

**Minutes of the First Meeting of the Seventh Term Yuen Long District Council**  
**Hong Kong Special Administrative Region**

Date: 5 January 2024 (Friday)  
Time: 2:30 p.m. to 5:55 p.m.  
Venue: Conference Room, Yuen Long District Council, 13/F., Yuen Long Government Offices,  
2 Kiu Lok Square, Yuen Long

**Present**

Chairman : Mr WU Tin-yau, Gordon, JP  
Members : Mr MAN Yick-yeung  
Mr MAN Luk-sing, MH  
Mr MAN Ka-ho, Donald, JP  
Mr WONG Wai-leung  
Mr WONG Hiu-shan  
Mr SZE TO Chun-hin  
Ms HO Hiu-man  
Mr YU Chung-leung  
Mr LUI Kin, MH  
Mr LI Kai-lap, Riben  
Ms LI Ching-yee  
Mr SHUM Ho-kit, BBS, JP  
Mr LAM Chung-yin  
Mr LAM Wai-ming  
Mr LAM Tim-fook  
Ms LAM Wai-ming  
Mr YIU Kwok-wai, MH  
Mr SEI Chun-hing  
Mr CHUI Kwan-siu  
Mr TSUI Wai-ngoi  
Ms YUEN Man-yee, MH  
Ms MA Shuk-yin  
Mr CHEUNG Wai-sum  
Mr LEUNG Ming-kin  
Mr LEUNG Yip-pang  
Mr CHONG Kin-shing, MH, JP  
Mr KWOK Wing-cheong  
Mr CHAN Ka-fai  
Ms CHAN Yin-kwan, Yankie  
Mr CHAM Ka-hung, Daniel, BBS, MH, JP  
Mr TONG Tak-chun  
Mr CHING Chan-ming  
Mr FUNG Chun-wing  
Mr WONG Yuen-tai, MH  
Mr WONG Siu-chung  
Ms WONG Wai-ling  
Mr WONG Wing-ho, Allan  
Ms CHIU Sau-han, MH  
Ms LAU Kwai-yung  
Mr TANG Che-keung, MH  
Mr TANG Sin-hang  
Mr TANG Ho-nin, MH  
Mr TANG Yung-yiu, Ronnie

Ms LAI Yuet-kwan, Fennie  
Mr TAM Tak-hoi  
Mr SO Yuen

Secretary: Ms TAM Yu-yan, Maggie Senior Executive Officer (District Council),  
Yuen Long District Office  
Assistant Secretary: Miss WONG Cheuk-ying, Cherry Executive Officer I (District Council),  
Yuen Long District Office

In Attendance

Mr CHAN Park-sun, Sunny Assistant District Officer (Yuen Long)1  
Miss ONG Kei-hang, Chelsea Assistant District Officer (Yuen Long)2  
Ms TSUI King-ha, Louisa Acting Senior Liaison Officer (1),  
Yuen Long District Office  
Ms CHUI Po-ling, Polly Senior Liaison Officer (2),  
Yuen Long District Office  
Ms OR Lai-kum, Christina Senior Liaison Officer (3),  
Yuen Long District Office  
Mr LAU Hiu-lap, Frederick Senior Liaison Officer (4),  
Yuen Long District Office  
Mr NG Kam-leung, Julian Chief Engineer/West 1,  
Civil Engineering and Development Department  
Mr CHAN Chak-sum, Jason District Lands Officer/Yuen Long (District Lands  
Office, Yuen Long), Lands Department  
Mr CHU Lap-hung Administrative Assistant/Lands (District Lands Office,  
Yuen Long), Lands Department  
Mr WONG Chun-hung, Samuel Chief Manager/Management (Tuen Mun & Yuen  
Long), Housing Department  
Mrs SHEK CHAN Lai-wah, Judy District Social Welfare Officer (Yuen Long),  
Social Welfare Department  
Mr LEE Kam-ho, Edwin District Environmental Hygiene  
Superintendent (Yuen Long),  
Food and Environmental Hygiene Department  
Mr WONG Ka-keung, Wilson Acting District Commander (Yuen Long),  
Hong Kong Police Force  
Ms SIN Ka-yiu Police Community Relations Officer  
(transliteration) (Yuen Long), Hong Kong Police Force  
Mr YAU Sai-yuen District Leisure Manager (Yuen Long),  
Leisure and Cultural Services Department  
Ms CHAN Siu-lan Deputy District Leisure Manager  
(District Support) Yuen Long,  
Leisure and Cultural Services Department  
Ms POON Yuk-cheung Senior School Development Officer (Yuen Long)4,  
Education Bureau  
Mr AU Hei-fan, Raymond District Planning Officer/Tuen Mun & Yuen Long  
West, Planning Department  
Mr CHEUNG Chi-yeung, Fabian Chief Transport Officer/New Territories North West,  
Transport Department

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## **Opening Remarks**

The Chairman welcomed Members and department representatives to the first meeting of the seventh term Yuen Long District Council (“YLDC”).

2. The Chairman said the seventh term YLDC Standing Orders (“Standing Orders”) had been placed on the seats of Members for their reference. In accordance with Order 35 of the Standing Orders, he reminded that all Members, attendees, public officers and other persons invited to meetings, and persons observing meetings had to observe order and should not act or behave in such a way as to disrupt the proceedings of the meetings.

### **Item I: Chairman’s welcome remarks and appointment of Secretary of the YLDC**

3. The Chairman congratulated District Councillors on becoming Members of the seventh term YLDC. The reformed District Council (“DC”) would herald a new chapter as 46 Members coming from different backgrounds and sectors would bring in more new ideas to the table and give full play to their pivotal role as a connection between the Government and the people, thereby ensuring effective communication between the two. Also, government department representatives, such as those from the Civil Engineering and Development Department, District Lands Office, Yuen Long, Housing Department, Social Welfare Department (“SWD”), Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (“FEHD”), Hong Kong Police Force (“HKPF”), Leisure and Cultural Services Department (“LCSD”), Education Bureau, Planning Department and Transport Department, were welcome to participate in the work of DC. Through close co-operation with Members and government departments, he hoped the new-term YLDC would work towards bringing a greater sense of happiness and contentment in the district by actively addressing the most imminent concerns of local residents and improving their livelihood.

4. To take forward the work of the YLDC, the Chairman announced the appointment of Senior Executive Officer (District Council) of the Yuen Long District Office (“YLDO”) as Secretary of the seventh term YLDC in accordance with Section 69 of the District Councils Ordinance.

