stated in its written response. He opined that the EPD should enhance publicity and remind the public of the penalty for committing an offence under the relevant ordinance, so as to achieve a deterrent effect. He hoped that the relevant departments could work closely together to step up their efforts to combat illegal dumping of construction waste in the district. Moreover, he would like to know if the FEHD had taken any enforcement action against accumulation of waste on the pavement near 128 Tung Choi Street.

19. Mr NG Ping-sum responded that prosecution could only be instituted under the law by the EPD staff when dumping of construction waste was found on the spot. However, after construction waste was found disposed on the street, the EPD staff would investigate if there were renovation works in progress at the buildings nearby, but in most cases, no one would admit the illegal dumping of construction waste. Therefore, a lack of evidence had made prosecution difficult. He reiterated that the EPD had stepped up inspections of black spots of construction waste disposal in the district, and taken blitz enforcement actions. As for the 17 cases of rubbish or construction waste disposal stated in the written response, most had been immediately issued fixed penalty tickets or submitted to the court for decision.

20. Mr LI Ka-kei responded that the FEHD had arranged plain-clothes staff to conduct inspections regularly in the area around 128 Tung Choi Street to monitor the situation of construction waste disposal.

21. The Chairman thanked the representatives of the relevant government departments for joining the discussion of this item.

(Mr Francis CHONG joined the meeting at 3 p.m.)

Item 4: FEHD's Progress Report on "Assistance Scheme for Hawkers in Fixed Pitch Hawker Areas"
(YTMFEHC Paper No. 3/2015)

22. The Chairman welcomed Ms Rhonda LO, Coordinator (Hawker Assistance Scheme), and Mr LAU Chi-keung, Chief Health Inspector (Hawker Assistance Scheme) of the FEHD to the meeting.

(The Hon James TO joined the meeting at 3:08 p.m.)

23. Ms Rhonda LO gave her presentation by PowerPoint to briefly introduce the progress of the Assistance Scheme for Hawkers in Fixed Pitch Hawker Areas ("Assistance Scheme"), including the relocation cum reconstruction arrangements of stalls in the 13 fixed-pitch hawker areas in the district. She thanked Chairman of the Yau Tsim Mong District Council ("YTMDC"), Chairman of the FEHC and eight DC Members of the constituency concerned for supporting the scheme. She also thanked District Officer (Yau Tsim Mong) and the YTMDO staff for coordinating proactively with the FEHD and stall operators on the stall relocation arrangements to facilitate implementation of the scheme.

(Mr SHUM Chu-wah joined the meeting at 3:11 p.m.)

24. Mr CHAN Siu-tong appreciated the FEHD for providing proper assistance to stall operators in the relocation or reconstruction of their stalls under the Assistance Scheme.

25. Mr LAM Kin-man praised the FEHD for its flexibility in handling the relocation arrangements of hawker stalls. He said that over 70% of the licensed hawkers in the Yau Tsim Mong (“YTM”) District had not applied for grants under the scheme. He hoped that promotion of the Assistance Scheme would be stepped up to benefit more stall operators.

26. Mr CHOI Vai-hung enquired what would be done to the stalls released after voluntary surrender of hawker licences and other vacant pitches in the district.

27. Ms CHENG So-ngor thanked the FEHD, the Fire Services Department (“FSD”) and other relevant departments for launching the five-year Assistance Scheme after the two serious fires at Fa Yuen Street in Mong Kok, to assist hawkers proactively in the relocation, reconstruction and face-lift of their stalls, and improve the operating environment of the hawker areas.

28. Ms KO Po-ling said that active promotion of the Assistance Scheme after the two serious fires at Fa Yuen Street could improve the fire safety and operating environment of the hawker areas significantly. She was satisfied with the progress of the Assistance Scheme, and praised the FEHD for communicating adequately with stall operators and securing the support of the trade to the scheme. She hoped that the experience in implementing the scheme would be consolidated properly to continuously improve the mode of management and operation of the hawker areas in the future.

29. Mr CHUNG Kong-mo said that under the Assistance Scheme, assistance should be provided to around 2 000 licensed hawkers in the district for the relocation or in-situ reconstruction of their stalls. He was glad to hear that the FEHD was actively assisting some stall operators in the district in stall relocation, and he noticed in his earlier inspection of the hawker areas in the YTM District with the FEHD staff that some stalls had been reconstructed and looked completely new. He opined that the FEHD had achieved results in the implementation of the Assistance Scheme, and hoped that the Administration would continue to encourage more stall operators to participate in the scheme.

