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Panel on Welfare Services

Subcommittee on Poverty Alleviation

**Minutes of the first meeting
held on Friday, 6 February 2009, at 2:00 pm
in Conference Room B of the Legislative Council Building**

Members present : Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee, SBS, JP (Chairman)
Hon LEE Cheuk-yan
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, JP
Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah, SC
Hon CHEUNG Kwok-che
Hon WONG Kwok-kin, BBS

Members absent : Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC
Hon WONG Sing-chi

Clerk in attendance : Miss Betty MA
Chief Council Secretary (2) 4

Staff in attendance : Miss Florence WONG
Senior Council Secretary (2) 5

Miss Maggie CHIU
Legislative Assistant (2) 4

I. Election of Chairman (and Deputy Chairman)

Mr LEE Cheuk-yan, the member who had the highest precedence among those who joined the Subcommittee, presided at the election of Chairman of the Subcommittee. He invited nominations for the chairmanship of the Subcommittee.

2. Mr Frederick FUNG was elected Chairman of the Subcommittee for the 2008-2009 session. Members also agreed that election of a deputy chairman of the Subcommittee was not necessary.

II. Date of next meeting

3. Members agreed that the Subcommittee would hold regular meetings about once every month. The next meeting would be held on 5 March 2009 at 10:45am, and members would be notified of the dates of subsequent meetings in April and May 2009 in due course.

4. After discussion, members agreed to discuss the following items at the next meeting –

- (a) the Administration's response to the recommendations in the Report of the Subcommittee on Review of the Comprehensive Social Security Assistance (CSSA) Scheme; and
- (b) the provision of Internet access charges under the CSSA Scheme.

5. Members further agreed that deputations should be invited to the meeting to give views on item (b) above.

6. For future meetings, the Chairman said that the Subcommittee might wish to draw up a list of discussion items on issues relating to the CSSA Scheme, needy elderly and poverty alleviation. The Subcommittee would discuss two items at each meeting, and follow up the discussion at subsequent meeting(s) if necessary. Members agreed. To facilitate future discussion, the Chairman instructed the Clerk to issue a circular to invite members to propose specific items for discussion before the next meeting.

III. Any other business

7. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 2:10 pm.

**Proceedings of the first meeting of the
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Time marker	Speaker(s)	Subject(s)	Action required
<i>Agenda item I – Election of Chairman</i>			
000000 - 000311	Mr LEE Cheuk-yan Mr CHEUNG Kwok-che Mr Ronny TONG Mr Frederick FUNG Mr WONG Kwok-kin	Election of Chairman	
<i>Agenda item II – Date of next meeting</i>			
000312 - 000452	Chairman Mr LEE Cheuk-yan Mr TAM Yiu-chung Mr LEUNG Yiu-chung	Date of future meetings	
000453 - 001107	Chairman Mr LEUNG Yiu-chung Mr LEE Cheuk-yan	Discussion items for the next meeting and future meetings	

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