### **Item II: Registration and declaration of interests by DC Members**

5. The Chairman stated that Members should register and declare their interests in accordance with Part B of the Standing Orders and the Performance Monitoring Guidelines for Members of the District Councils (“Guidelines”). He invited the Secretary to brief Members on the relevant arrangements.

6. Quoting paragraph 12 of the Guidelines, the Secretary said each Member should submit to the DC Secretary a registration form with particulars of his/her registrable interests within one month after the commencement of each term, and should there be any change in such registrable interests, a Member should submit to the DC Secretary an updated registration form within 14 clear working days of any such change. Each Member had been provided with a registration form on personal interests, and they were reminded to submit a completed registration form to the Secretariat on time. Such forms would be uploaded onto the website of the YLDC for public inspection. The Secretary also drew Members’ attention to the requirements on acceptance of advantages as set out in paragraphs 13 and 14 of the Guidelines.

**Item III: Committees and Working Groups under the seventh term YLDC  
(YLDC Paper No. 1/2024)**

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7. The Chairman referred Members to the revised Paper No. 1 tabled at the meeting, which contained the terms of reference, tenure of office and composition of Committees and Working Groups under the seventh term YLDC as well as the appointment of Chairmen and Vice Chairmen of Committees and the appointment of Chairman of Working Group. He invited the Secretary to brief Members on the paper.

8. The Secretary advised that eight Committees and one Working Group were to be formed under the seventh term YLDC. On 29 December 2023, the Secretariat sent an invitation email to Members for joining these Committees and Working Group. Details of their terms of reference, Chairmen, Vice Chairmen and membership lists were at Annexes 1 to 10. Members who wished to join/withdraw from a Committee and/or a Working Group in future should notify the Secretariat in writing. In accordance with Order 70 of the Standing Orders, each DC Member should join at least three Committees/Working Groups of the DC.

**Item IV: Schedule of meetings for the YLDC and its Committees in 2024  
(YLDC Paper No. 2/2024)**

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9. The Chairman referred Members to Paper No. 2, which contained the schedule of meetings for the seventh term YLDC and its Committees in 2024 and the arrangements for attendance of DC Members. He invited the Secretary to brief Members on the paper.

10. The Secretary advised that, generally speaking, a Full Council meeting would be scheduled on a Tuesday afternoon of an odd month, whereas a Committee meeting would be scheduled on a Monday/Tuesday/Thursday/Friday afternoon of an even month. Details of the schedule of meetings for the YLDC, its Committees and Working Group were at Annex. Members were reminded to attend meetings punctually and avoid leaving in the middle of the meeting. Quoting paragraph 15 of the Guidelines, the Secretary said the annual attendance rate of a Member at meetings of the DC or its Committees/Working Groups should not be lower than 80%, and details of Members' attendance would be uploaded onto the DC website for public inspection. She also drew Members' attention to Standing Order 64 which set out the procedures for application for absence from a meeting and its approval, and Standing Order 65 which provided for disqualification of a DC Member from holding office due to absence from DC meetings.

**Item V: "Meet-the-Public Scheme"  
(YLDC Paper No. 3/2024)**

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11. The Chairman referred Members to Paper No. 3, which was about the "Meet-the-Public Scheme" of the seventh term YLDC and its relevant arrangements. He invited the Secretary to brief Members on the paper.

12. The Secretary advised that the "Meet-the-Public Scheme" of the YLDC would start from 17 January 2024 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on every Wednesday at the YLDC office. DC Members would be on rotational duty in pairs. She referred Members to the duty roster for 2024 at the annex. Members should post their duty dates at their offices. Should a Member be unable to perform duty on a scheduled date due to other commitments, he/she might swap his/her duty date with other Members. In that case, after reaching an agreement, Members should notify the Secretariat in writing at least one week before the original duty date so as to update the duty roster on DC website.

13. Mr YIU Kwok-wai, MH enquired whether it was necessary for the public to make advance appointments and whether the YLDC Secretariat would provide any assistance to Members on duty.

14. The Chairman said the public could visit the YLDC office to meet with Members on duty at the specified time and date of the “Meet-the-Public Scheme” without an appointment. He therefore reminded Members that they should be committed to their duties and provide assistance to members of the public visiting at the specified time. Also, while the YLDC Secretariat would provide a meeting venue and prepare duty rosters, Members should take care of matters concerning meeting with the public.

### **Discussion Items**

#### **Item VI: Study on issues of community concern and collection of public views (YLDC Paper No. 4/2024)**

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15. The Chairman referred Members to Paper No. 4 and invited Mr Sunny CHAN, Assistant District Officer (Yuen Long)1, to brief Members on the paper.

16. Mr Sunny CHAN introduced the paper on “Study on issues of community concern and collection of public views”.

17. Citing the long-standing environmental hygiene problem caused by feral pigeons in Yuen Long and Tin Shui Wai, Mr SZE TO Chun-hin hoped the Government would curb the feeding of feral pigeons in public places through inter-departmental joint operations. Also, he hoped the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department (“AFCD”) would assist in clearing the nests of feral pigeons found in air-conditioner hoods of buildings to improve the hygiene conditions.

18. Mr Daniel CHAM, BBS, MH, JP commended the “Government Programme on Tackling Hygiene Black Spots” for its effectiveness in improving the townscape of Yuen Long Town. Nonetheless, he said there was still room for improvement for the situation of unauthorised shop-front extension in some areas of Tin Shui Wai. Moreover, he opined that the District-led Actions Scheme (“DAS”) had thwarted illegal parking of bicycles at black spots with noticeable results. For example, the Government carried out exemplary strict enforcement at the cycle track outside Locwood Court on Tin Yiu Road in Tin Shui Wai, where illegal parked bicycles were removed immediately. He suggested similar enforcement operations be mounted at other black spots to achieve a deterrent effect. Furthermore, he was concerned about the hygiene conditions of Refuse Collection Points (“RCPs”) in rural areas after implementation of Municipal Solid Waste Charging (“MSW Charging”).

19. Mr SHUM Ho-kit, BBS, JP favoured the proposal that hygiene issues in Yuen Long District be included as a subject for district consultation. To facilitate district consultation by Members, he enquired whether the YLDO would provide its community halls for use by Members as a venue to hold residents’ meetings.

20. Mr YIU Kwok-wai, MH agreed that district hygiene should be put forward for district consultation as the first batch of issues of community concern. Also, he opined that ‘Impact of electric mobility devices (“EMDs”) on pedestrian safety’ might continue to be a subject for consultation in

future.