30. Mr HAU Wing-cheong praised the FEHD for communicating actively with local stall operators and stakeholders, and listening carefully to the views of the trade in the implementation of the Assistance Scheme. He was glad to see the voluntary surrender of hawker licences by many stall operators, which helped release space in the hawker areas for relocating stalls with higher fire risks. He considered that by assisting stall operators in the reconstruction and face-lift of stalls, the FEHD could improve the operating environment of the hawker areas significantly.

31. Mr CHOW Chun-fai said that the Assistance Scheme could reduce fire risks in the hawker areas, but 1 471 licensed hawkers in the district had not applied for grants yet. He hoped that the Administration would listen carefully to the views of the trade and step up its promotion of the Assistance Scheme in different ways to benefit more stall operators.

32. Ms Rhonda LO responded as follows:

- (i) The FEHD had launched the five-year Assistance Scheme since June 2013 to

provide financial assistance to licensed hawkers for expediting stall relocation or reconstruction to reduce fire risks in the hawker areas.

- (ii) In the YTM District, there were a total of 134 hawker stalls next to staircase discharge points of buildings or possibly obstructing emergency vehicular access. The FEHD had reached consensus with the licensed hawkers on relocating such stalls, and was assisting them in the relocation.
- (iii) 1 471 licensed hawkers in the district had not participated in the Assistance Scheme yet. Applications to the FEHD for ex-gratia payments (“EGP”) upon surrender of licences or stall reconstruction/relocation grants could be made in the five-year implementation period of the scheme.
- (iv) The FEHD had established the Steering Committee on Hawker Management to conduct regular meetings and maintain close communication with the trade. The FEHD would encourage stall operators to apply for EGP upon surrender of licences or stall reconstruction/relocation grants at the meetings of this committee.
- (v) Currently, there were not many vacant pitches in the hawker areas in the district. The FEHD would continue to monitor the progress of the Assistance Scheme to consider how to deal with the vacant pitches effectively.

(Mr LAM Kin-man left the meeting at 3:30 p.m.)

33. Mr HUI Tak-leung supported the implementation of the Assistance Scheme by the FEHD. He pointed out that some hawkers of stalls located in front of staircase discharge points reflected their difficulties in identifying appropriate vacant stalls for relocation in the hawker areas in the district. He suggested that the FEHD should first persuade the stall operators who had not applied for grants to surrender their hawker licences as soon as possible to release more space in the hawker areas in the district, so that the stall hawkers subject to relocation for fire safety reason could identify appropriate new stalls for business as the earliest possible time. He also suggested that the FEHD invite stall operators who had obtained relocation grants to share their experiences to promote the scheme.

34. Mr WONG Kin-san was glad to see that the FEHD, stall operators in the district and CLP Power Hong Kong Limited had worked together for the smooth implementation of the Assistance Scheme. He would like to know the specific proposals to encourage early applications for EGP upon surrender of licences or stall reconstruction/relocation grants by stall operators.

35. The Chairman indicated that the FEHD had implemented the Assistance Scheme after due consideration of the views of the trade, and hence gained support from most stall operators.

36. Ms Rhonda LO responded as follows:

- (i) The principal objective of the Assistance Scheme was to reduce fire risks in the hawker areas. Priority would be accorded to the relocation of stalls in front of staircase discharge points based on the comments of the FSD.

- (ii) The FEHD would maintain close communication with the trade, encourage stall operators to participate in the Assistance Scheme, and invite stall operators who had obtained stall relocation grants under the scheme to share their experiences.
- (iii) She thanked Councillors for supporting the Assistance Scheme. Promotion of the Assistance Scheme would be stepped up continuously to benefit more stall operators.

37. The Hon James TO opined that the Administration should actively consider the suggestions of Mr HUI Tak-leung.

38. The Chairman thanked the representatives of the FEHD for joining the discussion of this item.

(Post-meeting note: The Secretariat had sent the FEHD's PowerPoint presentation information on this item (Annex 4) to Members for perusal on 26 January 2015.)

Item 5: Concern over Pavement Obstruction and Disturbance to the Public in the Vicinity of Canton Road and Star Ferry Pier, Tsim Sha Tsui (YTMFEHC Paper No. 4/2015)

39. The Chairman said that the written response of the FEHD (Annex 5) had been sent to Members for perusal before the meeting. He then welcomed the following representatives to the meeting:

- (a) Mr WONG Kam-wah, District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Yau Tsim) of the FEHD; and
- (b) Mr WONG Kai-wing of the Police Community Relations Office (Yau Tsim), Mr MAK Ling-fung, Patrol Sub-Unit 4 Commander (Tsim Sha Tsui Division) and Mr SO Tsz-yeung, Sub-Unit Commander (Operations Support) (Tsim Sha Tsui Division) of the HKPF.

