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Minutes of the 4th Meeting of Tsuen Wan District Council (1/24-25)

Date: 28 May 2024

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Venue: Main Conference Room, Tsuen Wan District Office

Present:

Chairman

Mr AU Ka-shing, Billy, JP (District Officer (Tsuen Wan), Tsuen Wan District Office)

Members

Ms WONG Shuk-fan, Luparker

Mr KOO Yeung-pong, MH

Mr NG Chun-yu

Mr CHU Tak-wing, MH

Ms LAM Yuen-pun

Mr CHOW Sum-ming

Mr YAU Kam-ping, BBS, MH

Ms CHEUNG Man-ka, Marcella

Mr LEUNG Cheong-ming, Raymond, MH, JP

Mr CHAN Chun-chung

Ms CHAN Shun-shun

Mr CHAN Sung-ip, BBS, MH

Mr MOK Yuen-kwan

Mr CHAN Hiu-chun, MH

Mr TSANG Tai

Mr FUNG Cheuk-sum

Ms WAH Mei-ling

Mr WONG Wai-kit, MH

Mr WONG Kai-chun

Mr KOT Siu-yuen, MH

Mr LAU Chung-kong

Mr CHENG Chit-pun

Government Representatives

Mr KWAN Chun-kit, Eric

Assistant District Officer (Tsuen Wan), Tsuen Wan District Office

Ms TAM Wing-sze, Winnie

Senior Liaison Officer (1), Tsuen Wan District Office

Mr HO Kwok-yan, Philip

Senior Liaison Officer (2), Tsuen Wan District Office

Mr YUNG Ho-wai, Anthony

Senior Liaison Officer (3), Tsuen Wan District Office

Mr KWONG Chi-wing, Denis

Senior Executive Officer (District Management), Tsuen

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| | Wan District Office |
| Mr LAW Ka-hong, Alex | District Commander (Tsuen Wan), Hong Kong Police Force |
| Mr FUNG Chi-ho, Eric | Police Community Relations Officer (Tsuen Wan), Hong Kong Police Force |
| Ms WONG Siu-fan, Phoebe | District Social Welfare Officer (Tsuen Wan/Kwai Tsing), Social Welfare Department |
| Ms HO Mun-yee, Money | District Lands Officer/Tsuen Wan and Kwai Tsing (District Lands Office, Tsuen Wan and Kwai Tsing), Lands Department |
| Ms LAM Hang-ling, Sara | Administrative Assistant/Lands (District Lands Office, Tsuen Wan and Kwai Tsing), Lands Department |
| Mr WONG Wai-lim, William | Chief Transport Officer/New Territories South West (Acting), Transport Department |
| Mrs LAI CHAN Wai-fan, Clara | Chief Manager/Management (Wong Tai Sin, Tsing Yi and Tsuen Wan), Housing Department |
| Mr HUNG Sai-kit | District Environmental Hygiene Superintendent (Tsuen Wan), Food and Environmental Hygiene Department |
| Mr NG Kwok-suen, Carl | Senior Engineer/10 (West), Civil Engineering and Development Department |
| Ms LIM Ting-ting, Sylvia | Chief Leisure Manager (New Territories West), Leisure and Cultural Services Department |
| Ms NG Kam-yim | District Leisure Manager (Tsuen Wan), Leisure and Cultural Services Department |
| Mr LIM Kuen (Secretary) | Senior Executive Officer (District Council), Tsuen Wan District Office |
| Miss LEUNG Tsz-wai, Apple | Executive Officer I (District Council), Tsuen Wan District Office |

In Attendance:

For discussion of item 3

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| Mr Derek SUN | General Manager (Business Strategy Department), Urban Renewal Authority |
| Ms Carol HUI | Senior Manager (Business Strategy Department), Urban Renewal Authority |
| Ms Kitty TANG | Assistant Manager (Business Strategy Department), Urban Renewal Authority |

For discussion of item 5

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| Mr CHAN Yee-hing, Paul | Engineer/Tsuen Wan 1, Transport Department |
| Mr SIN Ho-pong, Stanley | Engineer/Tsuen Wan 2, Transport Department |

For discussion of item 7

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| Miss LEUNG Wai-nga, Viola | Senior Manager (New Territories South) Promotion, Leisure and Cultural Services Department |
| Mr LEE Wai-man | Senior Librarian (Tsuen Wan), Leisure and Cultural Services Department |

For discussion of item 10

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| Mr Daniel CHUI | Regional Officer/New Territories West, Independent Commission Against Corruption |
| Ms Mani WONG | Community Relations Officer/New Territories South West, Independent Commission Against Corruption |

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I Opening Remarks and Introduction

The Chairman welcomed Members and representatives from government departments to the 4th meeting of the Tsuen Wan District Council (TWDC) and introduced:

- (1) Mr KWAN Chun-kit, Eric, Assistant District Officer (Tsuen Wan) (ADO(TW)), Tsuen Wan District Office (TWDO), who attended a meeting of the TWDC for the first time;
- (2) Mr WONG Wai-lim, William, Chief Transport Officer/New Territories South West (Acting) (CTO/NTSW (Atg.)), Transport Department (TD), who attended this meeting on behalf of Mr MOK Ka-sing, Mark;
- (3) Mr NG Kwok-suen, Carl, Senior Engineer/10 (West) (SE/10(W)), Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD), who attended this meeting on behalf of Mr HO Kai-ho, Stanley; and
- (4) Ms LAM Hang-ling, Sara, Administrative Assistant/Lands (District Lands Office, Tsuen Wan and Kwai Tsing), Lands Department, who attended a meeting of the TWDC for the first time.

2. The Chairman stated that according to the requirements stipulated in the Tsuen Wan District Council Standing Orders (the "Standing Orders"), if a District Council (DC) Member found that he/she had any direct personal or pecuniary interests in a discussion item or relevant matters when attending a meeting of the Council or dealing with matters related to the Council, the DC Member should declare the interests. The Secretariat had not received any declaration of interests prior to the meeting. The Chairman enquired whether Members had to make declarations of interests immediately. No Member made a declaration of interests immediately.

3. The Chairman stated that there were numerous items on the agenda and therefore asked Members to speak as concisely as possible. Members could speak once and make supplementary remarks once on each agenda item at the meeting. Each Member could speak up to two minutes in the first round of speeches and up to

one minute in the second round of speeches.

II Item 1: Confirmation of Minutes of the 3rd Meeting held on 26.3.2024

4. The Chairman stated that the Secretariat had not received any proposed amendments prior to the meeting. The Chairman enquired whether Members had to put forth proposed amendments immediately. No Member put forth a proposed amendment immediately. Members unanimously endorsed the minutes.

III Item 2: Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Previous Meetings

5. The Chairman stated that there were no matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.

IV Item 3: The Tsuen Wan District Study of the Urban Renewal Authority
(TWDC Paper No. 3/24-25)

6. The Chairman invited the Urban Renewal Authority (URA) to brief Members on the latest progress of the Tsuen Wan District Study (TWDS). The representatives attending the meeting were:

- (1) Mr Derek SUN, General Manager (Business Strategy Department) (GM(BSD)), URA;
- (2) Ms Carol HUI, Senior Manager (Business Strategy Department) (SM(BSD)), URA; and
- (3) Ms Kitty TANG, Assistant Manager (Business Strategy Department), URA.