21. Mr WONG Yuen-tai, MH expressed concern about the hygiene problem caused by faecal droppings of feral pigeons. As the peak season of avian influenza had begun, he urged the FEHD and AFCDC to pay more attention to black spots where faecal droppings of feral pigeons abounded, particularly in the areas of Fung Ting Court, Yee Fung Garden and Yuen Long Jockey Club Town Square.

22. Mr TANG Ho-nin, MH said the effectiveness of FEHD's previous work was obvious to all. He expected to see an increase in workload of the FEHD arising from MSW Charging. He suggested installation of closed circuit televisions ("CCTVs") at hygiene black spots to assist law enforcement after implementation of MSW Charging.

23. Mr SO Yuen said as public places were being managed by different government departments, it was difficult for the public to identify the responsible department(s) when they intended to lodge a complaint about feeding of feral pigeons, especially when the case involved private land such as shopping malls. He suggested that the Government should make co-ordination and assign the problem of feeding feral pigeons to a single department for handling.

24. In view of the local hygiene conditions being seriously affected by feral pigeons, Mr SEI Chun-hing suggested setting up a working group to work out long-term solutions.

25. Ms WONG Wai-ling suggested that the Government should strengthen grass cutting work, particularly along Tin Shui Road and Tin Wing Road, with the aim of improving local landscape.

26. Mr Allan WONG said the number of hygiene black spots in the district might increase following the implementation of MSW Charging. As there were different types of residential buildings in Yuen Long District, such as village houses, public rental housing estates and "three-nil" buildings, he suggested that the Government should draw reference from relevant practices in Mainland cities and contemplate suitable monitoring mechanisms for different types of housing to assist law enforcement.

27. Mr LAM Wai-ming suggested that the Government should strengthen co-operation with Owners' Corporations, so that law enforcement officers might prosecute residents in housing estates, especially Tenants Purchase Scheme estates, for causing environmental hygiene problems.

28. Mr LUI Kin, MH supported the YLDC putting hygiene black spots in the district among the first batch of issues of its concern. He said the Government's efforts in combating hygiene black spots in the past six months had been effective, and thanked the FEHD for its work to improve the hygiene conditions in the district. Separately, he enquired about the timeframe for handling the proposed issue of community concern and whether other issues of concern would be put forward in future for early commencement of preparations by Members.

29. Mr LEUNG Ming-kin seconded the proposed issue. He relayed that some hygiene black spots in rural areas were not even provided with public litter bins, and suggested that the FEHD should step up cleaning of these areas. Moreover, he said the inadequate number of cycle tracks in rural areas, coupled with a limited number of public bicycle parking spaces, had resulted in a serious problem of illegal parking of bicycles. Furthermore, he suggested that the Government should perform sterilisation surgeries on more feral pigeons in order to contain their reproduction.
30. Ms Fennie LAI supported the paper. She relayed that inadequate dust control measures and a lack of large-scale floor cleaning operation at construction sites in the district had caused dust nuisance to nearby residents and vehicles. In addition, she noticed that there was refuse left overnight at many footbridges in the district and refuse was found accumulated in some planters managed by the LCSD, affecting environment hygiene.
31. Mr LEUNG Yip-pang was concerned about the problem of water dripping from air-conditioners in the district, and hoped that the Government could strengthen law enforcement.
32. Mr WONG Siu-chung said vegetation in public places of Yuen Long District fell under purview of different departments, and departments would only perform grass cutting work in areas under their purview. To optimise the use of resources, he suggested that grass cutting work be undertaken by a single department.
33. Mr CHUI Kwan-siu supported putting hygiene black spots in the districts among the first batch of key issues of the YLDC. He suggested that the Government should make effective publicity and education efforts on MSW Charging while combating hygiene black spots, citing concerns about the worsening of illegal dumping in rural areas and remote places after implementation of MSW Charging.
34. Ms LAM Wai-ming agreed that priority should be given to addressing hygiene issues in Yuen Long District, saying it was in line with the views she had collected from residents earlier on. She anticipated an increased occurrence of unauthorised shop-front extension at the approach of Lunar New Year and suggested that the Government take greater heed of the problem.
35. Mr TAM Tak-hoi agreed that combating hygiene black spots should be among the first batch of key issues of the YLDC. He suggested the YLDC might as well pay attention to other district issues, such as the recent surge in youth suicides, which might be attributable to the deteriorated mental health of the youth after the pandemic. In this connection, he suggested that the YLDC should discuss topics on how to enhance mental health of residents in the district.
36. Ms HO Hiu-man suggested that the Government should perform regular grass cutting work in rural areas and draw up a timetable for grass cutting work, rather than acting on complaints only.
37. Ms LAU Kwai-yung seconded the paper. She suggested that the problem of water dripping from air-conditioners be put among the issues of community concern, and that the problem should be dealt with by inter-departmental joint operations.

38. A consolidated reply provided by Mr Edwin LEE of the FEHD was as follows:

- (1) He said the FEHD's efforts in combating unauthorised shop-front extension with the Police had paid off and thanked Members for recognising the outcome. There was a noticeable improvement in the situation of unauthorised shop-front extension after the relevant fixed penalty had been raised to \$6,000. The FEHD would continue to step up enforcement actions to improve the environment hygiene in the district;
- (2) The FEHD currently issued fixed penalty notices to bird feeders for dirtying public places in accordance with the Fixed Penalty (Public Cleanliness and Obstruction) Ordinance. To address dirtying of public places by bird-feeding, the FEHD and District Offices would display warning banners and install CCTVs at bird-feeding black spots, while plainclothes officers would also be deployed to conduct inspections and prosecute offenders. On the other hand, the Government was seeking to amend the legislation on feeding of feral pigeons by extending the existing ban on feeding of wild animals to cover feral pigeons, and raising the penalty from a fine of \$10,000 to a fine of \$100,000 and a year's imprisonment, which was expected to take effect from August next year; and
- (3) As regards the problem of water dripping from air-conditioners in the district, the FEHD would discuss the details with the Members concerned after the meeting.