40. Mr Derek HUNG briefly introduced the contents of the paper.

41. Mr HUI Tak-leung said that many public complaints about street obstruction, particularly obstruction and nuisance caused by people distributing leaflets on casino cruise in the vicinity of Tsim Sha Tsui China Ferry Terminal, had been received. He urged the Police to proactively combat such acts.

42. Mr CHAN Siu-tong pointed out that there were often people promoting casino cruise service to passers-by on the streets, including persuading passers-by to buy casino chips. They might be triad-related. He hoped that the Police would step up enforcement actions in this area.

43. Ms WONG Shu-ming said that she had seen many instances of people touting casino cruise tickets or casino chips to passers-by on the streets. Those touters had followed closely and walked backwards along with their targets, completely ignoring everyone else, and bumped into other passers-by as a result. She considered these selling activities to be potentially dangerous to passers-by, and urged the relevant departments to address the situation.

44. Mr HAU Wing-cheong reflected that there were often many people promoting casino cruise service to passers-by outside Star House in Tsim Sha Tsui, causing serious obstruction. He urged the Police to pay attention to this situation.

45. Mr SO Tsz-yeung said that currently, regular enforcement actions against street touting in the district were conducted once or twice a month. In the past two years, a total of four relevant complaints had been received by the Police, and 28 summonses had been issued under section 6A of the Summary Offences Ordinance. He continued that joint operation would be conducted by Yau Tsim Police District and Anti-Triad Squad to combat triad activities in the district. In general, the Police would not intervene into street management issues, unless criminal cases or events posing imminent danger to the public or causing serious street obstruction were involved.

46. Mr WONG Kam-wah said that the on-street promotional activities as mentioned in the paper did not involve hawking, so the FEHD could not prosecute against such activities under the Hawker Regulation.

47. The Chairman wanted to know about the content and penalty of section 6A of the Summary Offences Ordinance.

48. Ms KWAN Sau-ling said that touters often gathered at the passageway from MTR Tsim Sha Tsui East Station to Star Ferry Pier, touting casino cruise tickets to passers-by. She urged the HKPF and MTR Corporation Limited (“MTRCL”) to cooperate and combat these selling activities.

49. Ms LAM Wai-lung said that as the YTM District was a tourist hot spot, she worried that such activities promoting casino cruise service would cause nuisance to tourists and hence impact on Hong Kong’s tourism. She urged the Police to take rigorous enforcement actions against these activities.

50. Mr SO Tsz-yeung said that the Police would take blitz enforcement actions, which included “covert” operations, to combat street touting in the district. The Police would contact MTRCL later to study measures against touting in the railway premises.

51. Mr WONG Kai-wing responded that the Police mainly prosecuted against touting in public places under section 6A of the Summary Offences Ordinance. He supplemented that the Police Community Relations Office (Yau Tsim) had conducted a joint operation with MTRCL to disperse touters in the railway premises. The Police would continue to take rigorous enforcement actions accordingly, so as to achieve a deterrent effect.

52. The Chairman urged the Police to coordinate actively with other departments or organisations to combat touting in the district, and report the progress to the FEHC in due course.

53. The Hon James TO asked the Administration to study if prosecution could be instituted against touting of casino chips to passers-by on the streets under the Gambling Ordinance.

54. The Chairman asked the HKPF to follow up on Members' suggestions, and give a written response to the FEHC later.

**Item 6: Night Time Noise Nuisance Caused by Heavy Vehicles on Hoi Fai Road and Hoi Fan Road, Tai Kok Tsui
(YTMFEHC Paper No. 5/2015)**

55. The Chairman said that the written response of the EPD (Annex 6) had been sent to Members for perusal before the meeting. He then welcomed the following representatives to the meeting:

- (a) Mr NG Ping-sum, Senior Environmental Protection Officer (Regional East) 6 of the EPD; and
- (b) Ms FUNG Man-ki, Engineer/Planning West 2 of the Transport Department ("TD").

56. The Hon James TO briefly introduced the contents of the paper.

57. Ms FUNG Man-ki responded as follows:

- (i) Currently, the use of Hoi Fai Road and Hoi Fan Road by heavy vehicles during night-time was not prohibited by the TD.
- (ii) The TD staff had inspected Hoi Fai Road and Hoi Fan Road at midnight, but no heavy vehicles had been found using the roads.
- (iii) Prohibiting certain type of vehicles from entering certain roads at certain times was not an effective solution to traffic noise, as it was rather difficult to take enforcement action. Moreover, diversion of the vehicles concerned upon implementation of such measure might cause annoyance to residents in the vicinity of other roads. Devious routes would also lengthen journey times, which might affect the operation of some transport trades. Therefore, the TD considered other noise mitigation measures to be better solution to traffic noise.
- (iv) The TD had published a leaflet with the EPD to remind the transport trades of the importance of good driving habits, vehicle repair and maintenance, and noise minimisation when driving.

