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Subcommittee on District Councils Ordinance (Amendment of Schedules 1 and 3) Order 2013

Minutes of the third meeting held on Monday, 6 January 2014, at 4:30 pm in Conference Room 1 of the Legislative Council Complex

Members: Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP (Chairman)

present Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan

Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, JP

Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG Mei-fun, SBS, JP

Hon Paul TSE Wai-chun, JP Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC Dr Hon Kenneth CHAN Ka-lok

Hon LEUNG Che-cheung, BBS, MH, JP

Hon KWOK Wai-keung Hon SIN Chung-kai, SBS, JP Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT, JP

Hon Christopher CHUNG Shu-kun, BBS, MH, JP

Members : Hon Gary FAN Kwok-wai

absent Hon CHAN Han-pan

Hon MA Fung-kwok, SBS, JP

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Staff in : Mr Kelvin LEE

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Miss Cindy HO

Senior Council Secretary (2) 3

Action

I. Meeting with the Administration

[CMAB C2/23, LC Paper Nos. CB(3)89/13-14, CB(2)306/13-14(01) and CB(2)591/13-14(01)]

<u>The Subcommittee</u> deliberated (index of proceedings attached at **Annex**).

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- 2. <u>The Subcommittee</u> requested the Administration to provide written response to the following concerns raised by members -
 - (a) further details of the school net arrangement of the two secondary schools in the two District Council constituency areas ("DCCAs") (i.e. Tin Hau (C16) and Victoria Park (C18)) in consultation with the Education Bureau; and
 - (b) the future arrangement on the provision of statistical data of the two DCCAs by the Census and Statistics Department to -
 - (i) facilitate research organizations to make comparison of the statistical data of the Wan Chai District and Eastern District before and after the transfer of the two DCCAs; and
 - (ii) provide assistance in compiling tailor-made statistics from past population censuses, on a cost recovery basis, according to specific users' requirements to facilitate academic research.

(<u>Post-meeting note</u>: The supplementary information paper provided by the Administration was issued on 10 January 2014 vide LC Paper No. CB(2)656/13-14(01).)

3. <u>The Subcommittee</u> completed the scrutiny of the District Councils Ordinance (Amendment of Schedules 1 and 3) Order 2013 ("the Order"). <u>The Subcommittee</u> supported the Administration giving fresh notice to move a motion on the Order at the Council meeting of 22 January 2014. <u>Members</u> agreed that the Subcommittee would report its deliberations to the House Committee on 10 January 2014. The deadline for giving notice of amendments to the Order was 15 January 2014.

II. Any other business

4. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 5:25 pm.

Council Business Division 2 <u>Legislative Council Secretariat</u> 21 March 2014

Proceedings of the third meeting of the Subcommittee on District Councils Ordinance (Amendment of Schedules 1 and 3) Order 2013 on Monday, 6 January 2014, at 4:30 pm in Conference Room 1 of the Legislative Council Complex

Time Marker	Speaker(s)	Subject(s)	Action required
000127 - 001146	Chairman	Opening remarks Briefing by Administration on its responses to issues raised by the Subcommittee at the meeting on 10 December 2013 [LC Paper No. CB(2)591/13-14(01)].	
001147 - 002057	Chairman Dr Kenneth CHAN Administration	Dr Kenneth CHAN was gravely concerned about the proposed change of the school net. Noting that the relevant discussion would continue at the Secondary School Places Allocation ("SSPA") Committee's next meeting in March 2014, Dr CHAN opined that it would be fairer to the deputations concerned if the Education Bureau could give further details of the relevant arrangements before a decision could be made on the Order. The Administration responded that the Education Bureau had engaged the two secondary schools on the relevant arrangements. Further details would be worked out by the SSPA Committee.	Admin (paragraph 2 of the minutes)
002058 - 002729	Chairman Administration	The Chairman's enquiry on the facilitating arrangements and the Administration's explanation that - (a) subject to the Legislative Council's approval of the Order, three public sector schools including two secondary schools would become located in the Wan Chai District instead of the Eastern District when the Order took effect from 1 January 2016. Any implication that the Order might bring about to the schools concerned should take effect from the 2016-2017 school year; (b) the two secondary schools concerned would virtually remain a choice for primary students studying in schools in the Eastern District during the Central Allocation stage until the	

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		2014 Primary One cohort progressed to Primary Six in the 2019-2020 school year for Secondary One admission in the 2020-2021 school year;	
		(c) the number of Secondary One places to be netted / provided to the Eastern District and other districts (if any) for the Central Allocation would be worked out subject to consultation with schools; and	
		(d) the schools concerned would have time to start planning for recruiting students in the Wan Chai District prior to the 2016-2017 school year.	
002730 - 002859	Chairman Mr Paul TSE Administration	Mr Paul TSE's concern on whether the schools concerned could be allowed to exercise greater flexibility in the admission of students during the transitional arrangements.	
		The Administration advised that the number of places to be netted / provided in each SSPA cycle would be considered by the SSPA Committee with a view to ensuring adequate supply of school places in each district.	
002900 - 003624	Chairman Ms Cyd HO Administration	Ms Cyd HO's concern on whether the Census and Statistics Department ("C&SD") could provide statistical data of the two District Council Constituency Areas ("DCCAs") to facilitate research organizations to make comparison of the statistical data of the Wan Chai District and the Eastern District before and after the transfer of the two DCCAs.	
		The Administration's explanation that according to the established arrangement of C&SD, statistical data down to DCCA level had been available for statistical surveys which were designed for such purpose. For the other statistical surveys which were designed for release of statistics at district level, the sample size so determined might not be able to support additional data requirements for DCCA-based statistics due to data limitation.	
		As the population of the two DCCAs had reached more than 30 000 and a research period could cover the past tens of years, Ms Cyd HO requested the Administration to undertake that statistical	Admin (paragraph 2 of the minutes)

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		data of the two DCCAs would continue to be provided by C&SD to facilitate research and analysis.	
003625 - 004009	Chairman Mr SIN Chung-kai Administration	Mr SIN Chung-kai's enquiry about the school net arrangement beyond the 2020-2021 school year and the Administration's reiteration of the measures to be taken to address the relevant concerns.	
004010 - 004429	Chairman Dr Kenneth CHAN Administration	Dr CHAN pointed out that the population censuses/by-censuses already covered a wide range of information such as demographic, economic and household statistics down to the DCCA level, and research organizations could readily make use of the information for their comparison and study. He further mentioned about the existing practice whereby C&SD would, on a cost recovery basis, provide assistance in compiling tailor-made statistics from past population censuses according to specific users' requirements to facilitate academic research. He asked whether the service would continue to be provided by C&SD after the two DCCAs were transferred to the Wan Chai District. The Administration undertook to follow up members' concern in collaboration with C&SD and provide a written response after the meeting.	Admin (paragraph 2 of the minutes)
004430 - 005147	Chairman Administration Assistant Legal Adviser	Scrutiny of the provisions of the Order [LC Paper No. CB(2)306/13-14(01)].	
005148 - 005252	Chairman Administration	Legislative timetable The Subcommittee's agreement that it would give a verbal report to the House Committee on 10 January 2014.	
005253 - 005457	Chairman Dr Kenneth CHAN Ms Cyd HO	Closing remarks	

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