COMMUNITY SPORTS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the 30th Meeting of the Community Sports Committee

Date: 1 March 2013 (Friday)

Time: 10:30 am

Venue: Conference Room 401, 4/F, Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters,

1-3 Pai Tau Street, Sha Tin, Hong Kong

Present: Mr TONG Wai-lun (Chairman)

Mr David YIP Wing-shing (Vice-chairman)

Mr Daniel CHAM Ka-hung Mr Henry CHAN Chi-chiu Mr CHENG Shu-ming Mr CHU King-yuen

Mrs Stella LAU KUN Lai-kuen

Ms LEE Ching-nga Mr Philip LI Wing-kuen

Mr LIU Ah-chuen Ms TUNG Kin-lei

Mrs Cecillia WONG LAM Siu-ling

Dr Simon YEUNG Sai-mo Mr George YIP Chi-wai Dr YUNG Shu-hang Prof LEUNG Mee-lee

Department Representatives in Regular Attendance

Miss Olivia CHAN Yeuk-oi (Representative from Leisure and

Cultural Services Department)

Ms Annie KONG Yun-shan (Representative from Home Affairs

Bureau)

Mr YIP Yam-wing (Representative from Education

Bureau)

Mr HO Chun-ip (Representative from Education

Bureau)

Ms Olivia YIP Wai-ling (Representative from Social

Welfare Department)

Mr Dennis NGAN Yu-pang (Representative from Home Affairs

Department)

Absent with Apologies

Prof Stephen WONG Heung-sang

Ms Peggy LEE Pik-yee Mr Raphael TONG Tai-wai Dr Regina CHING Chuek-tuen (Representative from Department

of Health)

In Attendance

Mrs Betty FUNG CHING Suk-yee (Leisure and Cultural Services

Department)

Mr Bobby CHENG Kam-wing (Leisure and Cultural Services

Department)

Ms Rebecca LOU Wai-yi (Leisure and Cultural Services

Department)

Ms Alice HEUNG Ching-yee (Leisure and Cultural Services

Department)

Mrs FOK LEE Sheung-ling (Leisure and Cultural Services

Department)

Secretary

Mr Simon LIU Wai-shing (Leisure and Cultural Services

Department)

Opening Remarks

The Chairman welcomed all Members and representatives of various government departments to the first meeting of the current Community Sports Committee (CSC). He extended a welcome to two new Members, Ms LEE Ching-nga of the Eastern District Sports Association and Ms TUNG Kin-lei of the Sha Tin District Council. Mr Stephen YIP of the Education Bureau, who attended the meeting for the first time, was also welcomed. The Chairman hoped that all Members would continue to voice their opinions actively and work hand in hand for the development of community sports. Besides, he was grateful to former Member, Mr Lawrence LO for his contribution to the CSC in the past years.

Item 1: Confirmation of the Minutes of Last Meeting of the CSC

2.1 The Secretariat had on 4 February emailed the draft minutes of the 29th meeting to Members for comment and had hitherto received no proposals for amendments. As no further amendment was proposed at the meeting, the Chairman announced that the minutes of the 29th meeting were endorsed.

Item 2: Matters Arising

- (i) Report on the Follow-up Action on the Physical Fitness Test for the Community
- 3.1 <u>The Chairman</u> invited <u>Mr Simon LIU</u> of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) to report on the progress of the specific follow-up action plan

formulated based on the recommendations of the study report on the Physical Fitness Test for the Community (the Physical Fitness Test).