7. GM(BSD) and SM(BSD) of the URA introduced the paper.

8. Mr WONG Kai-chun said many Members were concerned that no specific development plan had been drawn up by the Government for the site of former Tsuen King Circuit Market since the closure of the market on 1 March 2018. He suggested that the Government should consider developing this site into a community space to provide facilities such as an integrated community service centre, a public library and a community hall. Also, he considered that Tsuen King Circuit demonstrated tremendous potential for development in the future because the Central Rail Link proposed in the Government's railway development plan would run past this area. He proposed that the URA should conduct additional surveys in the vicinity of Tsuen King Circuit, canvassing residents for their views on the redevelopment of the site of former Tsuen King Circuit Market and the development of the surrounding area of Tsuen King Circuit.

9. Ms LAM Yuen-pun hoped that the URA would provide a timetable for implementation of the redevelopment programme in Tsuen Wan. Moreover, she had frequently received complaints against noise at residential premises. She suggested that when launching redevelopment projects, the URA should adopt building designs

which were more effective in reducing noise, make use of newer construction materials or increase the thickness of building walls to enhance the soundproofing capacity of these buildings. Additionally, she was gravely concerned about the future development of the site of former Tsuen King Circuit Market. She also enquired whether the URA could work out a development plan for Tsuen King Circuit as early as practicable.

10. Mr LAU Chung-kong enquired whether the URA had drawn on advice from other experts alongside the district-based survey.

11. Mr NG Chun-yu said that many residents, especially the elderly, were very concerned about when the urban redevelopment programme would commence in Tsuen Wan. It was because the programme would have a bearing on their arrangements for building repairs, sale and purchase of residential properties and everyday life. He urged the URA to provide a timetable for the redevelopment programme expeditiously. Besides, he enquired on the delineation of redevelopment zones within the old areas in Tsuen Wan, i.e. whether a redevelopment project would be implemented on the scale of a street, a sub-district or several buildings in the future. Noting that a number of government buildings (e.g. Lady Trench General Out-patient Clinic, Princess Alexandra Community Centre and Tsuen Wan Law Courts Building) were built long ago, he suggested increasing the plot ratios of proposed buildings in the redevelopment zones concerned so as to dovetail with the entire urban renewal plan.

12. Ms WONG Shuk-fan, Luparker said that the district-based survey of the URA had been conducted between May and July 2023. The result of the survey showed that only a handful of the interviewees were patrons of Heung Che Street Market. She asked whether the URA would consider according priority to the implementation of redevelopment projects at Heung Che Street Market as well as Fuk Loi Estate and Moon Lok Dai Ha in the vicinity. Besides, the URA had recently completed the consultation work of Stage 2. She enquired about the time required to complete each of the subsequent stages and whether the URA could provide a relevant timetable to address the concerns raised by local residents over the years.

13. GM(BSD) of the URA responded as follows:

- (1) Tsuen King Circuit fell within the “Opportunity Zone” in the TWDS. By conducting this study, the URA mainly aimed to review and identify any under-utilised sites (e.g. the site of former Tsuen King Circuit Market) within the “Opportunity Zone” and explore the feasibility of developing and reprovisioning such sites, thereby complementing the urban renewal work of the entire Tsuen Wan district;
- (2) the URA was aware of people’s aspiration for redeveloping and developing the site of former Tsuen King Circuit Market. It would

discuss the feasibility of developing this site with the departments concerned;

- (3) the URA would heed and adopt advice from experts at all stages of the TWDS. During the consultation period of Stage 2, the URA would invite experts (e.g. relevant professional institutes and academics) to form an expert panel and offer advice on the TWDS;
- (4) the objective of the TWDS was to formulate a Master Urban Renewal Concept Plan (MRCP). Apart from redevelopment, an array of approaches such as building rehabilitation would be adopted to engage different stakeholders (including the URA, the Government and private developers) and to aid the acceleration of the urban renewal work. As how the MRCP would be implemented, apart from the URA's involvement on a project basis, the engagement of private developers would also be essential to speed up the pace of urban renewal in Tsuen Wan;
- (5) as far as the timetable was concerned, the URA wished to complete the consultation work in 2024 or 2025 and would then propose the MRCP to the Government. The Government would determine whether to adopt all or some recommendations from the MRCP. The Planning Department would rezone the sites concerned in a timely manner. The URA would evaluate the situation and take forward the urban renewal work according to the recommendations of the MRCP; and
- (6) concerning the relatively low patronage of Heung Che Street Market, the URA would take into account the views of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD) on the consolidation of the public market sites when formulating the MRCP. Fuk Loi Estate and Moon Lok Dai Ha were public rental housing (PRH) estates respectively managed by the Hong Kong Housing Authority (HKHA) and Hong Kong Housing Society (HKHS). As the HKHA and HKHS were also working on the planning of their respective redevelopment projects, the URA would discuss with them how to complement one another. Besides, given the comparatively sizeable area of Fuk Loi Estate, the URA would also enhance liaison with the HKHA and explore ways to better link up other locations in Tsuen Wan town centre through the planning of accesses to/from Fuk Loi Estate.

14. Mr LEUNG Cheong-ming, Raymond said that it took five years for the URA to complete the District Study for Yau Ma Tei and Mong Kok (the "Study") from 2017 to 2022. He enquired whether it was reasonable to assume that the entire TWDS would also require about five years to complete. As the URA had only completed the work of Stage 2 in recent days, he suggested that the URA should speed up the TWDS. Besides, the plot ratios of sites in Tsuen Wan district were lower than those of other districts. Having learnt about the relaxation of plot ratios

under the redevelopment programme of Yau Ma Tei and Mong Kok, he enquired whether the URA would recommend adjusting the plot ratios in the TWDS in the future.

15. Ms CHEUNG Man-ka, Marcella enquired whether Ma Wan would be covered in the TWDS. Moreover, she suggested that the URA should take into account the demographic structure of Tsuen Wan district when conducting the TWDS. The URA should also properly formulate redevelopment plans and allocate resources according to the population profiles of different communities, thereby providing residents with suitable community facilities (e.g. residential care homes for the elderly or child care centres).

16. Mr FUNG Cheuk-sum was concerned about the redevelopment of PRH estates. He said that when planning the redevelopment of PRH estates, the HKHA encountered obstacles including the lack of land and the difficulty in rehousing residents in the same district. He hoped that the URA would recommend reserving land for housing development by the HKHA or HKHS in the TWDS. The URA should also draw on the illustrative example of the redevelopment of Chun Seen Mei Chuen in Kowloon City in which the HKHA and HKHS had successfully completed the redevelopment of this PRH estate through the swap of land. He suggested that the URA should enhance communication with the HKHA and HKHS, ensuring that the departments and organisations concerned could draw up redevelopment plans of PRH estates as early as possible.

17. Mr MOK Yuen-kwan said he was aware that about 70 percent of the interviewees in the on-street interviews of the district-based survey were residents of Tsuen Wan district and 30 percent were visitors from other districts. As far as the questionnaire survey of owners and tenants was concerned, the majority of the respondents were people living and working in Tsuen Wan district. He agreed that priority consideration should be given to local residents' views. However, Tsuen Wan was a quality place to live, work and have fun. He thus held that views of people from other districts were also of great importance in promoting local economy. In his opinion, the URA should further collect views from people of other districts to attract them to continuously spend money and leisure time in Tsuen Wan in the future. Besides, he proposed that subsequent surveys should focus on collecting views from affected residents on rehousing in or outside Tsuen Wan district. Appropriate rehousing arrangements could therefore be made for residents during the implementation of redevelopment projects.