39. A conclusion drawn by the Chairman was as follows:

- (1) Members' support on selecting district hygiene improvement as the first consultation subject of the YLDC had been noted. Members were invited to consult local residents and stakeholders on the hygiene black spots in the district and submit the results of the consultation exercise, including the consultation channels, consultees and consultation result, to the Secretariat within one and a half month. Members might decide their own consultation methods to gauge views of more stakeholders. District Offices and relevant departments would make reference to the lists of hygiene black spots obtained from the consultation in considering taking appropriate actions against those hygiene black spots which were of greater concern to the public. Where necessary, the lists would be provided to the Food, Environment and Hygiene Committee and the District Facilities and Works Committee under the YLDC for further deliberation;
- (2) Given the variety of hygiene black spots, the time required to deal with this issue would be subject to the outcome of district consultation of Members. After dealing with this issue, the YLDC might proceed with the study of other district issues;
- (3) District Offices would render active support when Members made application for the use of the community halls/community centres for holding consultation sessions, subject to the actual hiring conditions of the venues concerned. Members might submit an application in their own names in accordance with the Guidelines on the Use of Facilities Available in Community Halls/Community Centres;
- (4) The Government would implement the MSW Charging this year. Relevant departments were pressing ahead with publicity and education efforts, and would send representatives to attend DC meetings in due course to elaborate on the MSW Charging. It was hoped that Members could assist in publicising the MSW Charging in the district;
- (5) Relevant departments might not be able to arrange regular grass cutting for all areas under



their purview due to the constraints of resources. Nonetheless, he wished to collect local views from this consultation exercise whereby deployment of resources could be prioritised for locations of greater concern to the public;

- (6) Members' appreciation and recognition for the effectiveness of "Government Programme on Tackling Hygiene Black Spots" had been noted; and
- (7) Both combating illegal parking of bicycles and increasing provision of bicycle parking spaces fell under the scope of the DAS directed by the YLDO. It would draw reference from the results of this consultation exercise and determine the priority for handling the relevant black spots having regard to the situation of illegal parking of bicycles and availability of resources.

**Item VII: Specific proposals for launching the following activities before Lunar New Year:  
(a) Caring Campaigns in 18 Districts with Care Teams; and (b) District Clean-up Campaign with the FEHD  
(YLDC Paper No. 5/2024)**

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40. The Chairman referred Members to Paper No. 5 and invited Mr Sunny CHAN, Assistant District Officer (Yuen Long) 1 and Mr Edwin LEE of the FEHD to brief Member on the paper.

41. Mr Sunny CHAN and Mr Edwin LEE presented the paper on "Specific proposals for launching the following activities before Lunar New Year: (a) Caring Campaigns in 18 Districts with Care Teams; and (b) District Clean-up Campaign with the FEHD".

42. Mr YU Chung-leung suggested that the District Clean-up Campaign should be extended to include highways in the district. In particular, the Fairview Roundabout and Tai Tong Roundabout were littered with small stones that could damage windscreens if they were thrown up by passing vehicles. He suggested that the departments concerned enhance their efforts to clear the road surface of litter, including glass bottles.

43. Mr YIU Kwok-wai, MH declared that he was the Captain of the Wang Yat Caring Team in the Yuen Long District and supported the said Caring Campaign. He suggested that the FEHD enhance the cleaning of litter bins which were often overflowing and littered with cigarette butts at bus stops and light rail stations in the district during the year-end clean-up campaign. He also suggested enhancing the cleaning in places where cardboard work was undertaken and in places where food waste and rubbish were disposed of by restaurants.

44. Mr WONG Yuen-tai, MH enquired about how to liaise and work with the Care Teams for launching the Caring Campaign.

45. Mr Ronnie TANG enquired about the possibility of utilising Care Team resources to carry out minor improvement works to address chronic sewage accumulation in a drain not maintained by the Government located near a village house in the district.

46. Mr Allan WONG said that the early closure of RCPs had caused some restaurants to dispose of their food waste the following day, which raised hygiene concerns. He suggested that the

FEHD extend the opening hours of RCPs to allow restaurants to dispose of their food waste on the same day.

47. Mr LEUNG Ming-kin declared that he was a member of the Shap Pat Heung East Care Team in the Yuen Long District. He enquired about the matching arrangement of Caring Campaign between DC Members and Care Teams, and suggested that the FEHD should deal with rodent infestations in both public and private housing estates during the District Clean-up Campaign, despite the fact that the places concerned were not under its purview. He added that the FEHD should also take charge of rural mosquito control during the campaign.

48. Ms LAM Wai-ming declared that she was the Captain of the Fung Nin Care Team in the Yuen Long District. With her Care Team scheduled to perform cleaning work in “three-nil” buildings in the district, she suggested the FEHD co-ordinate a date for cleaning operation with her Care Team ahead to avoid duplicating resources.

49. Mr Sunny CHAN, Assistant District Officer (Yuen Long) 1, explained that the Caring Campaign was a collaborative endeavour. He acknowledged the input from Members regarding the specific arrangements for the campaign. The YLDO would finalise the co-ordination and matching details for various parties after the meeting.

50. A consolidated reply provided by Mr Edwin LEE of the FEHD was as follows:

- (1) The FEHD would reinforce the action guidelines by deploying staff to intensify the cleaning of litter bins at bus stops and light rail stations, cardboard removal areas, and food waste and rubbish collection areas for restaurants in the district;
- (2) During the 21-day year-end clean-up campaign, RCPs across the district would be open for 24 hours. The FEHD would review proposals to extend their opening hours, taking into account staffing arrangements and potential impact on nearby residential areas; and
- (3) The FEHD would advise to allocate resources to rodent control as a priority during the year-end clean-up campaign based on a low ovitrap index observed during the winter. Resources would then be deployed for mosquito control at the approach of the summer.

51. A consolidated reply provided by the Chairman was as follows:

- (1) The Highways Department (“HyD”) was responsible for the cleaning work on highways. Members were advised to provide details on areas where cleaning was required for referral to the HyD for follow-up action; and
- (2) Care Teams were required to adhere to the approved service proposals if care team resources were to be utilised for any improvement works. Revisions to the proposals could be submitted to the YLDO if additional projects were to be undertaken.

**Item VIII: Specific proposals for activities to promote economic development in the district (YLDC Paper No. 6/2024)**

52. The Chairman referred Members to Paper No. 6 and invited Mr Sunny CHAN, Assistant

District Officer (Yuen Long) 1, to present the paper.

53. Mr Sunny CHAN presented a paper titled “Specific Proposals for Activities to Promote Economic Development in the District”.