(Mr CHAN Chung-cheung joined the meeting at 4:04 p.m.)

58. Mr NG Ping-sum said that the EPD had arranged midnight inspection of the areas of Hoi Fai Road and Hoi Fan Road, where low traffic volume with occasional heavy vehicular

traffic had been found. Retrofitting of noise barriers in these areas would not have any significant effect on traffic noise reduction.

59. Mr HAU Wing-cheong said that heavy vehicles were often found going through the Hoi Fai Road area, while Hoi Fan Road had a lower traffic flow. The relevant departments could pave Hoi Fai Road with asphalt to reduce traffic noise.

60. The Hon James TO suggested that the relevant departments continue to keep an eye on the traffic noise situation at Hoi Fai Road and Hoi Fan Road, and study the feasibility of prohibiting night time heavy vehicular traffic in these areas.

61. Mr CHUNG Kong-mo pointed out that many residential buildings in the district were located near road facilities. Prohibiting heavy vehicles from entering certain road sections in Tai Kok Tsui at night might trigger a chain reaction, as DC Members of different constituencies would also request similar measures to be implemented in their constituencies, the TD would then be unable to cope with all such requests.

62. Ms FUNG Man-ki reiterated that no heavy vehicles had been found using Hoi Fai Road and Hoi Fan Road during night-time, and the TD would not consider prohibiting them from entering these areas at night for the time being. She also indicated that asphalt pavement works was under the purview of the HyD. The TD could study with the HyD the feasibility of asphalt pavement at Hoi Fai Road where necessary.

63. Mr NG Ping-sum said that pavement with low-noise surfacing materials could reduce traffic noise. However, frequent heavy vehicular traffic at the road section (particularly low speed section) would accelerate asphalt loss, resulting in uneven surface and greater noise. Therefore, it was not desirable for the relevant department to pave Hoi Fai Road, which was often used by heavy vehicles, with low-noise surfacing materials.

64. The Chairman thanked the representatives of the relevant government departments for joining the discussion of this item.

(Mr Francis CHONG and Mr CHOW Chun-fai left the meeting at 4:10 p.m.)

Item 7: To Request FEHD to Address Dog Fouling on Footbridges Across Tong Mi Road and Dundas Street, and at Kam Fong Street and Kam Lam Street (YTMFEHC Paper No. 7/2015)

----- 65. The Chairman said that the written response of the FEHD (Annex 7) had been sent to Members for perusal before the meeting. He then welcomed Mr LI Ka-kei, District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Mong Kok) of the FEHD to the meeting.

66. Mr HUI Tak-leung briefly introduced the contents of the paper.

67. The Vice-chairman pointed out the poor hygiene conditions on the footbridge at the junction of Tong Mi Road and Argyle Street with dog excreta and rubbish everywhere. He urged the FEHD to step up cleansing of the footbridge.

68. Mr CHUNG Kong-mo praised the FEHD for enhanced publicity and education, such as displaying banners with deterrent effect near the black spots of dog fouling, to remind the public not to violate the relevant health regulations. He also said that many dog owners failed to clean up their dogs' excreta when they walked them at late night. To tackle this situation, he suggested that the FEHD step up street inspections and enforcement actions in the district at night.

69. Mr LAU Pak-kei said that some shop and garage operators allowed their dogs to foul in public places. He urged the FEHD to step up prosecutions against offending dog owners.

70. Mr LI Ka-kei responded as follows:

- (i) To improve the dog excreta problem on the footbridges across Tong Mi Road and Dundas Street, and in the areas of Kam Fong Street and Kam Lam Street, plain-clothes officers had been sent to inspect and take enforcement actions at different times (including morning and late night) in recent months. According to the FEHD staff, most dog owners had been very self-disciplined and cleaned up their dogs' excreta before leaving.
- (ii) The presence of dog fouling from time to time on the footbridge at Dundas Street affected environmental hygiene. Although cleansing of the footbridge was not under the purview of the FEHD, cleaners would be requested to clean fouled areas with water if signs of dog fouling were found on the footbridge in the daily street sweeping by frontline staff so as to keep the environment clean.
- (iii) The FEHD staff had visited the area of Kam Fong Street, and advised shop operators not to allow their dogs to foul in public places.
- (iv) There was a dog latrine not very far away from the footbridge at Dundas Street. The FEHD had put up notices around the latrine to remind the public.

(Mr John WONG left the meeting at 4:20 p.m.)