18. GM(BSD) of the URA responded as follows:

- (1) it required time to consider various circumstances and views from different stakeholders under the TWDS. The URA would capitalise on the experience gained from the Study to speed up the TWDS;

- (2) the URA would conduct two thematic studies for Tsuen Wan district, namely the Study on Multi-level Pedestrian Connection Networks and the Study on Development Capacity and Infrastructure Review. It would review infrastructure in Tsuen Wan district in the latter. If the local infrastructure had sufficient space to accommodate the increase in structural capacity arising from the relaxation of plot ratios, the URA would consider proposing the relaxation of plot ratios so as to provide an extra incentive for various stakeholders to take part in the redevelopment;
- (3) Ma Wan fell beyond the scope of the TWDS. The TWDS would be conducted based on the demographic structure data from the Census and Statistics Department. In order to plan the provision of suitable social welfare facilities, the URA would review the sufficiency of community facilities in Tsuen Wan according to the population of the community. It would also review the necessity of upgrading the existing community facilities to better cater for the needs of residents in both new and old communities;
- (4) regarding the Member's proposal for swapping land, the URA would continue to study the feasibility of the proposal together with the HKHA and HKHS. The HKHA and HKHS were also proactively considering this proposal. The URA would complement their work to speed up the redevelopment of PRH estates; and
- (5) the URA had conducted on-street interviews with more than 3 000 people during the district-based survey. While Tsuen Wan residents accounted for the majority, a certain proportion of the interviewees were members of the public from other districts. Regarding the Member's proposal for collecting more views of people from other districts in the survey, the URA would consider expanding the scope of data collection where necessary.

19. SM(BSD) of the URA added that views from users of non-domestic premises were also collected in the URA's questionnaire survey of owners and tenants. The survey explored the impacts of urban renewal on this group of people and their intention to continue to run their businesses in the district.

20. The Chairman said that the results of the URA's survey were broadly in line with Tsuen Wan residents' expectations for the redevelopment programme and the enhancement of community facilities in the district. He understood that uncertainties would surround the TWDS when it was underway and therefore it was difficult for the URA to provide a specific timetable. He enquired when the URA would report on its work progress to the TWDC again.

21. GM(BSD) of the URA said that the URA would organise a consultation

session in mid-2024 and planned to invite participation from the local community (including DC Members). Members were welcome to actively partake in the session and give views at that time. The URA expected to brief the TWDC on the latest progress again in 2025.

22. The Chairman thanked the representatives from the URA for attending this meeting. He also hoped that the URA would arrange another briefing for the TWDC in a timely manner when further progress was made on the TWDS.

23. Members noted the captioned paper submitted by the URA.

V Item 4: Action Plan for Tsuen Wan Police District 2024
(TWDC Paper No. 4/24-25)

24. The Chairman invited the Hong Kong Police Force (HKPF) to brief Members on the Action Plan for Tsuen Wan Police District 2024. The representatives attending the meeting were:

- (1) Mr LAW Ka-hong, Alex, District Commander (Tsuen Wan) (DC(TW)), HKPF; and
- (2) Mr FUNG Chi-ho, Eric, Police Community Relations Officer (Tsuen Wan), HKPF.

25. DC(TW) of the HKPF introduced the paper.

26. Ms LAM Yuen-pun was very concerned about the problem of scams in the district. She said that with the rapid development of artificial intelligence (AI), it was difficult for the public to take precautions against fraudsters who fooled people by impersonating others with the aid of AI-generated voices and appearances. She learnt from the HKPF's report on its action plan that in order to combat technology crime, the Police attached importance to sharpening professional skills and knowledge of frontline officers as well as enhancing the intelligence gathering and investigation capabilities. However, given that fraudsters had a myriad of defrauding tricks, she wished to learn about additional strategies which could effectively help the public to counter scams.

27. Ms WONG Shuk-fan, Luparker thanked the HKPF's representative for briefing Members on the Action Plan for Tsuen Wan Police District 2024. In her opinion, a series of anti-drug promotional videos produced by the HKPF had a deterrent effect and were effective in warning students to steer clear of drugs. These videos were highly suitable to be shown during weekly assemblies at school on a regular basis. Moreover, she noted that the HKPF had all along been working in close partnership with different stakeholders in the district. She suggested that the HKPF should strengthen its cooperation with the associations of heads of secondary schools, primary schools and kindergartens in the district, as well as with the schools'

discipline teams to educate students to respect police officers and stay away from criminal activities. She also hoped that students would convey crime prevention messages to their parents with a view to enhancing the publicity effectiveness.

28. DC(TW) of the HKPF responded as follows:

- (1) the public could install Scameter+, an upgraded mobile application, on their smartphones. Scameter+ functioned like a protective shield to defend the public from endless defrauding tricks of fraudsters. Scameter+ offered three new features, namely, Call Alert, Website Detection and Public Intelligence. When a suspicious call was received, Scameter+ would automatically compare the number of the incoming call against records in the daily-updated scam database. If Scameter+ detected that the caller's number was found to be of high risk of fraud, it would issue a real-time warning alert to avoid users falling prey to scams;
- (2) the public could call the HKPF's Anti-Scam Helpline 18222 to contact officers of the Anti-Deception Coordination Centre. They could enquire about any information on fraud or seek assistance if they suspected that they had fallen victims to scams. Operators of Anti-Scam Helpline 18222 would immediately provide the public with an analysis and anti-deception strategies over the phone to protect them from scams;
- (3) the HKPF would publish the latest anti-drug promotional videos on its official Facebook page on a regular basis; and
- (4) the HKPF had discussed the promotion of anti-deception and crime prevention messages among students at school with heads and teaching staff of individual schools in the district. Working in tandem with the schools in the district, the HKPF would further promote anti-deception and crime prevention messages among students through appropriate activities arranged by heads and teachers of the schools.

29. The Chairman suggested that the HKPF should give consideration to Members' views.

30. Members noted the captioned paper submitted by the HKPF.

VI Item 5: Briefing on the Annual Traffic and Transport Work Plan for Tsuen Wan District 2024/25 by the Transport Department
(TWDC Paper No. 5/24-25)

31. The Chairman invited the TD to brief Members on the Annual Traffic and Transport Work Plan for Tsuen Wan District 2024/25. The representatives attending the meeting were:

- (1) Mr WONG Wai-lim, William, CTO/NTSW (Atg.), TD;

- (2) Mr CHAN Yee-hing, Paul, Engineer/Tsuen Wan 1 (E/TW1), TD; and
- (3) Mr SIN Ho-pong, Stanley, Engineer/Tsuen Wan 2 (E/TW2), TD.

32. CTO/NTSW (Atg.) and E/TW2 of the TD introduced the paper.

33. Mr CHENG Chit-pun said that, as mentioned by the TD, the current transport strategy in Hong Kong mainly revolved around a railway-based network complemented by bus services. However, for remote areas where there was no railway coverage (such as Sham Tseng and Tsing Lung Tau, etc.), residents relied primarily on bus services for commuting, with green minibuses (GMBs) serving as a supplementary mode of transport. Due to shortages of drivers and vehicles for GMB services in these areas, the service frequencies failed to meet the passenger demand during peak hours at present. However, enhancements to bus trip frequencies in the areas concerned were not proposed in the Bus Route Planning Programme for Tsuen Wan District by the TD owing to the fact that GMB services were already available to the residents therein. He suggested that a period of about one year should be allowed for the TD to observe whether the importation of foreign labour would solve the problems of insufficient manpower and lost trips of GMB services. He also suggested that adjustments should be made to relevant strategies, such as replacing GMB services which showed no improvement with bus services, to resolve the transport inconvenience suffered by residents. Besides, he was pleased to learn that the TD had set up additional parking spaces for motorcycles in Sham Tseng Village, but considered that it still failed to meet the actual needs. Except for some rural areas, parking spaces were in short supply throughout the district. The previous terms of the TWDC had also put forward the suggestion of installing automated parking system (APS) at more car parks. He proposed that the Government should introduce APS instead of conventional parking system when constructing car parks in the future so as to increase the number of parking spaces.