54. Mr Daniel CHAM, BBS, MH, JP said that the Tin Hau Festival was a major attraction in Yuen Long District, with its unique local characteristics, it was a much more appealing event when compared to those in other districts. He suggested that the festival be nominated for inclusion in the Hong Kong or National Intangible Cultural Heritage List as an iconic event for Yuen Long District. Besides, he suggested that decorations used in the dragon and lion dances, as well as the flower cannons, should be publicly displayed after the Tin Hau Festival parade to create photo-worthy landmarks and facilitate the organisation of a bazaar to attract visitors from all over Hong Kong to Yuen Long. He also suggested setting up another Lunar New Year flower market at a convenient location near the Yuen Long town centre, such as Long Ngai Path, On Hing Playground or Kau Yuk Road, in addition to the existing Tung Tau flower market, so as to attract visitors and boost economy.

55. Mr YU Chung-leung suggested that the planning of “Night Vibes” activities in Yuen Long should take into account local characteristics and visitor traffic arrangements. He recommended organising in-depth tours to showcase the cultural features of Yuen Long. For example, visitors could start at Man Tin Cheung Park, cycle to Nam Sang Wai and Tsim Bei Tsui, have lunch at Lau Fau Shan, and head to Ha Pak Nai to watch the sunset.

56. Mr Ronnie TANG opined that there were not enough parking spaces in the Yuen Long District to cope with the influx of visitors during the activities. He suggested minimising parking inconvenience for visitors either by building smart multi-storey car parks with reference to those in Japan, or by discussing with the Police the possibility of providing temporary car parks.

57. Mr WONG Yuen-tai, MH agreed that itineraries for tourists could be designed by combining cultural attractions and culinary specialties in Yuen Long to boost the local economy. However, he was concerned that the parking spaces for large vehicles, such as coaches, were at a distance from target attractions in the district, this might drive tour groups to visit other districts that were more well-connected in transport.

58. Mr LEUNG Ming-kin suggested integrating elements of street culture and extreme sports into photo-taking landmarks to attract young people. He suggested organising e-sports events with themes of football, basketball, or car racing. He also recommended introducing green minibus routes to various monuments and scenic spots around the Yuen Long District as well as eco-tours around Nam Sang Wai.

59. Mr CHAN Ka-fai opined that local economic development activities should feature the uniqueness of Yuen Long, such as dragon and lion dance performances, flower cannons, local village culture and the Tin Hau Festival parade. He mentioned that the recent centenary celebrations of the Yuen Long Kai-fong Ten-Year Jew and the Village Lion Dance Competition had attracted many tourists to Yuen Long. In addition, he suggested holding a dragon and lion dance parade featuring LED decorations in celebration of the 75<sup>th</sup> National Day, this would also echo with the “Night Vibes” theme.

60. Mr TONG Tak-chun expressed concern that the photo-taking landmarks might only attract visitors but not business, he proposed holding events with a unique Yuen Long theme, such as a traditional costume event that combined traditional culture with innovation and creativity to attract tourists. He opined that the proposal of “Night Vibes Vouchers” would only encourage short-term consumption, businesses should focus on selling high-quality and attractive products in order to maintain a competitive edge in the long term.

61. Mr SHUM Ho-kit, BBS, JP said that revitalising Hong Kong’s economy was a challenging task due to various external factors, including interest rate hikes, declines in the property and stock markets, and labour shortages that resulted in increased production costs. He opined that consumer vouchers alone would not be enough to provide a structural boost to the economy. He suggested exploring more historic buildings in Yuen Long and promoting them with a modern twist, such as the recent street dance performance at the Ha Tsuen Ancestral Hall, so as to attract visitors.

62. Mr WONG Siu-chung said Yuen Long had a unique charm, citing the recent successful carnival in Ha Tsuen as an example. However, he suggested that the law enforcement agencies should strive to balance the needs of all parties involved when carrying out their duties at the scene. He cited the Kam Sheung Road flea market as an example of how Yuen Long benefitted from its location, and suggested extending the market’s opening hours and organising performance shows to broaden its appeal.

63. Ms WONG Wai-ling said that due to the limited night-time activities in Yuen Long, it was crucial to locate a suitable venue for “Night Vibes” activities that did not disturb the nearby residential areas. However, she believed that the Yuen Long District had the potential to offer vibrant daytime and nighttime activities, and agreed that activities showcasing its uniqueness and distinctive qualities should be launched. She suggested adding a sightseeing bus route to cover historic sites in Yuen Long.

64. Mr SZE TO Chun-hin agreed to the proposal to add a bus route covering heritage sites in Yuen Long which allowed tourists to stop by at every scenic spots for sightseeing. Also, he recommended promoting night markets in Yuen Long, citing the success of the Ha Tsuen Carnival in attracting visitors from other parts of the district, and said the FEHD should relax restrictions on relevant licence applications.

65. Mr TSUI Wai-ngo highlighted the importance of clearly defining the objectives and positioning of activities aimed at promoting economic development in the district. He also emphasised the significance of sustainability in developing the local economy to attract tourists from other districts, the Mainland, and abroad. Considering Yuen Long’s diverse cultural and culinary offerings, he recommended that the carnival showcase not only food but also traditional and intangible cultural elements, with a particular emphasis on Yuen Long’s unique local flavours. Additionally, transportation concerns should be taken into account, and the interests of all stakeholders should be balanced. Lastly, he recommended strengthening co-operation with the Mainland Authorities to attract tourists in Greater Bay Area to Hong Kong.

66. Mr YIU Kwok-wai, MH suggested opening the parking spaces at Wetland Park for public

use at night to optimise land use, and offering free open-top bus tours of Yuen Long's attractions to entice more tourists. He expected these measures could improve transportation convenience and generate revenue. To encourage day visitors to Wetland Park to stay longer and boost the local economy, he recommended staging evening and night activities at Tin Sau Road Park, where nearby facilities included a large football pitch, several basketball courts, Tin Sau Market and a hotel. However, he had doubts about the effectiveness of "Night Vibes Vouchers" as a stimulus to local economic development.

67. Ms LAU Kwai-yung seconded the Members' proposals to boost tourism in the Yuen Long District. In particular, she recommended enhancing the promotion and marketing of scenic spots and cultural characteristics, upgrading tourist facilities such as transportation and public restrooms, and improving the hospitality skills of local restaurants. Besides, she suggested that the Working Group on Boosting Local Economy plan a travel guide or tips for Yuen Long and make use of social media platforms such as Little Red Book for publicity purpose.