- 3.2 <u>Mr Simon LIU</u> asked Members to note the progress report tabled at the meeting and gave a brief account of some of the key points:
 - (a) The follow-up action plan was formulated based on the findings of the Physical Fitness Test with a view to promoting the benefits of regular participation in sport and other physical activities. Follow-up action included broadening the scope of publicity for the findings and recommendations of the Physical Fitness Test, enhancing the mechanism of sport participation for students from kindergarten to secondary levels and organising recreation and sports programmes of a wider variety to meet the needs of different communities.
 - (b) In view of the similarity in nature between the Physical Fitness Test and the "Study on Sport for All the Participation Patterns of Hong Kong People in Physical Activities" completed in 2008, the two studies would be merged to find out the public's participation patterns in sport and other physical activities and their physical fitness as well as the trends of development to make possible continuous evaluation of the changes in the fitness condition of Hong Kong people and the effectiveness of sport promotion in the community.
- 3.3 <u>Mrs Cecilia WONG</u> recognised that the progress report was comprehensive and would help increase public participation in sport. She suggested organising more activities for families and their pets and proceeding with the provision of pet gardens in the community so that the follow-up action plan would be more inclusive.
- Mr Henry CHAN pointed out that the survey suggested women demonstrated a quicker decline in physical fitness and recommended that the LCSD step up efforts on publicising the finding. Apart from organising more recreation and sports programmes suitable for women on a regular basis, the LCSD should also enhance publicity on the benefits of women participating in these programmes with their children and encourage members of the public to make use of the Fitness Corners in LCSD sports centres for physical fitness tests on BMI, etc. to learn about their physical condition.
- 3.5 Mr George YIP, having regard to the problem of inadequate physical activity level for women, recommended that women find time for exercise such as line dance at nearby LCSD indoor sports centres before or after grocery shopping or taking/picking up their children to/from school so as to get into the habit of regularly exercising.

- 3.6 Mr CHU King-yuen remarked that the report focused not only on students but also on the participation of women and the middle-aged in physical activities. He suggested designing simple activities such as stretching which parents could do while looking after their children or at work, and widely publicising such activities to arouse public interest in sport.
- 3.7 <u>Ms TUNG Kin-lei</u> realised that many women equated household chores with physical exercise and suggested that a video demonstrating relaxation exercises be played in the community, for example in libraries, to make women understand that relaxation exercises could alleviate the physical strain and adverse effects on health brought by household chores.
- 3.8 <u>Mrs Stella LAU</u> suggested that the LCSD recommend recreation and sports programmes suitable for women and provide demonstration videos or links to relevant websites on suitable physical exercises. She said the Women's Commission could help promote women's participation in sport and publicise the idea.
- 3.9 <u>Dr Simon YEUNG</u> considered the progress report comprehensive and suggested that individual age groups be highlighted in case studies. He believed that, if publicised, such case-sharing could be more effective in encouraging members of the public to take part in physical activities.
- 3.10 <u>Miss Olivia CHAN</u> of the LCSD thanked Members for their valuable input, and responded that she would consolidate Members' views and draw on them to refine the details of any follow-up action to be taken in future.
- 3.11 <u>Prof LEUNG Mee-lee</u> said that she had published a number of articles on women's participation in sport some years ago. She offered to send the relevant materials to Members for reference through the Secretariat.

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(ii) Progress Report on the 4th Hong Kong Games

- 4.1 <u>The Chairman</u> invited <u>Ms Rebecca LOU</u>, Secretary General of the 4th Hong Kong Games (HKG) Organising Committee, to report on the progress of the organising work for the 4th HKG.
- 4.2 Ms Rebecca LOU reported that the third and fourth meetings of the Standing Committee and the Organising Committee (OC) of the 4th HKG had been held in January. Having considered CSC Members' suggestions, the OC agreed to create an award for the "District with the Strongest Cheering Squad" so as to encourage local communities to give active support to the competitions and participating athletes.

4.3 In addition, the 18 District Councils (DCs) had completed the selection of local representatives from over 6 500 athletes in January. District delegations comprising more than 3 000 athletes had been formed for the 4th HKG. Meanwhile, the publicity work of the Secretariat of the OC, including the launch of the "Cheering Team Competition" and the "Dynamic Moments Photo Contest", had progressed as scheduled. As for sponsorship, the 4th HKG had so far received \$5.22 million in cash and about \$2.96 million in kind/service from ten organisations.

(Post-meeting note: As at 8 April, the 4th HKG received \$5.23 million in cash and about \$3.46 million in kind/service from 12 organisations.)

4.4 As regards the invitation for two CSC Members to serve on the adjudicating panel of the "Cheering Team Competition for the 18 Districts" and one on that of the "Dynamic Moments Photo Contest", the Chairman reported that he had invited Prof Stephen WONG and Mr George YIP to adjudicate at the "Cheering Team Competition for the 18 Districts" and Mr David YIP, the Vice-chairman, to adjudicate at the "Dynamic Moments Photo Contest". Members noted the arrangement.