71. Mr HUI Tak-leung reflected that as the shop operators in the area of Kam Fong Street and the responsible persons of construction sites near Tak Cheong Street allowed their dogs to excrete anywhere, the adjoining footbridge at Dundas Street and surrounding streets were in poor hygiene conditions. He asked the FEHD to follow up on this situation actively, and expressed his willingness to assist in the department's publicity campaigns at the said locations to raise dog owners' awareness of public hygiene.

72. The Vice-chairman said that many tenants in The Hermitage kept dogs. He suggested that the FEHD contact the management office of the property to remind the tenants to clean up their dogs' excreta when they walked them.

73. Mr CHUNG Kong-mo said that many old buildings in the YTM District allowed their tenants to keep dogs. He suggested that the FEHD contact the owners' corporations ("OCs") of these buildings for distribution of leaflets to remind the tenants against dog fouling in public places. In addition, the FEHD could publish leaflets in English so that foreign helpers who walked the dogs could also understand the relevant legislation clearly.

74. The Chairman urged the FEHD to coordinate actively with other departments to improve the dog excreta problem in the district.

75. Mr LI Ka-kei responded that the FEHD was pleased to launch publicity campaigns in the vicinity of the footbridge at Dundas Street with Mr HUI Tak-leung. Moreover, the FEHD would contact the management office of The Hermitage and the OCs of buildings in the Kam Fong Street area, and provide assistance in promoting their tenants' awareness of keeping the environment clean.

76. Mr CHUNG Kong-mo supplemented that old buildings from Dundas Street to Waterloo Road also allowed their tenants to keep dogs. He hoped that the FEHD would contact the OCs concerned to enhance publicity of the message against dog fouling in public places.

77. The Chairman thanked the representative of the FEHD for joining the discussion of this item.

(The Hon James TO left the meeting at 4:30 p.m.)

Item 8: Remedial Action Required for Water Accumulation on Road Surface at Various Locations in Mong Kok (YTMFEHC Paper No. 8/2015)

78. The Chairman said that the written responses of the HyD and the Drainage Services Department ("DSD") (Annexes 8 and 9) had been sent to Members for perusal before the meeting. He then welcomed the following representatives to the meeting:

- (a) Mr LI Ka-kei, District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Mong Kok) of the FEHD; and
- (b) Mr YU Tik-fung, Chief Technical Officer/Mong Kok of the HyD.

79. Mr WONG Kin-san briefly introduced the contents of the paper. He was glad to hear that the gully installation works along the carriageway next to Fa Yuen Street Municipal Services Building had been completed, and said that he would continue to observe the effectiveness of the works. He continued that there was persistent water accumulation at the inner-side of the safety island at the Nathan Road pedestrian crossing next to Trade and Industry Department Tower. The HyD should provide a drainage channel there to solve the water accumulation problem.

80. Mr YU Tik-fung responded as follows:

- (i) The HyD would examine the effectiveness of gully installation works along the carriageway next to Fa Yuen Street Municipal Services Building in the rainy season this year.
- (ii) According to the inspection conducted by the HyD staff, the pavement in front of 71 Bute Street was uneven, which might be related to the previous trench reinstatement works undertaken by a public utility company at the same

location. The HyD was trying to arrange repavement with the public utility company. In case of failure to contact the company shortly, the HyD would repave the road surface before the rainy season this year.

- (iii) The HyD would send staff to inspect the water accumulation at the safety island and commence restoration works as soon as possible.

81. The Chairman thanked the representatives of the relevant government departments for joining the discussion of this item.

Item 9: Any Other Business

82. Mr LAU Pak-kei noted that many buildings in Tai Kok Tsui were undergoing maintenance. As a result, rats were seen scurrying around, particularly in the areas of Lok Kwan Street and Tai Kok Tsui Road. He urged the FEHD to enhance rodent control in Tai Kok Tsui for better environmental hygiene.

83. Mr CHAN Chung-cheung praised the FEHD for tackling the serious mosquito problem at the podium of HSBC Centre, Olympian City proactively. He also reflected that parallel traders distributing goods outside MTR Mong Kong East Station were causing street obstruction. He hoped that the relevant departments could rectify the situation.

84. The Chairman urged the relevant departments to follow up on the aforesaid situations, and report the progress to the FEHC later.

85. There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 4:37 p.m. The next meeting would be held at 2:30 p.m. on 19 March 2015.

