

**Report on the Services of the Public Libraries in Islands District  
by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department  
between March 2024 and April 2024**

**Purpose**

This paper reports to Members on the services of the public libraries of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) in the Islands District between March 2024 and April 2024.

**Background**

2. The LCSD provides free public library services to the public in the Islands District, through two district libraries (Cheung Chau Public Library and Tung Chung Public Library), five small libraries (Peng Chau Public Library, North Lamma Public Library, South Lamma Public Library, Mui Wo Public Library and Tai O Public Library), and five mobile library stops located at Yat Tung Estate, Discovery Bay, Pui O, Shui Hau and Tong Fuk.

3. In addition to the lending and information services provided, a variety of extension activities including storytelling for children, subject talk/thematic workshop, book display and user education session are regularly organised in the libraries. Activities such as Reading Programme for Children and Youth, Teens Reading Club and Meet-the-Author session are also held to promote a reading culture.

**Usage on the Services**

4. The report on the usage of services of the public libraries in the Islands District between March 2024 and April 2024 is set out in Appendix I to II.

**Proposal to Revise the Opening Hours of South Lamma Public Library**

5. To further facilitate residents of South Lamma Island to use the library service, the LCSD, after careful consideration of relevant factors such as manpower and resources allocation, proposes to revise the opening hours of the South Lamma Public Library from the original Friday to Saturday, so that residents who have to work or to go to school on weekdays can use the library service on Saturdays. LCSD will commence preparatory work as soon as possible. It is expected that the new opening hours will be implemented in September 2024.

**Existing Library Opening Hours:**

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday: Closed  
Tuesday and Friday: From 9 am to 1 pm; From 2 pm to 5 pm

Public Holidays: From 10:15 am to 1 pm

Proposed New Opening Hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday: Closed

Tuesday and Saturday: From 9 am to 1 pm; From 2 pm to 5 pm

Public Holidays: From 10:15 am to 1 pm

**Submission**

6. This paper is to be tabled at the DFWC meeting on 18 June 2024.

**Leisure and Cultural Services Department**

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