Item 3: Report on the Proposals to Improve the Arrangements for the Booking and Allocation of Recreation and Sports Facilities of the LCSD (CSC Paper 1/13)

- 5.1 <u>The Chairman</u> invited <u>Ms Alice HEUNG</u> of the LCSD to present CSC Paper 1/13.
- 5.2 <u>Ms Alice HEUNG</u> briefed Members on CSC Paper 1/13. Members' views on the paper and the relevant responses are summarised as follows:
 - (a) Mr CHENG Shu-ming opined that members of the public had generally become accustomed to the "stand-by" arrangement for football pitches, and was worried that cancelling such arrangement for football pitches would adversely affect football development. Thus he advised that a reasonable balance be struck between maintaining the "stand-by" arrangement and curbing touting activities so that members of the public could continue to have the option of accessing football pitches as "stand-by" users.
 - (b) Mr Daniel CHAM supported the improvement measures proposed in the paper. Having reservations about cancelling the "stand-by" arrangement for football pitches, he suggested that consideration be given to imposing a charge on "stand-by" users. Nevertheless, he supported cancelling the "stand-by" arrangement on a trial basis for six months, with a review to be conducted after analysing views collected from users and the public during the trial period.
 - (c) Mr Henry CHAN supported cancelling the "stand-by" arrangement on a trial basis, commenting that it was unusual to have about a dozen potential "stand-by" users waiting at a football pitch, and thus

reasonable to believe that their activities were organised and abuse was involved.

- (d) Mr CHU King-yuen was worried that schools might be penalised for swapping booked sessions with each other due to rescheduling of classes. He suggested that special circumstances involving school bookings should be noted.
- (e) Mr Philip LI was concerned about the growing problem of touting in relation to bookings for football pitches and enquired about whether such touting activities were lawful. He suggested that legislation be enacted to prosecute touts in the hope of creating a deterrent effect.
- (f) Mr George YIP, referring to the arrangement mentioned in paragraph 8(c)(i) of the paper concerning "hirers [who] repeatedly fail to show up for their booked sessions and make prior cancellation over a period of time", asked if it was true that there would be no punishment for those original hirers who notified the LCSD of the cancellation of bookings one day in advance. He took the view that touts might see that as a loophole and use it to avoid penalty simply by notifying the LCSD of the cancellation of bookings for unsold sessions one day in advance. In addition to hiring elderly people to make bookings, touts might even arrange for them to stay at the venue until the session came to a close. He hoped the LCSD would be alert to the possibility of touts changing their mode of operation.
- (g) <u>Ms Alice HEUNG</u> of the LCSD thanked Members for their valuable views. Her responses are summarised as follows:
 - (i) Regarding the cancellation of the "stand-by" arrangement for football pitches on a trial basis, the LCSD would closely monitor the effectiveness of the measure over the six-month trial period and assess whether it would lead to venues being left unused and result in wastage. The LCSD would collect data on the utilisation of venues three months after the introduction of the trial measure (i.e. in September this year) for preliminary analysis and conduct a comprehensive review in December in order to decide whether the "stand-by" arrangement for football pitches should be cancelled on a long-term basis.

- (ii) The LCSD had a penalty system in place for organisations failing to comply with the booking regulations. The proposed penalty for non-compliance was directed against individuals. As regards the cancellation of bookings by individuals, Leisure Link Patrons could cancel their booked sessions online to allow for re-booking by other members of the public and the maximised use of limited resources.
- (iii) Although there would be no administrative penalty for touts who cancelled booked sessions that remained unsold one day before the date of use, they would forfeit the hiring charges and suffer losses under the current arrangement. Therefore it was believed that such arrangement would help curb touting activities in the long run. Under the current arrangement, Leisure Link Patrons who wished to cancel a booking could complete the procedures by logging into the According to the records of the Leisure Link website. previous month, there were about 300 cases of cancelled bookings in which hirers, though not refunded, took the initiative to cancel their bookings, thus allowing for re-booking by others through the booking system;
- (iv) As regards prosecution, the LCSD had over the last two years referred cases of suspected transfer of booked sessions to the Police for follow-up action. According to available information, one of the cases involved the alteration of the user name on the user permit. The perpetrator was prosecuted by the Police and convicted in court. Given that judicial proceedings took time, the LCSD suggested that, apart from collecting evidence for the Police's follow-up action, it should impose administrative penalties on hirers in breach of booking regulations to deter touts and curb touting activities:
- (v) For evidential reasons, it would be difficult to establish whether accompanying persons were involved as touts. In certain cases, for example, where parents booked a venue to play ball games with their children, it would be very difficult to adduce concrete evidence to demonstrate that accompanying persons were involved in touting activities.