68. Mr WONG Wai-leung suggested enhancing the promotion of in-depth tours of Yuen Long to Mainland tourists through online platforms such as TikTok or Little Red Book. He pointed out that if "Night Vibes" activities failed to generate enough sales due to Hong Kong's labour shortage, businesses might need to incur additional staff costs.

69. Ms CHIU Sau-han, MH proposed a sightseeing bus route to connect various scenic spots and restaurants in the Yuen Long District. She believed that economic promotion proposals should be sustainable and inclusive, catering to visitors from other parts of the city as well as tourists from the Greater Bay Area.

70. Mr SEI Chun-hing proposed developing a new economic model to benefit the local economy through culture, sports, and the arts. He recommended that Yuen Long participate in the organisation of the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area Culture and Arts Festival and strive to host major sporting events, such as drone racing, to stimulate economic growth in different industries, such as hotel, catering and retail. He emphasised the importance of devising strategies to attract Hong Kong residents or even Mainland tourists to spend in Hong Kong. He also suggested promoting local shopping malls and organising events, such as basketball games.

71. In conclusion, the Chairman acknowledged the proposals made by Members to promote economic development in the district. These proposals included recognising the district's local characteristics, ensuring sustainability, and promoting the district to attract visitors from other districts and Mainland tourists, thereby stimulating the local economy. The Yuen Long Vibes Mart marked the beginning of YLDO's endeavours to boost local economic development in Yuen Long District. Measures suggested by Members on promoting long-term local economic development could be further discussed in the Working Group on Boosting the Local Economy.

**Item IX: Initiatives related to DCs in the Policy Address – Proposals for setting up distinctive photo-taking landmarks with district characteristics (YLDC Paper No. 7/2024)**

72. The Chairman referred Members to Paper No. 7 and invited Mr Sunny CHAN, Assistant District Officer (Yuen Long) 1, to brief Members on the paper.

73. Mr Sunny CHAN briefed Members on the paper “Initiatives related to District Councils in the Policy Address – Proposals for setting up distinctive photo-taking landmarks with district characteristics”.

74. Mr Allan WONG said Yuen Long District possessed the conditions for the development of green lifestyle local tours at potential spots such as Ha Pak Nai, Wetland Park, Kai Shan and Nam Sang Wai, and there would be a sustainable conservation area in the future Northern Metropolis. Besides, he proposed an effective use of different social platforms such as Little Red Book to publicise tourist information about Yuen Long. He also suggested designing a mascot of Yuen Long for tourists to search for its presence in various places across Yuen Long District by integrating augmented reality (“AR”) technology.

75. Mr WONG Yuen-tai, MH proposed a dragon-themed lighting decorations to be installed at Yuen Long Nullah. He considered that the expenditure involved to be minimal and the lighting decorations could attract tourists to take photos there.

76. Ms Yankie CHAN expressed concern that the elderly might not know how to apply the AR technology and suggested placing 3D imagery featuring mini games like aeroplane chess or vibrant colours on the pavement on both sides of the Yuen Long Nullah.

77. Mr SEI Chun-hing enquired about the idea of choosing the Yuen Long Nullah as a photo-taking landmark. He proposed collaborations with the Antiquities and Monuments Office to organise heritage tours with the aid of AR technology in recounting the historical stories in order to enhance public understanding of the cultural history of Yuen Long. Regarding the proposal of displaying artworks, he knew that an artworks had been installed in Tuen Mun Park in Tuen Mun District. He suggested an evaluation on the project’s effectiveness before giving consideration to launch a similar one in Yuen Long. Lastly, he suggested drawing reference from overseas about staging regular night-time performance in Yuen Long District and extending invitations to schools or organisations to perform.

78. Ms MA Shuk-yin said that the photo-taking landmark and the “Night Vibes” activities could attract tourists to spend in Yuen Long and thus promoted local economy. She was in favour of placing 3D imagery of scenic spots in Yuen Long stretching from footbridges in the district to the Yuen Long Nullah so as to connect different photo-taking landmarks. A flower cannon, the most distinctive characteristic of Yuen Long, would be placed at the end of the nullah.

79. Mr MAN Luk-sing, MH said that the ancestral halls of the six Heungs embodied a long history and ancestral halls with three-hall structure and two internal courtyards were unique in San Tin Heung and Ping Shan Heung in Hong Kong. He therefore suggested including the six Heungs as photo-taking landmarks as well. He added that some bricks and tiles of the ancestral hall in San Ting had a history of over 500 years which were worthy of a visit, and the Man Tin Cheung Park was a place where students and tourists could learn about the history of the patriotic hero, Man Tin Cheung.

80. Mr SHUM Ho-kit, BBS, JP held the view that a successful photo-taking landmark should possess different criteria including the location’s suitability for photo-taking, the story of the

landmark itself, etc. Besides, he opined that the YLDO should pick the artworks with prudence to avoid it becoming highbrow or a laughing stock. In addition, he agreed that the historical architecture in six Heungs was part of the characteristics of Yuen Long and could be considered as photo-taking landmarks.

81. Ms LAU Kwai-yung noted the Government's intention to develop the Yuen Long Nullah into a flower viewing hotspot and tourists could enhance the vividness of the scene by means of the AR technology. She also suggested promoting the AR technology among the elderly and teaching them how to use it. Besides, she proposed converting the footbridge in the middle part of the Yuen Long Nullah into a "lover's bridge" for members of the public to put "love locks" on it.

82. Mr LEUNG Ming-kin suggested displaying the demonstration model of the New Development Areas of Yuen Long. He also suggested providing information on scenic spots in various districts on the official "GeoInfo Map" to increase publicity effect and considered that apart from exploring new scenic spots, it was equally important to attract tourists to visit the places.

83. Mr TANG Ho-nin, MH proposed that government officials or DC Members to cosplay as characters from cartoons and distribute gifts at various photo-taking landmarks as a publicity gimmick.

84. Ms YUEN Man-ye, MH said that ancillary transport arrangements should also be taken into consideration when setting up a photo-taking landmark. She was in favour of the proposal to develop the Yuen Long Nullah into a photo-taking landmark. She also suggested to enhance the promotion of the scenic spots and photo-taking landmarks in Yuen Long to residents newly moved to the district.

85. Mr YIU Kwok-wai, MH suggested a comprehensive publicity programme to be launched after exploring and consolidating the major attractions in the Yuen Long District.

86. Mr CHAM Ka-hung, Daniel, BBS, MH, JP suggested mounting a 15-foot tall artworks of the English alphabets "YUEN LONG" or its Chinese characters in artistic font type on Long Ngai Path, Yuen Long near the nullah. He believed that residents would be attracted to take photos there.

