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Panel on Home Affairs and Panel on Development

Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project

Minutes of meeting held on Monday, 24 November 2014, at 10:45 am in Conference Room 2 of the Legislative Council Complex

Members present

Hon Christopher CHUNG Shu-kun, BBS, MH, JP (Chairman)

Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC (Deputy Chairman)

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, GBS, JP

Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan, JP Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, JP Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP

Hon Claudia MO

Hon Steven HO Chun-yin Hon Frankie YICK Chi-ming Hon Gary FAN Kwok-wai Hon MA Fung-kwok, SBS, JP

Hon CHAN Chi-chuen

Hon CHAN Yuen-han, SBS, JP Dr Hon Helena WONG Pik-wan Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan, JP

Member absent

Hon Tony TSE Wai-chuen, BBS

Public Officers : <u>Items II and III</u>

attending

Home Affairs Bureau

Mrs Betty FUNG CHING Suk-yee, JP Permanent Secretary for Home Affairs

Mrs Sorais LEE KWAN Siu-kuen, JP Project Manager (Home Affairs Bureau) Mrs Avia LAI WONG Shuk-han Deputy Secretary for Home Affairs(3)

Ms Sabrina LAW Chung Principal Assistant Secretary for Home Affairs (West Kowloon Cultural District)

Item II

West Kowloon Cultural District Authority

Mr Michael LYNCH Chief Executive Officer

Dr CHAN Man-wai Executive Director, Project Delivery

Mr Louis YU

Executive Director, Performing Arts

Clerk in : Ms Amy YU

attendance Chief Council Secretary (2)6

Staff in : Ms Jasmine TAM

attendance Senior Council Secretary (2)8

Miss Karen LAI

Council Secretary (2)6

Miss Meisy KWOK

Legislative Assistant (2)6

Miss LEE Wai-yan Clerical Assistant (2)6

Action

I. Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman (if required)

Mr Christopher CHUNG and Mr Alan LEONG were respectively elected as the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project ("the Joint Subcommittee") for the 2014-2015 legislative session.

II Update on the progress of the West Kowloon Cultural District development

(LC Paper Nos. CB(2)306/14-15(01)-(03))

- 2. The Joint Subcommittee deliberated (index of proceedings at **Annex**).
- 3. At the invitation of the Chairman, <u>Permanent Secretary for Home Affairs ("PSHA") and the Chief Executive Officer of the West Kowloon Cultural District Authority</u> ("WKCDA") briefed members on the latest progress of the West Kowloon Cultural District ("WKCD") development, details of which were set out in WKCDA's paper (LC Paper No. CB(2)306/14-15(01)) and powerpoint presentation material tabled at the meeting.

(*Post-meeting note*: The powerpoint presentation material provided by WKCDA was issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(2)333/14-15(01) on 24 November 2014.)

4. Mr MA Fung-kwok declared that he had been re-appointed as a member of the Board of WKCDA.

Admin/ WKCDA

- 5. <u>The Joint Subcommittee</u> requested the Administration/WKCDA to provide the following information -
 - (a) the batching arrangement and timeline for the implementation of the various facilities in WKCD, including specific completion time for each of the facilities for which design/construction works had commenced;
 - (b) the latest schedule for the phased submission of funding applications for the implementation of the integrated basement to the Legislative Council and the estimated amount of funding to be sought in each application; and
 - (c) the amount of manpower and financial resources that WKCDA had deployed for making video records of its audience building and capacity building programmes/activities and promoting the use of multi-media technologies to disseminate information about these programmes/activities to the public, as well as specific initiatives/projects undertaken by WKCDA in this regard.

III. Proposed extension of a supernumerary Principal Government Engineer post and a supernumerary Administrative Officer Staff Grade C post relating to the West Kowloon Cultural District project

(LC Paper Nos. CB(2)306/14-15(04)-(05))

- 6. At the invitation of the Chairman, <u>PSHA</u> briefed members on the Administration's proposal to extend two supernumerary directorate posts of one Principal Government Engineer (D3) and one Administrative Officer Staff Grade C (D2) in the Home Affairs Bureau for a period of four years from 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2019 to continue monitoring the implementation of the WKCD project.
- Admin 7. At members' request, <u>PSHA</u> undertook to provide information on the recent appointments to the Board of WKCDA, the changes in the Board's membership including which Board members were newly appointed/reappointed, as well as the commencement and expiry dates of the current term of appointment.

(*Post-meeting note*: The information provided by the Administration was issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(2)409/14-15(01) on 5 December 2014.)

8. <u>Members</u> did not raise objection to the Administration's submission of the staffing proposal to the Establishment Subcommittee for consideration.

IV. Any other business

- 9. <u>Members</u> noted that in accordance with the past practice, the Chairman and the Deputy Chairman would have an informal meeting with the Administration and WKCDA to discuss the work plan of the Joint Subcommittee in the 2014-2015 legislative session. <u>Members</u> further noted that they would be informed of the arrangement for the next meeting of the Joint Subcommittee in due course.
- 10. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 12:40 pm.