Yau Tsim Mong District Council Secretariat
February 2015

油尖旺區議會
食物及環境衛生委員會第 1/2015 號文件

要求食環署正視渡船街與奶路臣街交界衛生問題

多謝油尖旺區區議會許德亮議員就渡船街與奶路臣街交界、渡船街(奶路臣街一段)及塘尾道 14-18 號嘉禮大廈對出一段行人路及行車路長期被堆滿發泡膠箱、竹蘿及垃圾，引致環境衛生事宜提呈文件，並要求食物環境衛生署(下稱「本署」)作出回覆。本署現回覆如下：

1. 本署一向有關注渡船街、奶路臣街及塘尾道嘉禮大廈對出一帶的街道清潔及環境衛生情況，除每日安排潔淨服務承辦商在上址進行恆常清理及清洗工作外，本署人員亦會經常到上址巡查，如發現有人隨地棄置垃圾，會採取檢控行動。在過去半年(2014 年 6 月 1 日至 12 月 31 日)，本署在上址共發出 7 張定額罰款通知書。另外，本署人員在巡查時如發現有雜物妨礙本署執行清掃工作時，會根據相關法例向有關物主發出《移走障礙物通知書》，飭令其於指定時間內將有關物品移走，否則本署人員會在限期過後將該等物件移走。在同一期間，本署在上址共發出 53 張《移走障礙物通知書》。再同一期間，本署向在上址一帶店舖及檔販因違例阻街合共提出了 123 宗檢控。
2. 在接獲許議員的轉介後，本署隨即安排職員在今年 1 月 7 日及 12 日到上址進行突擊執法行動，期間共發出 5 張《移走障礙物通知書》及清理擺放在上址無人認領的雜物及向違例在公眾地方棄置垃圾的人士發出 1 張定額罰款通知書。行動期間，亦向店舖及檔販因違例阻街提出了 5 宗檢控。
3. 除恆常街道潔淨及垃圾收集服務外，本署旺角區防治蟲鼠組人員亦會定期在上址一帶的公眾地方包括後巷及橫巷進行防防控鼠患的工作。在過去一年，本署人員於上址一帶共捕獲/毒殺 37 隻老鼠。
4. 本署會繼續留意上址情況及採取適當行動，以保持環境衛生。

食物環境衛生署
旺角區環境衛生辦事處
2015 年 1 月

關注通菜街 128 號對出行人路垃圾堆積問題

多謝油尖旺區區議會黃建新議員就上述標題事宜提呈文件，並要求食物環境衛生署（下稱「本署」）作出回覆。本署現按文件內提出的問題綜合回覆如下：

根據現行各有關政府部門就非法在公眾地方棄置建築廢物事宜的既定職責分配，環境保護署(環保署)負責按香港法例第 354 章《廢物處置條例》採取執法及檢控行動，路政署負責清除所有公用道路、公路和快速公路上的建築廢物，地政總署負責清除公用道路以外的政府土地上的建築廢物，而食環署的主要職責是負責街道清潔工作，包括清理棄置於公眾地方的家居/有機廢物。按上述部門之間的工作分配，食環署只會在下述情況下，才會把被棄置於公眾地方的建築廢物移走：

- (a) 在未被察覺的情況下，被棄置於本署轄下設施場地內的建築廢物；或
- (b) 被棄置於公眾地方並混雜家居/有機廢物的建築廢物，當中佔大部分為不能與建築廢物分類的家居/有機廢物。

本署亦有留意到通菜街 128 號對出經常有建築廢物被棄置於馬路旁的情況。根據上述部門的分工安排，如本署人員發現有建築廢物被棄置於公眾地方，會即時通知路政署跟進。此外，如本署人員在巡查期間發現有人非法在公眾地方棄置垃圾及廢物，亦會按香港法例第 132BK 章《公眾潔淨及防止防擾規例》對違例人士作出檢控。根據記錄，本署旺角區環境衛生辦事處在過去半年（2014 年 6 月至 12 月）內向違例在公眾地方非法棄置垃圾及廢物的人士提出了 546 宗檢控。

本署會繼續留意上址的情況，並採取適當行動，以保持地方環境衛生。

2012至2015年度油尖旺區議會

食物及環境衛生委員會第18次會議

有關：關注通菜街128 號對出行人路垃圾堆積問題

就上述討論文件的建議，環境保護署(環保署)回覆如下：

在過去一年，環保署接獲 3 宗有關通菜街 128 號附近棄置垃圾雜物或建築廢物的投訴。針對通菜街及旺角一帶非法棄置垃圾雜物及建築廢物的情況，環保署人員在過去一年於區內進行了多次巡查及埋伏行動，並就 17 宗非法棄置垃圾雜物或建築廢物的個案成功採取執法行動。在向違例人士採取執法行動時，環保署人員亦會要求有關人士將被棄置的廢物移走。

大部分在市區非法棄置建築廢物的活動均與舊區大廈商業或住宅單位的裝修等工程有關，環保署人員在巡查時也加強進行宣傳工作，聯絡發現非法棄置建築廢物地點附近裝修單位的業主和管理處等，要求他們密切留意及提醒承建商及裝修工人妥善處置裝修工程所產生的廢物。