- (vi) According to the implementation schedule, the LCSD expected to cancel the "stand-by" arrangement for football pitches progressively on a trial basis and introduce an improvement measure to shorten the advance booking period for individuals from 30 days to ten days starting from the middle of the year. The effectiveness of these measures would be assessed for consideration of whether other improvement measures were required.
- 5.3 <u>The Chairman</u> thanked Members for their valuable views and looked forward to the results of the review on the proposed measures to be made available half a year later.

Item 4: Report on the Public Swimming Pool Monthly Ticket Scheme (CSC Paper 2/13)

- 6.1 <u>The Chairman</u> invited <u>Mrs Doris FOK</u> of the LCSD to present CSC Paper 2/13 using PowerPoint.
- 6.2 <u>Mrs Doris FOK</u> briefed Members on CSC Paper 2/13. Members' views on the paper and the relevant responses are summarised as follows:
 - (a) <u>The Chairman</u> considered the current pricing of tickets (at \$300 each with a half-rate concession for senior citizens aged 60 or over and other eligible persons) reasonable and effective in promoting public participation in swimming.
 - (b) Mr LIU Ah-chuen suggested, by citing annual passes to theme parks as an example, that the LCSD make available quarterly and half-yearly tickets or offer more discounts to save the public the trouble of buying tickets every month and to encourage more people to use the swimming pools.
 - (c) Mr Daniel CHAM hailed the Scheme as a success. He credited it with boosting elderly participation in sport as figures showed that senior citizens accounted for more than half of ticket buyers. He said that since the elderly visited the swimming pools mostly during the first session, the Scheme could help increase the usage of the pools during non-peak hours without causing significant impact on other users. Besides, he was in favour of introducing smart cards for the convenience of the public, further proposing that the cards be made multi-purpose for the use of the Leisure Link System or other leisure services provided by the LCSD.
 - (d) Ms TUNG Kin-lei raised cases where pool staff had required elderly ticket buyers to produce identity documents but refused to accept

senior citizen cards or other proof of senior citizenship. She recommended that the procedures be improved and senior citizen cards be accepted to facilitate the purchase of tickets by the elderly.

- (e) <u>Prof LEUNG Mee-lee</u> backed the proposal for quarterly tickets, under which senior citizens would need to buy tickets only once a quarter. She said that the proposal would not only save elderly swimmers the trouble of carrying identity cards to buy tickets at booking offices every month, but also reduce government administrative costs.
- (f) Mrs Doris FOK of the LCSD thanked Members for their valuable views. Her responses are summarised as follows:
 - (i) Regarding the proposal for quarterly tickets, it was believed that the current arrangements, under which a member of the public could buy at the same time more than one monthly ticket with validity of up to 90 days (i.e. covering one month, two months or even three months (one quarter)), already provided flexibility and could cater for the needs of different groups of swimmers (including senior citizens).
 - (ii) According to statistics, a total of 149 public swimming pool sessions had reached maximum capacity in the first seven months since the launch of the Scheme, accounting for about one per cent of the total number of sessions available during the period. The figure was similar to that for the same period in the previous year when the Scheme had yet to be introduced, indicating that currently public swimming pools had adequate capacity to accommodate the increase in usage resulting from the implementation of the Scheme.
 - (iii) The LCSD had considered the idea of allowing elderly swimmers to produce senior citizen cards instead of identity cards for the purchase of monthly tickets but concluded that it could not accept senior citizen cards as proof of identity. The reason was that senior citizen cards, issued by the Social Welfare Department, were not official identity documents but were intended only to help the elderly enjoy discounts and concessions offered by government departments, public organisations and private companies. It was therefore necessary for buyers of monthly tickets to produce identity documents such as identity cards for identity verification. Meanwhile, to facilitate public use of monthly tickets, the LCSD was piloting a smart card access system which would allow cardholders to access public swimming pools without

- producing proof of identity. The new arrangement was well received by elderly swimmers. Those interviewed said that it offered quicker and easier access.
- (iv) In respect of the proposal for multi-purpose smart cards, the LCSD would explore whether it was feasible to make them compatible for use with the Leisure Link System.

 [Post-meeting note: The LCSD introduced the use of monthly ticket smart cards to public swimming pools in all districts from the start of the swimming season of 2013 (i.e. from 1 April).]