34. Ms CHAN Shun-shun said that many residents had relayed to her the issue of insufficient pedestrian crossing time in the district. She pointed out that the pedestrian traffic light at a section of the slope in Shek Wai Kok was equipped with a device that allowed the elderly and persons with disabilities to extend the crossing time by tapping their Octopus cards. She suggested that a similar device should be installed at the pedestrian crossing off Fairview Garden to provide pedestrians in need with sufficient crossing time. In addition, she suggested the TD and Kowloon Motor Bus Company (1933) Limited (KMB) consider implementing the “Regional Short-haul Two-way Section Fare Scheme” in Tsuen Wan district so that residents living in more remote areas such as Tsuen King Circuit and Lei Muk Shue could enjoy sectional bus fares or interchange concessions.

35. Mr CHAN Sung-ip said that there was a lack of parking spaces for motorcycles in the district at present. The TWDC had discussed the feasibility of

setting up parking spaces for private cars or motorcycles at the passage between Tsuen Wan Multi-storey Carpark Building and Fou Wah Centre, as well as at the open space off Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions Workers' Medical Clinic (Tsuen Wan Branch) a few years ago. The locations concerned were currently enclosed by wire fences. He opined that a small number of additional motorcycle parking spaces could be provided at the aforesaid locations.

36. CTO/NTSW (Atg.) of the TD responded as follows:

- (1) regarding the unsatisfactory service quality of public light bus (PLB) services in Sham Tseng and Tsing Lung Tau caused by insufficient manpower, the TD believed that such problem might be improved upon the recruitment of imported workers by PLB operators. The TD would discuss with PLB operators the need to import foreign labour to ensure sufficient manpower of PLB drivers and enhance service stability; and
- (2) the KMB's "Regional Short-haul Two-way Section Fare Scheme" involved commercial considerations of the company and was usually introduced in conjunction with bus route rationalisation in the district. The TD would convey Members' views on implementing the scheme concerned in Tsuen Wan district to the KMB.

37. E/TW1 of the TD responded as follows:

- (1) the installation of APS required a certain amount of space, but the space on public roads was relatively narrow in general, and factors such as design and cost must be taken into consideration. The TD would keep the situation concerned under review, and had already installed APS in some temporary car parks with more space in the district;
- (2) the TD would adjust the duration of pedestrian traffic light signals in accordance with the established standards to balance traffic efficiency and pedestrian crossing time, and would continue to review the duration of traffic light signals at various crossings;
- (3) the TD had set up 10 more motorcycle parking spaces on Hoi Kwai Road near MTR Tsuen Wan West Station recently. The TD would continue to identify suitable locations in the district and provide additional motorcycle parking spaces on the premise that no adverse impact would be induced to the traffic; and
- (4) the TD noted Members' opinions on the provision of additional motorcycle parking spaces at the passage between Tsuen Wan Multi-storey Carpark Building and Fou Wah Centre, as well as at the open space in the district. The TD would look into the departments overseeing the aforementioned sites and learn about their current uses.

38. The Chairman said that Members could further follow up with the TD on the aforesaid matters after the meeting.

39. Mr YAU Kam-ping said that, as mentioned in the captioned paper, the TD was working with the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (EMSD) to install 100 auxiliary devices that projected red light onto the pedestrian waiting area of pedestrian crossings in various districts across the territory, one of which had been installed at the pedestrian crossing near Tsuen Wan Market Street. He enquired about the distribution of such device among districts in Hong Kong.

40. Mr CHAN Chun-chung said that he had recently received many complaints from residents about lost trips of PLB and bus services as well as poor service attitude of drivers. He understood that some PLB routes were unable to meet the service demand because of the difficulty in recruiting drivers, hence he believed that the importation of foreign labour would help alleviate the problems faced by PLB operators in the district. He enquired about the number of PLB operators who had applied for the importation of foreign labour in the district, and suggested that the TD proactively encourage PLB operators to submit such application so as to provide better PLB services to local residents. Besides, many residents had relayed to him that the position of the gaps in the guard rails on Cheung Shan Estate Road West did not meet the actual needs and had caused inconvenience to passengers taking PLBs thereat. Therefore, he supported the improvement made to the existing PLB pick-up/drop-off point on Cheung Shan Estate Road West by the TD, and suggested that the TD coordinate with PLB drivers to alter the position of the gaps in the guard rails at the location concerned.

41. Mr MOK Yuen-kwan was concerned about the road surface improvement works on Wing Shun Street near Yi Lok Street, and said that the new school premises of C.C.C. Chuen Yuen First Primary School were situated at the location concerned. Since the exit/entrance of the bus terminus was on Yi Lok Street, and the exit/entrance of the car park of Waterside Plaza was next to the aforesaid school premises, the traffic condition at the location concerned was relatively complex. He suggested that the TD strengthen communication with the school and remind the school to get prepared in advance, such as arranging teachers to stand guard outside the school gate when the school term began and reminding parents and students to pay attention to traffic conditions, etc. It was worth noting that in addition to the pedestrian crossing opposite Yan Chai Hospital, the pedestrian crossing near Wing Shun Street and Yi Hong Street was the second location in the district where an auxiliary device that projected red light was installed. However, the device had become malfunctioned shortly after its installation on 2 January 2024, resulting in a temporary suspension of the traffic lights thereat for over three hours. According to the EMSD, the incident had been caused by a difference in voltage between the morning and evening period. The auxiliary device concerned was only put into service again in March. He

advised that the TD and EMSD learn from the experience to avoid sudden breakdowns of traffic lights due to reasons such as insufficient voltage. He also suggested the EMSD deploy manpower to monitor the operation of the aforesaid auxiliary devices closely in the first few days after they were put into service so as to handle emergencies in a timely manner. Lastly, he proposed to the departments concerned that an automatic changeover system should be retrofitted to the auxiliary devices that projected red light. In doing so, the operation system of an auxiliary device would be switched over to the original one automatically in the event of a breakdown to ensure normal operation of traffic lights before the malfunctioned device was repaired.

42. Mr CHU Tak-wing expressed concern over the locations of some stopping points of cross-boundary coaches on narrow streets and near the exit/entrance of car parks in Tsuen Wan town centre. He said that the road on Tak Hoi Street was relatively narrow. Not only was it close to the exit/entrance of the car park of a shopping mall, but many cross-boundary coaches also parked on the road section concerned to wait for passengers. Therefore, it was more susceptible to traffic congestion on weekends and public holidays. Besides, there were a few GMBs stops on the road section of Sha Tsui Road turning into Ham Tin Street. Traffic congestion would occur at the location concerned when some vehicles had to queue up for entering the car park of Bo Shek Mansion. Many passengers were therefore forced to alight from the GMBs on the road. He suggested that the TD review whether the locations of the GMB stops concerned were appropriate. Finally, he opined that the red minibus terminus at Tak Wah Street was under-utilised and proposed that the terminus concerned should be partially converted to a pick-up/drop-off point for other vehicles.