87. The Chairman concluded that it was not necessary for members of the public to download a mobile application for applying the proposed AR technology in photo-taking landmarks. They could simply use their mobile phones to scan the QR code which directed to a dedicated webpage to access the virtual reality for photo-taking. The YLDO would also consider setting up photo-taking landmarks in other major attractions in the district, in addition to the Yuen Long Nullah. Members' suggestions would be relayed to the District Youth Community Building Committee for consideration. The scale and presentation of the artworks would depend on the availability of resources.

**Item X: Yuen Long District Signature Project Scheme – member representative of the steering committee of the Yuen Long District Community Services Building (YLDC Paper No. 8/2024)**

88. The Chairman referred Members to Paper No. 8 and invited Ms Chelsea ONG, Assistant District Officer (Yuen Long) 2, to brief members on the paper.

89. Ms Chelsea ONG said the paper aimed to invite Members to nominate a representative to serve as a member in the steering committee of the Yuen Long District Community Services Building (“the Steering Committee”) under Yuen Long District Signature Project Scheme for filling up a vacancy.

90. The Chairman invited Members to make nominations. Mr LUI Kin, MH nominated Ms LAU Kwai-yung. The nomination was seconded by Mr YIU Kwok-wai, MH and Ms CHIU Sau-han, MH.

91. The Chairman announced that Ms LAU Kwai-yung would represent the YLDC to serve as a member of the Steering Committee.

### **Report Items**

#### **Item XI: HKPF’s report on the district’s law and order situation and crime figures between August and November in 2023**

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92. The Chairman invited Mr Wilson WONG of the HKPF to report on the law and order situation and crime figures in the district.

93. Mr Wilson WONG reported on the law and order situation and the crime figures in the district between August and November 2023.

94. Ms YUEN Man-ye, MH praised the Police for its swift response in solving a taxi murder case in Shui Pin Wai, Yuen Long in just three hours.

95. Mr SHUM Ho-kit, BBS, JP said fraud had become the most common type of crime in Yuen Long District as indicated by the overall crime rate. To combat fraud, he suggested three main approaches: using advanced technology to intercept crimes, strengthening law enforcement, and prioritising publicity and education. He also suggested that a large-scale anti-fraud awareness campaign should be launched in collaboration with the Police together with the DC, the Care Teams, the Area Committees, the District Fire Safety Committee, and the District Fight Crime Committee.

96. Mr YU Chung-leung said that the number of burglaries in the district had more than doubled compared to the same period last year. He said that the increase in burglaries had negatively affected the mental well-being of residents, and enquired the Police of the measures to prevent burglaries.

97. Mr Daniel CHAM, BBS, MH, JP opined that the Police should work on their efforts to educate the public on how to help prevent fraud. He also asked whether the Police were taking further steps to prevent fraudsters from transferring money and to raise awareness that it was a serious offence to provide bank accounts for money laundering. Additionally, he expressed concern about intercepting fraudulent calls at the level of telecom operators. He suggested that the Police should enhance their efforts to raise awareness of the issue in elderly centres. Furthermore, he mentioned that the neglect of burglary prevention was another cause for concern and recommended that property management companies be involved in promoting burglary prevention.



98. Mr LEUNG Ming-kin suggested that the Police organise winter precaution crime prevention talks at village halls in six Heungs in Yuen Long and promote the use of the “Scameter”. He also emphasised the importance of the Government’s provision of adequate emotional support to the public after serious incidents. He mentioned that village roads in rural areas of Yuen Long were originally designed for shared use by pedestrians and cyclists. However, due to rural development, these roads had been converted into footpaths, making cycling impossible and causing inconvenience to villagers who previously relied on bicycles for transportation. He hoped that the Government would address this issue with discretion.

99. Mr YIU Kwok-wai, MH acknowledged, commended and supported the work done by the Police. He expressed concern about the safety risks posed to pedestrians by EMDs, especially in relation to the poor attitude towards their use by food couriers. He hoped that the Police would address this issue as a matter of priority. In addition, he noted that there was a problem with vehicle noise in the area around Tin Ying Road and Wetland Park Road at night, and asked the Police to follow up on the matter.

100. Mr Ronnie TANG urged the Police collaborate with telecom operators to develop new technology for intercepting suspicious phone calls. He also requested the Police for enhanced efforts in promoting the prevention of virtual currency fraud and addressing the problem of road obstructions caused by abandoned vehicles in Pat Heung.

101. Ms Fennie LAI said that there were situations where illegal sale of cigarettes and fouling in public places were found in the district. Illegal gambling remained a major concern. She also expressed concern about the ongoing problem of unauthorised parking near Tin Shui Wai Hospital, and enquired about the measures being taken by the Police to address the issue.

102. Mr SZE Chun-hing reported that there had been cases of cyclists speeding on pavements. He suggested that the Police provide statistics on cases where cyclists had injured pedestrians.

103. Mr TAM Tak-hoi enquired about the number of young people arrested for drug offences and whether the count of domestic violence cases was based on the number of families involved or the number of cases received.

104. Mr LEE Kai-lap suggested that the Police, in response to the increase in internet fraud cases, adopt a more youth-friendly approach in fraud prevention publicity, such as uploading videos onto their social media platforms. He also expressed gratitude towards the Police for their recent efforts to crack down on prostitution in the Yuen Long District and hoped that they would continue the effort. Finally, he said that scaffolding would be erected on certain buildings in the district for maintenance purposes, and suggested that the Police increase patrol frequency of these buildings to prevent burglaries.

105. Mr LAM Wai-ming said that a large number of foreign domestic helpers had gathered on the Long Ping footbridge during the public holidays, obstructing pedestrian traffic. He hoped the Police could address the situation.

106. A consolidated reply provided by Mr Wilson WONG of the HKPF was as follows:

- (1) The Police would gather additional information from the Members concerned regarding the noise generated by vehicles near Tin Ying Road and Wetland Park Road at night for follow-up action;

(Post-meeting note: The Police had already approached Mr YIU Kwok-wai, MH regarding complaints from local residents about the noise generated by vehicles travelling on Tin Ying Road and Wetland Park Road late at night. The Traffic New Territories North Headquarters had noted the situation and would take timely enforcement action against speeding vehicles at the above locations.)