環保署會因應實際情況在區內加強巡查，打擊非法棄置雜物及建築廢物的活動，並會繼續與各相關部門跟進，從速處理投訴個案。

環境保護署

2015 年 1 月 16 日



小販資助計劃 進展報告

(截至2014年12月31日)

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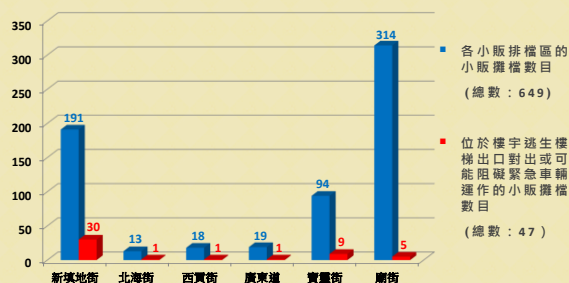
- 優先遷置有較高火警風險的攤檔（阻塞樓宇逃生樓梯出口或消防車輛運作通道），以及提升小販攤檔的消防安全

策略

- 與持份者溝通：
 - 了解關注，爭取其信心和認同
- 回應訴求：
 - 採納對販商影響最少而又可行的遷置方案
- 遷置方案：
 - 善用空置／已交回牌照攤檔位置，原街重置
- 爭取時間盡快完成

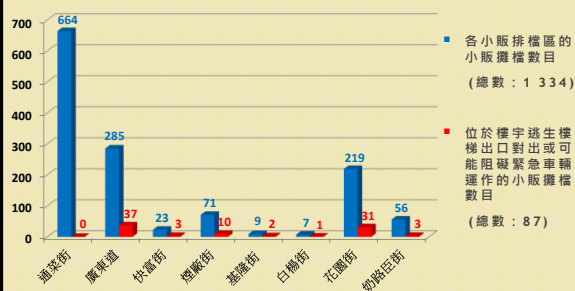
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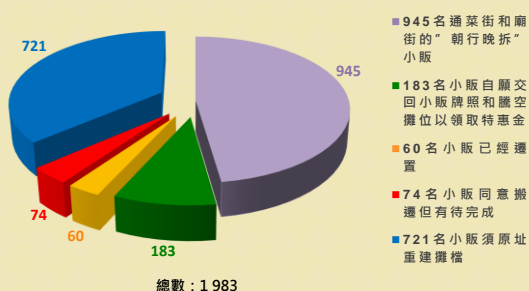
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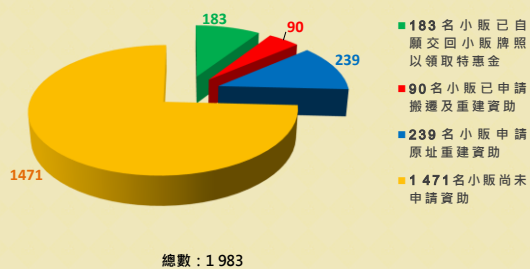
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油尖旺區小販排檔區圖表分析



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騰空樓宇逃生樓梯 出口位置示例

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寶靈街



廟街



9

新填地街



北海街



西貢街



10

廣東道



快富街



11

花園街



白楊街



12

新建攤檔示例

寶靈街



14

廟街



15

新填地街



16

廣東道



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快富街



18

花園街



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花園街



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基隆街



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關注尖沙咀廣東道、天星碼頭一帶
行人路阻塞及路人被滋擾問題

食物環境衛生署的回應如下：

1. 街頭推廣活動，包括派發宣傳單張等，屬街道管理問題，涉及多個部門的工作範疇。本署的主要工作是保持環境衛生，會優先處理涉及無牌販賣和妨礙街道清掃工作的情況。由於街頭推廣活動一般不涉及實際售賣貨品或商品，所以並不構成販賣。
2. 本署在過往三年並無接獲涉及向遊客或途人兜售賭船船票造成滋擾的投訴。
3. 至於在尖沙咀廣東道及天星碼頭一帶行人路有商業宣傳活動等事宜，視乎需要，本署會參與由民政事務處統籌的跨部門聯合行動。

食物環境衛生署
油尖區環境衛生辦事處

2015 年 1 月

油尖旺區議會轄下
食物及環境衛生委員會第十八次會議（2015 年 1 月 22 日）

討論事項	政府部門回應
大角咀海輝道及海帆道有大型車輛晚上發出噪音滋擾	<p><u>環境保護署的回覆</u></p> <p>提問(4)及(5)的回覆：</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 施行交通管理計劃的目的，是希望透過禁止某些車輛（如重型車輛）全日或在夜間進入個別地區或路段行駛，以紓減道路交通噪音。要成功施行這類交通管制計劃，必須找到合適替代路線以供使用，並且確定不會將交通噪音影響轉移至替代路線附近的居民。有關措施亦必須為道路使用者和運輸業接受。基於這些限制，並不容易找到適當的路段來實施交通管理計劃。• 至於海輝道及海帆道實施交通管理的建議，本署亦已要求運輸署研究其可行性及作出回覆。• 環境保護署及運輸署已編制了兩份有關駕駛時減少製造噪音的單張。運輸署會將有關單張派發予運輸業界，提醒業界在駕駛時要盡量減少製造噪音。運輸署會繼續與相關部門留意有關路段的交通事宜。