43. Ms LAM Yuen-pun said that the TD had been actively responding to residents' demand for parking spaces. She suggested the TD avoid setting up metered parking spaces at inappropriate locations (such as in front of the residential care homes of the elderly) when providing additional on-street parking spaces, and should take into account the parking space for ambulances and fire appliances, as well as the demand from residents and goods vehicles respectively for carrying out pick-up/drop-off and loading/unloading activities. She said that the car park with APS at Chai Wan Kok Street had been on trial for nearly ten years, yet the parking spaces provided still failed to meet the demand of drivers in Tsuen Wan district. She suggested the TD consider installing the APS at the open-air car park of Tam Ting San Tsuen opposite Yan Chai Hospital Lim Por Yen Secondary School at Tsuen King Circuit, with a view to solving the problem of insufficient parking spaces in the district.

44. Mr KOO Yeung-pong said that he had previously suggested the TD provide additional parking spaces for motorcycles on Hoi Shing Road. The TD had

subsequently set up 10 additional motorcycle parking spaces at the location concerned, but he opined that the open space thereat still had room for designating more parking spaces. He therefore suggested the TD provide more motorcycle parking spaces at the location concerned for motorcycle drivers who would park their vehicles and interchange to the MTR.

45. Mr WONG Wai-kit said that he often received complaints from residents about lost trips or unsatisfactory service quality of GMB and bus services. However, the TD adopted a relatively obsolete approach in monitoring public transport services, such as arranging staff to record the operation data of buses at bus stops at specific times. Taking route no. 234X operated by the KMB as an example, the service of this route experienced a severe problem of lost trips after its service hours had been adjusted. He suggested the department concerned collect data of public transport with more advanced approaches.

46. Mr CHAN Hiu-chun enquired of the TD about the reason for marking a road section of Sha Tsui Road near Wing Fung Industrial Building with single yellow line. He said that the road section concerned was relatively narrow with heavy vehicular traffic. Many goods vehicles, PLBs and private cars would travel via the road section concerned, and it was close to the entry of the flyover towards Tsuen Tak Gardens at Tsuen King Circuit. Since part of the road section concerned was marked with single yellow line, many drivers would park their goods vehicles and carry out loading/unloading activities thereat, obstructing the vehicles behind and causing serious traffic congestion. He suggested that the TD improve the single yellow line road markings at the road section concerned.

47. CTO/NTSW (Atg.) of the TD responded as follows:

- (1) the TD was aware of the challenge of manpower shortage faced by the PLB trade in the district, and some PLB operators had already submitted applications for importing foreign labour. Upon the recruitment of imported workers by some PLB operators, the problems of insufficient manpower and poor service attitude of PLB drivers had seen improvement. As a result, other PLB operators in the trade had been attracted to follow suit and had applied for recruiting imported workers in the second round of applications, with a view to increasing manpower of PLB drivers;
- (2) the TD would review the situation at locations where passengers were forced to board or alight from PLBs on the road due to roadside parking of cross-boundary coaches and PLBs (such as locations on Tak Hoi Street and Tak Wah Street), and would issue advisory letters to the relevant operators of cross-boundary coaches and PLBs;
- (3) the TD would review the utilisation rate of the red minibus terminus at Tak Wah Street and consider how to make full use of the transport

- facilities thereat having regard to the actual circumstances; and
- (4) the TD would closely monitor the bus service of route no. 234X operated by the KMB and look into the feasibility of making adjustments to bus services with the KMB.

48. E/TW2 of the TD responded as follows:

- (1) the first auxiliary device that projected red light in Tsuen Wan was located at the pedestrian crossing opposite Yan Chai Hospital. The TD would gradually install such device in 18 districts across the territory. It would also be installed at three other locations in Tsuen Wan district. The TD would conduct a comprehensive review and install the auxiliary device that projected red light at pedestrian crossings where traffic accidents often occurred or at traffic signal junctions where accidental collisions between vehicles and pedestrians were more frequent in the past;
- (2) according to the plan of the TD, the improvement works of the PLB pick-up/drop-off point on Cheung Shan Estate Road West would be completed as soon as possible within the third quarter of 2024;
- (3) the TD would try its best to improve the traffic facilities on Wing Shun Street before the commencement of the school term, such as replacing the existing railings with some other models and erecting additional traffic signs that indicated the prohibition of the parking of goods vehicles;
- (4) the TD would convey Members' views on the malfunction of the auxiliary device that projected red light to the Traffic Control Division of the TD and EMSD, and would learn from the experience to minimise the occurrence of such incident during the installation of the aforementioned device; and
- (5) the TD had gradually implemented the APS in various districts across the territory on a trial basis. For example, APS had been installed in the temporary car park on Hoi Shing Road. The TD would continue to identify suitable sites (such as a certain area in government premises or temporary car parks) for the installation of APS.

49. E/TW1 of the TD responded as follows:

- (1) since the roads in the urban area of Tsuen Wan were generally narrow, the TD had to consider a host of factors when providing on-street motorcycle parking spaces or designated disabled parking spaces. On the premise that additional parking spaces would not adversely affect the traffic and obstruct the use of facilities (such as the means of access for emergency vehicles and exits/entrance of buildings), the TD would provide additional parking spaces at appropriate locations with high demand;

- (2) as many factory premises were situated on the section of Sha Tsui Road near Wing Fung Industrial Building, most vehicles entering the road section concerned had the needs to pick up/drop off passengers or carry out loading/unloading activities. Therefore, the TD had marked the road section concerned with single yellow line. The TD would mark road sections that had a significant impact on traffic flow (such as the exit/entrance of the flyover at Tsuen King Circuit) with double yellow lines, so as to avoid traffic congestion and inconvenience caused to other vehicles. The TD noted Members' views and would review the markings of the double yellow lines and single yellow line at the location concerned; and
- (3) the TD had set up a few motorcycle parking spaces on Hoi Kwai Road, and would study the feasibility of providing more motorcycle parking spaces at the location concerned. In response to the needs of residents, additional bicycle parking spaces had also been set up thereat. It was necessary for the TD to balance the number of bicycle and motorcycle parking spaces, as well as the amount of space required for pavements at the location concerned.

50. The Chairman said that public transport services was essential to the everyday lives of members of the public. He advised Members to maintain communication with the TD after the meeting and continue to follow up on the matters concerned. Relevant matters could be raised and discussed at the meetings of the TWDC or the Traffic and Transport Committee under the TWDC where necessary.

51. Members noted the captioned paper submitted by the TD.

VII Item 6: Annual Work Plan for Tsuen Wan District 2024/25 by the Housing Department

(TWDC Paper No. 6/24-25)

52. The Chairman invited the Housing Department (HD) to brief Members on the Annual Work Plan for Tsuen Wan District 2024/25. The representative attending the meeting was Mrs LAI CHAN Wai-fan, Clara, Chief Manager/Management (Wong Tai Sin, Tsing Yi and Tsuen Wan) (CM/M(WT&T)), HD.