- (2) Illegal use of “EMDs” was often the subject of Police action. When such activity was detected among food couriers, the Police would inform the relevant delivery platform companies and request that they regulate the behaviour of their food delivery staff;
- (3) The Police believed that publicity and education were the most effective means of preventing and combating crime;
- (4) The increase in the number of burglary case might be attributable to an increase in the number of transient population since resumption of normal travel in Hong Kong. Most traditional crime types increased compared to 2022 after society fully returned to normal in 2023. However, several traditional crime types decreased significantly compared to 2018, the year before the violence and the pandemic. The Police had been conducting intelligence-led operations. In November, the Crime New Territories North Headquarters busted a burglary syndicate, solving a total of 12 burglary cases. In December, officers from the crime unit of the Yuen Long Police District detected four burglary cases. Burglary cases in the district often occurred due to tenants failing to properly secure their doors and windows. When burglary cases were reported, officers from Yuen Long Police District and the Regional Crime Prevention Unit of the New Territories North Region would attend the scene for an investigation and propose reinforced anti-burglary measures. Winter precaution publicity campaigns would also be launched regularly at various housing estates and villages in the district;
- (5) Fraud was a growing problem worldwide, with perpetrators hiding their activities online, making enforcement a challenge. Nevertheless, the Police would continue to step up their efforts in the area of publicity and co-operation with stakeholders in the organisation of large-scale campaigns against scams;
- (6) There had been a positive response to recent Police initiatives aimed at intercepting fraudulent transfers. For instance, bank staff had been stationed at the Anti-Deception Coordination Centre to expedite the interception of fraudulent transfers. Similarly, telecommunications operators had improved their network management to detect and intercept suspicious telephone numbers, or suspend telecommunications services for such numbers;
- (7) In recent years, the Police had been using social media platforms to brief the public on detected cases that had been the subject of public concern for publicity and educational purposes, so that the public could understand the modus operandi of these cases;
- (8) The Police had been in consultation with the Department of Justice (“DoJ”) on the

lowering of the threshold for investigating the lending of accounts for money laundering purposes to speed up the investigation and prosecution of such cases. Furthermore, the courts had proposed increasing penalties for offenders involved in the lending of accounts for the purpose of money laundering to achieve a deterrent effect;

- (9) A YLDO-led operation was already in place to address abandoned vehicles. The Police would seek further information from the relevant Members about the black spots of abandoned vehicles in Pat Heung;

(Post-meeting note: The Police had approached Mr Ronnie TANG regarding the issue. It was noted that the black spot of abandoned vehicles was found in the area of Chi Ma Leng, Wing Ning Lei in Pat Heung. In October 2023, the Police inspected the area with the YLDO and the Lands Department (“LandsD”).)

- (10) From August to November 2023, the Yuen Long Police District issued a total of 75 952 fixed penalty tickets for illegal parking, averaging over 600 per day. Despite requests for discretion in handling parking contraventions on a case-by-case basis, the Police would continue to enforce parking regulations in a lawful, proportionate and justified manner in light of the actual circumstances;

- (11) From August to November 2023, the Yuen Long Police District issued 74 summonses for cycling offences, whereas 309 summonses were issued during the same period last year;

- (12) From August to November 2023, the Yuen Long Police District received 28 reports of minor drug cases and made 33 arrests, down by nine cases and one arrest from the same period last year. One juvenile was arrested for serious drug-related offences, which was four fewer than last year. The Police confirmed that the situation was under control;

- (13) Domestic violence figures were calculated based on reported cases. Although the Yuen Long District had a higher incidence of domestic violence due to its large population, the Police and the SWD would continue to work closely together to provide appropriate support to affected families;

- (14) There used to be a significant number of street prostitutes soliciting for immoral purposes in the Yuen Long District. The Police and the Immigration Department had been conducting joint operations on a monthly basis and had made certain number of arrests, and would continue similar operations;

- (15) Yuen Long was not the only district where foreign domestic helpers were gathering and obstructing roads. As enforcement alone was insufficient to address the issue, a multi-faceted approach was required. Community units, such as Care Teams, could assist with publicity and education to alleviate the situation; and

- (16) Cycling on rural village roads was a grey area in the law. The Police would seek advice from the DoJ and the LandsD before deciding whether to prosecute.

## **Item XII: Report on the work progress of DAS**

107. The Chairman invited Mr Sunny CHAN, Assistant District Officer (Yuen Long) 1, to report on the latest progress of DAS.

108. Mr Sunny CHAN introduced the DAS and its work progress.

109. Mr LAM Tim-fook relayed that the grass cutting work of different parts of a rest garden in Shui Tsiu San Tsuen was shared among the Drainage Services Department, LCS D, LandsD and YLDO. However, the lack of inter-departmental co-ordination in respect of the grass cutting work had caused the rest garden to be covered with weeds, giving rise to the breeding of mosquitoes and insects. He suggested the government departments concerned to carry out grass cutting work on the same day in a joint operation.

110. Mr CHUI Kwan-siu suggested the Government to conduct an inter-departmental joint clearance operation on anti-mosquito and grass cutting work in Tai Lam Tunnel Bus Interchange area.

111. Mr YIU Kwok-wai, MH praised the FEHD for deploying staff to inspect the hygiene black spots under the footbridge at Chun Yin Square on a daily basis, thereby improving the hygienic conditions of the area. Besides, he relayed that some of the hygiene black spots in the area of Grandeur Terrace Shopping Centre were found within the premises of private housing estates, making it difficult for clearance. It was necessary for the FEHD to examine how to deal with the situation. Moreover, he remarked that One Sky Mall was another hygiene black spot.

112. The Chairman noted Members' opinions.

### **Any Other Business**

113. The Chairman invited Mr Edwin LEE of the FEHD to report on the arrangements for Lunar New Year Fair 2024 in Yuen Long District.

114. Mr Edwin LEE introduced the arrangements for the Lunar New Year Fair in Yuen Long District and said that detailed arrangements would be set out to Members by circulation of paper via the Secretariat.

(Post-meeting note: The Secretariat submitted the paper titled "Briefing on Lunar New Year Fair 2024 in Yuen Long District" (YLDC Paper No. 9/2024) to Members by circulation of paper on 12 January 2024.)

### **Item XIII: Date of next meeting**

115. The Chairman said that the second DC meeting was to be held in the conference room of the YLDC at 2:30 p.m. on 26 March 2024.

116. There being no other business, the Chairman declared the first meeting of the seventh YLDC term closed and thanked Members and the department representatives for attending the meeting.