**要求食環署正視塘尾道及登打士街行人天橋、
甘芳街及甘霖街狗隻隨處便溺問題**

多謝油尖旺區區議會許德亮議員就上述標題事宜提呈文件，並要求食物環境衛生署（下稱「本署」）作出回覆。本署回覆如下：

- 本署一向十分關注塘尾道行人天橋及登打士街行人天橋、甘芳街及甘霖街的街道衛生情況。就跟進上址有狗主讓狗隻隨處便溺問題，本署在過去 6 個月於不同時段包括黃昏及深夜時分安排便裝職員在上址採取了 24 次突擊檢控行動，惟未發現有因沒有清理其狗隻遺下的糞便而離開的違例人士。
- 在過去六個月，本署在上址共收到 48 宗狗隻隨處便溺的投訴。接獲許議員的轉介後，本署除要求潔淨服務承辦商加強清洗上址街道路面外，亦加強了在上址的突擊檢控行動。在 1 月 10 日、14 日及 15 日的行動中並未發現有狗主未有清理狗隻遺下的糞便而離去的情況。本署在 1 月下旬會繼續安排突擊行動跟進有關情況。
- 此外，本署已在上址一帶合適地點設置了一個狗廁所(近登打士街行人天橋)及在塘尾道及登打士街行人天橋不同位置點放置了 7 個狗糞收集箱，方便狗主在攜帶狗隻上街時使用。同時亦張貼了相關海報，提醒狗主須妥善處理其狗隻在公眾地方遺下的糞便，否則會遭檢控。
- 如有需要加強在區內的宣傳工作，本署十分樂意聯同地區人士在有狗隻隨處便溺的黑點及其附近一帶向攜帶狗隻的人士派發宣傳單張，提醒保持環境清潔的重要性。
- 本署已提醒前線人員加倍留意上址一帶的潔淨情況，以及採取適當行動，以保持地方環境衛生。

要求改善旺角區內多處路面積水情況

路政署負責保養轄下公共道路的道路排水系統，並進行定期的清理及維修。路政署會每半年檢查及清理旺角區內的道路排水系統，至於水浸黑點則會每一至三個月進行檢查及清理。如發現有淤塞的情況，路政署會立即安排清理工作，以保持渠道暢通。

就討論文件關於三處有積水的路段，路政署的回覆如下：

1. 通菜街與旺角道交界，花園街市政大廈外行車路：

路政署已於2015年1月19日完成加設集水溝的工程，並會檢視改善後的情況。

2. 彌敦道鄰近旺角貿易署的中央過路處：

路政署在去年並沒有收到有積水的投訴，然而會留意有關情況，適時安排改善工程。

3. 弼街71號對出的行人路面

路政署於日前的巡察發現有關的行人路面有不平的情況，成因可能與公用事業的壕坑修復工程有關。路政署會跟進有關的情況，於雨季來臨前進行修復工程。

Urgent By Fax**MEMO**

From	Chief Engineer/Mainland South, DSD	To	Yau Tsim Mong District Council
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18th FEHC Meeting of YTMDC

I refer to your email dated 7.1.2015 about the discussion item “要求改善旺角區內多處路面積水情況” . Please note my reply below as regards the issue for your further action.

● 中文回覆:

行人路及行車路的維修保養及路面排水屬於路政署的職責範圍，本署於實地視察時亦發現文件中所提到的地點因路面不平而出現積水情況，相信路政署能於油尖旺區議會會議上就有關問題作出適當回應。本署暫不會委派代表出席以上會議。

如有任何查詢，請致電 2300 1519 與本署工程師林偉華先生聯絡。

● English Reply:

The maintenance of footpath and carriageway and the drainage of surface water are under the jurisdiction of Highways Department. Besides, water ponding due to uneven footpath and carriageway surface was found at the concerned locations during our recent site inspections. Therefore, I trust that Highways Department will respond to the relevant questions at the FEHC Meeting and this Department will not send representative to attend the meeting.

For further queries, please feel free to contact Engineer Mr. LAM Wai-wah at telephone no.2300 1519.

2. Please feel free to contact me at telephone no. 2300 1519 for further queries.



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for Chief Engineer/Mainland South
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