53. CM/M(WT&T) of the HD introduced the paper.

54. Mr FUNG Cheuk-sum said that some residents had conveyed to him the rapid erosion of soil around trees in Shek Wai Kok Estate. Also, a tree collapse incident had occurred at a location off Chung Shue House in Lei Muk Shue Estate in 2018. As the rainy season was around the corner, he hoped that the Tree Management Unit of the HD would enhance its work on tree management and

conduct regular tree inspections as precautionary measures. Moreover, the Estate Management Advisory Committees (EMACs) had ceased operation. In his opinion, the EMACs had provided an effective channel for residents' representatives to raise management problems of PRH estates. He therefore recommended the reinstatement of the EMACs. Finally, the food waste smart recycling bins (FWSRBs) set up in PRH estates were often out of service due to malfunctions or being fully loaded. He suggested that the HD should request its cleaning service contractors to follow up on this situation.

55. Mr LAU Chung-kong was concerned about recent suicide cases of elders and patients in PRH estates (e.g. Lei Muk Shue Estate) in Tsuen Wan district. He hoped that the HD and the Care Teams would show more care for elderly singletons, organise more promotional activities, and provide psychological counselling services for people in need so that they could relieve their emotions. Moreover, as the rainy season would soon set in, he had conducted an on-site inspection at two schools in Lei Muk Shue Estate to understand the actual situation of mosquito infestation. Given the close proximity of the schools to slopes, both heads had relayed to him their concerns over potential hazard associated with the slopes during the rainy season. He suggested that apart from strengthening its tree management work and addressing slope safety issues, the HD should also prevent pest and mosquito breeding. Finally, he said that some shop operators had not made a timely effort to clear their stuff from commercial premises in PRH estates after moving out, resulting in serious rodent infestation nearby.

56. Mr KOT Siu-yuen thanked the HD for promptly addressing the issues which were previously identified by him and some Members during an on-site inspection at Fuk Loi Estate. Moreover, he said that the EMACs had provided different stakeholders with a significant means of communication in the past. Government departments including the HKPF had also reported on their work at meetings of the EMACs. He suggested that the EMACs should be reinstated to strengthen the communication among Members, the Care Teams and the HD, thereby enhancing the estate management work and services of the HD. Additionally, he was concerned about the ongoing replacement of lifts in Fuk Loi Estate. Fuk Loi Estate had a history of more than 60 years. As many residents of this PRH estate were elders with impaired mobility, he hoped that the replacement of lifts would be completed as soon as possible. Finally, he held that the prevailing Marking Scheme for Estate Management Enforcement (the "Marking Scheme") was not as effective as it should be, and enquired about the number of tenants or licensees whose tenancies or licences had been terminated under the Marking Scheme.

57. CM/M(WT&T) of the HD responded as follows:

- (1) the Tree Management Unit under the HD was responsible for tree maintenance. The HD also engaged professional contractors to

conduct tree risk assessments in all PRH estates under its management annually and to carry out tree pruning and removal;

- (2) the HD noted Members' wish to reinstate the EMACs. Besides, the HD would continue to maintain liaison with residents who were familiar with estate management by, for example, inviting them to serve as PRH Fire Safety Ambassadors and Estate Ambassadors of Environmental Protection. The HD would also canvass residents' views through online channels;
- (3) the HD placed great importance to the hygiene issue of FWSRBs in PRH estates. It would proactively follow up on the situation of FWSRBs being fully loaded. If the residents found that the cleaning service contractors failed to follow up on the cleaning work in a timely manner, they could report such situation to their estate offices;
- (4) most of the buildings in PRH estates were each equipped with three lifts. However, only two lifts were provided at each building in Fuk Loi Estate for the time being. So, when one of the lifts underwent improvement works, residents would have to rely on the remaining lift to travel up and down a building in this PRH estate. The HD would therefore request contractors to maintain sufficient stock of spare parts in order to speed up the repair works;
- (5) to provide tenants with a chance to rectify their bad habits, a warning mechanism was put in place under the Marking Scheme whereby written warnings would first be issued by the HD to tenants who had committed misdeeds of a less serious nature. Penalty points would be allotted to tenants who ignored the warning and repeated the misdeeds. Members would be furnished with the information on the execution of the Marking Scheme after the meeting;
- (6) the HD would work in tandem with local non-governmental organisations (NGOs) or the Care Teams if they had to carry out promotional activities or display publicity materials in PRH estates, thereby strengthening the support network of the community; and
- (7) regarding the problems raised by the Member about mosquito infestation, rodent infestation and slope safety in relation to the two schools in Lei Muk Shue Estate, the HD's staff would contact the schools and provide assistance where necessary.

58. Ms CHAN Shun-shun said that the recycling store of GREEN@COMMUNITY in Shek Wai Kok Estate was currently devoid of a wash basin. She recommended retrofitting this recycling store with a wash basin to facilitate the upkeep of good hand hygiene by residents.

59. Mr CHAN Chun-chung said that trees can offer shade, provide shelter from rain and act as sound barriers. He suggested that the HD should carry out in-situ

replanting after trees died. Moreover, he opined that the EMACs were an important means of communication between the HD and the public. The EMACs did not only serve to distribute information to the public but also to collect their views, facilitating improvement to the HD's work on estate management. Finally, he had received requests for assistance in respect of water seepage in PRH flats which had persisted for one to two years. The affected residents were greatly disturbed. Some residents in question refused to tackle the water seepage problem. He thus suggested that the HD should strengthen the execution of the Marking Scheme to eliminate misdeeds among residents and assist in following up on the relevant cases.

60. CM/M(WT&T) of the HD responded as follows:

- (1) recycling stores of GREEN@COMMUNITY were currently set up in two PRH estates in Tsuen Wan district, namely, Shek Wai Kok Estate and Lei Muk Shue (2) Estate. The HD would follow up on the suggestion for installing a wash basin at an individual recycling point;
- (2) the HD noted the Member's suggestion on replanting trees, and would relay the Member's views to the section concerned; and
- (3) regarding the water seepage problem of individual PRH flats, Members could provide the HD with the relevant information for its follow-up after the meeting. A warning mechanism was put in place under the Marking Scheme. Upon the receipt of written warnings, most of the residents whose flats were allegedly the source of water seepage would generally give permission for the HD to arrange its staff to carry out repairs in their flats. If any of these residents refused to let the HD's staff to enter their flats and carry out repairs, they would be allotted penalty points for committing such misdeeds under the Marking Scheme. The HD would closely follow up on individual cases where residents failed to cooperate with the HD's staff.

61. The Chairman suggested that the HD should give consideration to Members' views. Members could continuously follow up on the issues concerned with the HD. Where necessary, the issues could be further discussed at meetings of the TWDC in the future.

62. Members noted the captioned paper submitted by the HD.

VIII Item 7: Annual Work Plan for Tsuen Wan District 2024/25 by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department

(TWDC Paper No. 7/24-25, 8/24-25 and 9/24-25)

63. The Chairman invited the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) to brief Members on the Annual Work Plan for Tsuen Wan District 2024/25. The representatives attending the meeting were:

- (1) Ms NG Kam-yim, District Leisure Manager (Tsuen Wan) (DLM(TW)),

LCSD;

- (2) Miss LEUNG Wai-nga, Viola, Senior Manager (New Territories South) Promotion (SM(NTS)P), LCSD; and
- (3) Mr LEE Wai-man, Senior Librarian (Tsuen Wan) (SL(TW)), LCSD.