Item 5: Proposal on Sport For All Day 2013 (CSC Paper 3/13)

- 7.1 <u>The Chairman</u> invited <u>Mr Simon LIU</u> of the LCSD to present CSC Paper 3/13.
- 7.2 <u>Mr Simon LIU</u> briefed Members on CSC Paper 3/13. Members' views on the paper and the relevant responses are summarised as follows:
 - (a) Mr Henry CHAN remarked that the Sport For All Day had met with much success since its inception in 2009. He recommended setting up a dedicated Facebook page for the event to enhance publicity.
 - (b) <u>Dr Simon YEUNG</u> observed that the staging of the Sport For All Day was in keeping with the findings of the Physical Fitness Test and that it was a pragmatic idea for the theme of the event to focus on "Lifestyles in Sport" and "Parent-child and Family Sport". He proposed adding a human touch to the publicity efforts for greater effectiveness.
 - (c) Ms LEE Ching-nga hoped that publicity could be carried out to correct a common misconception about the strenuousness of exercise and to promulgate the benefits of family sport to family relationships as well as the therapeutic effects of physical activity. Furthermore, considering that many women were experiencing declining health, she suggested that monthly family tickets be made available to encourage mothers and children to buy tickets together so as to foster public awareness of family sport.
 - (d) Mr HO Chun-ip noted that it had been recommended that rope skipping be featured on the Sport For All Day 2013. Since the World Rope Skipping Championships would be held in Hong Kong in 2014, he proposed involving the sports association concerned to introduce different competition events, including parent-child, pair and group events.

(e) Miss Olivia CHAN of the LCSD responded that plans were in place to invite the Hong Kong Rope Skipping Association to assist with the organisation of rope skipping activities on the Sport For All Day 2013. It was hoped that the publicity of the event could drive home safety messages relating to the sport.

Item 6: Alignment of Fees and Charges for Recreation and Sports Facilities and Services under the Management of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (CSC Paper 4/13)

- 8.1 <u>The Chairman</u> invited <u>Ms Alice HEUNG</u> of the LCSD to present CSC Paper 4/13.
- 8.2 <u>Ms Alice HEUNG</u> of the LCSD briefed Members on CSC Paper 4/13. Members' views on the paper and the relevant responses are summarised as follows:
 - (a) Mr Daniel CHAM said that the alignment of fees and charges at the lower of the existing levels had been long awaited by the public and should be implemented as early as possible. To expedite the process, he suggested that for those fees and charges which could be adjusted only after the Legislative Council (LegCo) approved the necessary legislative amendments, the Director of Leisure and Cultural Services (DLCS) should be allowed to give the requisite approval instead.
 - (b) <u>Dr Simon YEUNG</u> noted that the paper listed the proposed new rates for peak and non-peak hours and that the peak hour rate was subdivided into normal and special rates (the latter for Saturday mornings). He would like to know if the special rate could be directly designated as the non-peak hour rate. He also asked whether peak and non-peak hours were defined according to difference in usage and whether it was because of high usage that the special rate period could not be defined as non-peak period.
 - (c) Mr HO Chun-ip said that the extension of non-peak hours from 5 pm to 6 pm on weekdays could address the needs of schools, allowing them to organise more activities during the extra hour. He went on to say that schools usually held a wide range of activities including sports activities, training and interest classes by using LCSD facilities on Saturday mornings. If Saturday mornings were to be re-defined as peak hours, schools would have to adjust the activities scheduled for the period. Moreover, he asked if schools would still be allowed to book more than half of the facilities at a venue during peak hours. His understanding was that LCSD facilities were booked mostly by the Hong Kong Schools Sports Federation for

staging events and competitions and by schools for organising training classes or sports activities, and that excessive booking of facilities during peak hours was not allowed. He hoped that when it came to consulting schools on the proposal, more could be done to solicit their views on the arrangements for peak and non-peak hours.