64. DLM(TW), SM(NTS)P and SL(TW) of the LCSD introduced the paper.

65. Ms LAM Yuen-pun said that the surface temperature of open-air facilities made of metal materials (such as benches, children's play equipment and fitness equipment for elderly persons in parks) would become very high under hot weather, thus causing inconvenience to users. She suggested that the LCSD draw reference from the practices in the Mainland and apply thermal insulation coatings to the surfaces of open-air facilities in parks, so as to reduce the surface temperature of such facilities.

66. Mr MOK Yuen-kwan said that the SmartPLAY system newly introduced by the LCSD had allowed members of the public to book venues and facilities more conveniently without having to queue at the booking counters in person. However, since the launch of the SmartPLAY system, many residents residing near Tsuen Wan Riviera Park had relayed to him that the SmartPLAY system only provided the option of booking the entire basketball court. As a result, half of the basketball court often remained idle. He suggested the LCSD review and update the SmartPLAY system, adding an option that allowed users to book only half of the basketball court and releasing the other half of the basketball court for booking by other users, so as to optimise the use of venue resources. In addition, he praised the LCSD for launching the "Umbrellas for Loan by Elderly Park Visitors" Scheme (the "Scheme"). He pointed out that the Scheme had facilitated the borrowing of umbrellas by elderly persons in need, yet it restricted borrowers to using such umbrellas within the park area only and returning them on the same day of borrowing. He suggested that the LCSD should bring in more flexible regulations to further offer convenience to elderly persons, such as allowing borrowers to return the umbrellas on the next day or at other venues under the LCSD. Moreover, he suggested the LCSD extend the Scheme to other venues under the LCSD. Besides, he enquired about how the LCSD would handle cases where elderly persons failed to return the umbrellas in time.

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

- (1) the LCSD would study the feasibility of applying thermal insulation coatings to open-air facilities made of metal materials with the relevant works departments;
- (2) the LCSD thanked Mr MOK Yuen-kwan for liaising with the LCSD on the matter of venue booking and assisting in disseminating information so that members of the public would learn about the booking of the recreational and sports venues under the LCSD. At present, a user

could hire the entire outdoor basketball court free of charge. The LCSD would study whether it was possible to add an option of allowing users to book half of the basketball court in the SmartPLAY system so as to release the other half of the basketball court for booking by other users; and

- (3) the Scheme had been running smoothly in general since its implementation in Shing Mun Valley Park. The LCSD had so far not received any reports of elderly persons failing to return umbrellas in time. The LCSD noted Members' suggestions and would study the possibility of extending the Scheme to other venues under the LCSD.

68. Ms WAH Mei-ling said that serving as the Green Ambassador of Tsuen Wan district, she was much concerned about matters relating to greening in the district. She had visited the Greening Corner in Tsuen Wan Park together with Ms CHAN Shun-shun and Mr LAU Chung-kong, and suggested LCSD organise exhibitions featuring different types of plants or flowers in each season. In addition, she thanked the LCSD for arranging for Members to watch the exciting events of the Hong Kong Games (HKG).

69. Mr WONG Kai-chun said that Tsing Yuen Children's Playground in Tsing Lung Tau had fallen into disrepair that many facilities thereat had been dilapidated and become breeding grounds for mosquitoes. He pointed out that there were inadequate recreational and sports facilities in Tsing Lung Tau. Residents who wanted to use such facilities had to go to Sham Tseng or Tsuen Wan town centre, which was considered inconvenient. He suggested upgrading the facilities at Tsing Yuen Children's Playground, introducing innovative and educational play equipment, and providing a half-sized basketball court or badminton court, with a view to turning it into a quality place for children, families and the elderly to spend their leisure time. Besides, some members of the public had relayed to him that they were not allowed to enter the fitness rooms in the LCSD's sports centres and visit the self-test fitness corner inside without being registered as a user of the fitness rooms. He suggested setting up the self-test fitness corner in public areas with higher visitor flow to facilitate the use of the equipment by members of the public.

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

- (1) the LCSD had all along been endeavoured to showcase the various changes of flowers and plants in the four seasons at the Greening Corner of Tsuen Wan Park, and would continue to make dedicated efforts in planting a variety of flowers and plants with distinctive characteristics and high ornamental value in a greenhouse-like environment;
- (2) the LCSD thanked Members for taking time out of their busy schedules to attend the events and cheering activities of the HKG as well as for

- showing concerted support to the local athletes;
- (3) the LCSD would arrange for a site visit to Tsing Yuen Children's Playground after the meeting to have a better understanding of the condition of the facilities there. Subject to available resources, the LCSD would assess the areas in need of improvement and enhance the facilities under its management through various works programmes; and
 - (4) the LCSD had set up self-test fitness corners in the fitness rooms or at the ground floor lobbies of some of sports centres under its management. Taking Tsuen Wan Sports Centre as an example, the self-test fitness corner thereat was set up at the lobby on the first floor for the convenience of use by the public. The LCSD had noted Members' suggestions and would consider setting up the self-test fitness corner at a more suitable location in sports venues.

71. Ms WONG Shuk-fan, Luparker praised the LCSD for its various work in the aspects of facility management, sports development, art promotion and book promotion. She suggested the LCSD organise more book exhibitions covering topics of national security education, national identity and patriotic education, and invite local students to participate in such events so as to create a strong atmosphere for national education. In addition, she suggested introducing the distinctive attractions of Tsuen Wan district extensively through book exhibitions to enhance the sense of belonging and fulfilment towards Tsuen Wan district among members of the public.

72. Mr NG Chun-yu recognised the work of the LCSD in organising the HKG, and said that local residents had taken pleasure in watching the exciting events of the HKG. Besides, he had visited "Our Common Home" of Caritas Hong Kong located on the fourth floor of Tsuen Wan Market together with other Members earlier. He found that the facilities at the playground on the podium thereat were rather dilapidated. Hence, he suggested the LCSD carry out renovation works or provide additional play equipment.

73. SL(TW) of the LCSD responded that the LCSD would organise a talk and a book exhibition featuring the theme of "Understand the History of the Anti-Japanese War in Hong Kong and Enhance National Feelings" at Tsuen Wan Public Library. The LCSD noted Members' suggestions on organising more book exhibitions with themes related to enhancing national identity.

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

- (1) the LCSD had established distinctive attractions at various locations in Tsuen Wan district, such as the Greening Corner in Tsuen Wan Park and the Lotus Pond in Shing Mun Valley Park. The LCSD would

- continue to set up more unique attractions in the district; and
- (2) regarding the dilapidation of playground facilities on the podium of Tsuen Wan Market, the LCSD would replace or provide additional recreational facilities on the basis of residents' needs and available resources.

75. The Chairman said that a community living room and some facilities operated by a non-governmental organisation were provided on the third and fourth floors of Tsuen Wan Market at present, mainly serving residents of "three-nil" buildings in the district. There were also outdoor spaces on both sides of the podium on the second floor of Tsuen Wan Market, which were managed by the LCSD and FEHD respectively. Representatives from the TWDO had conducted a site visit together with Members, and they had expressed support for the services provided by the organisation concerned. He opined that renovating the facilities at the playground on the podium of Tsuen Wan Market would achieve synergy, allowing the organisation that operated the community living room and the facilities to provide users with a wider variety of activities. He said that Members could put forth views on improving the facilities at the podium playground at Tsuen Wan Market as well as on the planning of the outdoor spaces thereat to the LCSD and FEHD.

76. The Chairman said that if there was a need to further discuss the matters concerned, they could be raised at the meetings of the TWDC or the Community Involvement, Culture and Recreation Committee under the TWDC.