- (d) <u>Ms Alice HEUNG</u> of the LCSD thanked Members for their valuable views. Her responses are summarised as follows:
 - (i) Block booking of LCSD facilities during peak and non-peak hours was subject to different quotas. During peak hours, only one-third of the total available hours in a month were allowed for block booking by organisations, whereas the quota for non-peak hours was more generous. She added that the proposed arrangements for peak and non-peak hours were made in response to changes in people's life patterns in recent years. For example, the classification of 5 pm to 6 pm on weekdays as a non-peak hour and all day Saturdays as peak hours was proposed in the light of longer working hours on weekdays and the implementation of the five-day Since re-defining Saturday mornings (currently week. defined as non-peak hours for facilities in the New Territories) as peak hours would result in an increase in fees and charges and run counter to the principle of adopting the lower of the existing levels, it was proposed that Saturday mornings be defined as a special rate (which would be on a par with the non-peak hour rate) period within peak hours. In a future comprehensive review of fees and charges for various recreation and sports facilities, the LCSD would reexamine the charging arrangements for peak and non-peak hours, particularly the special rate period on Saturday mornings, with a view to further rationalisation of fees and charges.
 - (ii) Priority use of LCSD facilities by schools was usually booked a year in advance. Around June every year schools would apply to the LCSD for the use of facilities from September to June of the following school year. The proposed new arrangements would allow schools to book the use of facilities until 6 pm on weekdays, making available more sessions for students to participate in activities after school. The current priority booking arrangements for schools on Saturday mornings would remain unchanged. Whether schools could book half of the facilities at a venue would depend on the actual circumstances.

- The Director of Leisure and Cultural Services (DLCS) added that the (e) exercise to align fees and charges was devised according to the principles outlined by the Chief Executive in his Policy Address. She said that in aligning fees and charges, the LCSD also intended to align the definitions of peak and non-peak hours for facilities in the urban areas and the New Territories, which had been different under the management of the two ex-municipal councils. The overall objective was to balance the needs of various stakeholders. extension of non-peak hours from 5 pm to 6 pm on weekdays would on the one hand provide more sessions for booking by schools and organisations. On the other hand, re-defining Saturday mornings as peak hours for facilities in the New Territories would possibly affect the number of sessions available for booking by schools and organisations in the districts concerned. She hoped that schools in the New Territories could try to schedule student's sports training activities for the pre-6 pm after-school hours on weekdays.
- (f) Mr LIU Ah-chuen remarked that schools would be affected by the new arrangements for Saturday mornings and that it would be more difficult for schools in the New Territories in particular to book LCSD facilities. He asked whether statistics were available in that respect.
- (g) Ms Alice HEUNG of the LCSD responded that initial statistics on the usage of main arenas at sports centres during peak and non-peak hours showed that the use of facilities in the New Territories by organisations on Saturday mornings accounted for less than one-third of the sessions. Hence re-defining Saturday mornings as peak hours should not significantly affect the hire of facilities (except possibly for some) by organisations and schools. As for facilities in the urban areas, the booking arrangements for schools would remain unchanged since Saturday mornings were currently defined as peak hours. The LCSD would closely monitor the booking of facilities following the implementation of the new arrangements.
- (h) <u>DLCS</u> added that most of the sports centres being planned for construction were located in the New Territories including Tseung Kwan O, Kwai Tsing and Yuen Long. Upon completion and opening of those new sports centres, more badminton and basketball courts would be available for use by organisations and schools.
- (i) According to the plan, the LCSD would submit to LegCo draft amendments to relevant subsidiary legislation in May 2013. Subject to LegCo's approval and the completion of the re-setting of fees and charges in the Leisure Link System, the LCSD would implement the alignment and related arrangements in phases in

2013-14.

Item 7: Any Other Business

- (i) Proposed Continuation of the Student Sports Activities Co-ordinating Sub-Committee (SSACS) for the Current Term of the CSC
- 9.1 To further the implementation of the School Sports Programme, the Chairman suggested that the current term of the CSC retain the Student Sports Activities Co-ordinating Sub-Committee (SSACS) and nominated Mr LIU Ah-chuen and Mrs Stella LAU to continue to serve as its Convenor and Vice-convenor respectively. The Chairman asked Members interested in joining the SSACS to return reply slips to the Secretariat after the meeting. Members noted the relevant arrangements.

(ii) City-wide Public Participation Campaign

9.2 <u>DLCS</u> mentioned that the Special Administrative Region Government was planning to launch a city-wide public participation campaign in May 2013 to promote positive energy in Hong Kong through the concerted efforts of various sectors of the community. <u>DLCS</u> said that Members would be invited to participate in the campaign once the arrangements were finalised.

Adjournment of Meeting

- 10.1 <u>The Chairman</u> thanked Members for attending the meeting. The Secretariat would inform Members of the date of the next meeting.
- The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 pm.

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