77. Members noted the captioned paper submitted by the LCSD.

IX Item 8: District Work Plan for Tsuen Wan District by the Civil Engineering and Development Department
(TWDC Paper No. 10/24-25)

78. The Chairman invited the CEDD to brief Members on the District Work Plan for Tsuen Wan District 2024/25. The representative attending the meeting was Mr NG Kwok-suen, Carl, SE/10(W), CEDD.

79. SE/10(W) of the CEDD introduced the paper.

80. Mr CHENG Chit-pun said that many Tsuen Wan residents had expressed concern about the project of constructing a cycle track between Tsuen Wan and Tuen Mun. After the announcement of the Budget, the Secretary for Development had mentioned that the completion date of the project concerned had to be postponed. He enquired about the status of the project concerned.

81. Mr CHAN Sung-ip said that the expected completion date of the Site Formation and Associated Infrastructural Works for Development of Columbarium at

Siu Ho Wan on Lantau Island was early 2025. He enquired whether the ancillary transport facilities for the columbarium concerned would be sufficient to cope with the demand by that time to facilitate the access to and from the columbarium by the public. In addition, he had observed that the improvement works at Shek Tsai Wan Pier had been halted by the contractor recently due to a suspected shortage of manpower. He enquired about the status of the project concerned.

82. SE/10(W) of the CEDD responded as follows:

- (1) the CEDD would continue to seek funding approval from the Legislative Council for the project of constructing a cycle track between Tsuen Wan and Tuen Mun so as to commence the relevant design and construction work as soon as possible;
- (2) as for the project of constructing a columbarium at Siu Ho Wan on Lantau Island, the CEDD was mainly responsible for the site formation and associated infrastructural works. The project would then be handed over to the Architectural Services Department for the construction of the columbarium, and to other departments concerned for planning and construction of ancillary transport facilities; and
- (3) regarding the status of the improvement works at Shek Tsai Wan Pier, the CEDD would provide Members with relevant information after the meeting.

83. The Chairman asked the CEDD to follow up on the progress of the improvement works at Shek Tsai Wan Pier raised by Members.

84. Members noted the captioned paper submitted by the CEDD.

(Post-meeting note: The pile foundation works of the improvement works at Shek Tsai Wan Pier had already been completed. The contractor of the project concerned was awaiting the arrival of the precast concrete components for the structure of the pier, which would be shipped to the site for assembly upon completion of their production in the Mainland. The expected completion date of the improvement works remained unchanged.)

X Item 9: Annual Work Plan for 2024/25 by the Tsuen Wan District Office
(TWDC Paper No. 11/24-25)

85. The Chairman asked Mr KWAN Chun-kit, Eric, ADO(TW) of the TWDO, to give Members a briefing.

86. ADO(TW) of the TWDO introduced the paper.

87. Ms WAH Mei-ling suggested that various government departments should

follow up on whether there were any promotional banners celebrating the 74th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China that had not yet been removed at venues under their purview in Tsuen Wan, so as to make room for displaying this year's promotional banners.

88. The Chairman said that the TWDO would follow up on the matter concerned.

89. Members noted the captioned paper submitted by the TWDO.

XI Item 10: Proposal for Work Strategy 2024/25 and All for Integrity Programme Themed "Fighting Corruption: The Mission Continues" for Tsuen Wan District 2024/25 by the Independent Commission Against Corruption Regional Office (New Territories South West)
(TWDC Paper No. 12/24-25)

90. The Chairman said that the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) would brief Members on its work plan in 2024/25. The representatives attending the meeting were:

- (1) Mr Daniel CHUI, Regional Officer/New Territories West (RO/NTW), ICAC; and
- (2) Ms Mani WONG, Community Relations Officer/New Territories South West, ICAC.

91. RO/NTW of the ICAC introduced the paper. He invited Members of the TWDC to visit the headquarters of the ICAC on 17 July 2024, and invited the TWDC to become a supporting organisation of the All for Integrity Programme for Tsuen Wan District 2024/25.

92. Ms LAM Yuen-pun hoped that the ICAC would provide some promotional display boards for the Care Teams to use during activities of the All for Integrity Programme.

93. RO/NTW of the ICAC said that he would follow up on the matter concerned with Members after the meeting.

94. Members noted the captioned paper submitted by the ICAC Regional Office (New Territories South West), and unanimously agreed that the TWDC should become a supporting organisation of the programme concerned.

XII Item 11: Report on the Progress of District Work in Tsuen Wan by Relevant Government Departments for the First Quarter of 2024

95. The Chairman said that the Secretariat had sent the captioned paper (TWDC Paper No. 2/24-25) to Members earlier for their perusal.

96. The Chairman asked whether Members had any other comments on the captioned paper. Members noted the captioned paper.

XIII Item 12: Information Papers

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

(TWDC Paper No. 13/24-25)

97. The Chairman said that the reports on the meetings of the six committees and a working group under the TWDC were set out in TWDC Paper No. 13/24-25.

98. Mr KOT Siu-yuen said that the Food, Environment and Hygiene Committee would visit Organic Resources Recovery Centre Phase 1 on 9 July 2024, and looked forward to the active participation of Members.

99. Members noted the captioned paper.

XIV Item 13: Any Other Business

100. The Chairman said that the TWDC had agreed to establish two non-standing working groups earlier to organise celebratory activities featuring local characteristics for the anniversary of Hong Kong's return to the Motherland and the anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China. They were the Working Group on Celebration of the 27th Anniversary of Hong Kong's Return to the Motherland of the Tsuen Wan District Council, which was chaired by Ms CHAN Shun-shun, and the Working Group on Celebration of the 75th Anniversary of the Founding of the People's Republic of China of the Tsuen Wan District Council, which was chaired by Ms WAH Mei-ling. The two working groups would convene meetings later to discuss the details of various celebratory activities co-organised by the TWDC, TWDO and local organisations. Should there be any relevant important matters, Members could raise them for discussion at the meetings of the TWDC. Members unanimously agreed to the arrangement.

101. The Chairman said that the LCSO would hold the Sport For All Day on 4 August 2024, and a number of recreational and sports activities would be organised across the territory on that day. The LCSO hoped that the TWDC would become a supporting organisation of the Sport For All Day and assist in promotion and publicity of the event concerned. The Chairman asked if Members agreed that the TWDC should become a supporting organisation for the aforementioned event. Members unanimously agreed to the arrangement.

102. DLM(TW) of the LCSO said that the LCSO would open its venues to the public free of charge on the Sport For All Day.

103. The Chairman invited the two Members who served as the Sports

Ambassadors to assist in coordinating the participation of the TWDC on the Sport For All Day, so as to fully promote and support the event concerned.

104. The Chairman said that the Chief Secretary for Administration had announced the Government's enhanced strategies to cope with extreme weather on 16 May 2024. On making effective use of community forces, various District Offices would continue to mobilise DC Members and require them to ensure effective communication between the Government and the people by serving as a connection between the two. Apart from disseminating information to residents, DC Members should also promptly report the situation of their respective sub-districts to the District Offices and relevant departments, as well as undertake the relief work. He hoped that Members would continue to support the Government in giving its best to get the work done.

XV Item 14: Date of Next Meeting

105. The Chairman said that the date of the next meeting was 30 July 2024. According to the Standing Orders, Members who wished to raise an item for discussion at a meeting were required to submit the paper with a notice in writing to the Secretariat ten clear working days before the meeting. Hence, the deadline for submission of papers was 15 July 2024.

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