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Proceedings of meeting of the Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project held on Monday, 24 November 2014, at 10:45 am in Conference Room 2 of the Legislative Council Complex

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000442 - 001527	Mr Christopher CHUNG Mr Gary FAN Dr CHIANG Lai-wan Ms Claudia MO Mr Alan LEONG Ms Starry LEE Mr IP Kwok-him Ms Cyd HO Ms Emily LAU Mr Steven HO	Election of Chairman Two valid nominations were made for the Chairmanship of the Joint Subcommittee: (1) Mr Alan LEONG was nominated by Ms Claudia MO and the nomination was seconded by Mr Gary FAN. Mr Alan LEONG accepted the nomination; and (2) Mr Christopher CHUNG was nominated by Ms Starry LEE and the nomination was seconded by Mr IP Kwok-him. Mr Christopher CHUNG accepted the nomination. A vote was conducted by secret ballot and the result was that seven members voted for Mr Alan LEONG and eight members voted for Mr Christopher CHUNG. Mr Christopher CHUNG was elected as the Chairman of the Joint Subcommittee. Election of Deputy Chairman Mr Alan LEONG was nominated by Mr Gary FAN and the nomination was seconded by Ms Cyd HO. Mr Alan LEONG accepted the nomination. As no other valid nomination was made, Mr Alan LEONG was elected as the Deputy Chairman of the Joint Subcommittee.			
Agenda Iten	n II - Update on the progress	s of the West Kowloon Cultural District development			
001528 - 003908	Chairman Admin WKCDA	Briefing by the Administration and the West Kowloon Cultural District Authority ("WKCDA") on the latest progress of the West Kowloon Cultural District ("WKCD") development [LC Paper Nos. CB(2)306/14-15(01) and CB(2)333/14-15(01)].			
003909 - 004415	Dr Helena WONG WKCDA Chairman Admin	Dr Helena WONG expressed concern about the progress of the construction works of the WKCD project. Pointing out that part of the WKCD site area was currently being occupied by the MTR Corporation Limited ("MTRCL") for the construction of the West Kowloon Terminus ("WKT") of the Hong Kong Section of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link ("XRL"), Dr WONG enquired whether WKCDA and MTRCL had agreed on the timing for the release of the XRL work site/works area within WKCD by MTRCL such that the relevant works for the WKCD project could be implemented in a timely manner.			

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		WKCDA advised that part of the WKCD site area was being held by MTRCL under a short term tenancy for the construction of WKT. WKCDA had been focusing mainly on the development of the Batch 1 facilities (i.e. Xiqu Centre, M+, the Park (including the Arts Pavilion) and Freespace) and the Artist Square Development Area, which was generally not affected by the XRL works in WKCD. It was anticipated that by the time of completion of the Batch 1 facilities, all relevant work sites for the XRL project within WKCD would have been released. Subject to the progress of implementation of the relevant parts of the integrated basement, WKCDA could then proceed with the construction of the Batch 2 facilities.	
		In response to Dr WONG's enquiry about the funding arrangement and timeline for the implementation of the various facilities in WKCD, the Administration and WKCDA advised that the portion of the endowment fund for the design and construction of the WKCD facilities would be sufficient to cover the design and construction costs of the Batch 1 and Batch 2 facilities, which were targeted to be delivered in stages by 2018 and 2022 respectively; while the implementation programme of the Batch 3 facilities would be reviewed at a suitable juncture and there was no definite timetable for the delivery of these facilities at the present stage.	
		The Administration/WKCDA were requested to advise in writing the batching arrangement and timeline for the implementation of the various facilities in WKCD, including specific completion time for each of the facilities for which design/construction works had commenced.	Admin/ WKCDA
004416 - 004944	Miss CHAN Yuen-han Admin WKCDA Chairman	Miss CHAN Yuen-han was concerned that while the construction of the Batch 2 facilities could only commence after completion of the relevant parts of the integrated basement, the funding for the implementation of the basement had yet to be approved by/sought from the Legislative Council ("LegCo"). Miss CHAN cautioned that given the uncertainty about whether and when the funding approval would be given by LegCo, the Administration and WKCDA should be prepared to make alternative arrangements for financing the implementation of the relevant parts of the integrated basement where necessary, so as to ensure that the Batch 2 facilities could be completed as scheduled.	

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	The Administration advised that it would fully fund the capital works of the integrated basement and would seek funding from LegCo in phases for the implementation of the basement. The first funding application for the advance public infrastructure works for Zone 3A (i.e. the M+portion) and the design for Zone 3B of the integrated basement was awaiting consideration by the Public Works Subcommittee ("PWSC"), while the second application would be submitted to LegCo around mid 2015. The development of both Batch 1 and Batch 2 facilities would be affected if the approval of these funding applications by the Finance Committee ("FC") was delayed.	
	The Administration was requested to advise in writing the latest schedule for the phased submission of funding applications for the implementation of the integrated basement to LegCo and the estimated amount of funding to be sought in each application.	Admin
	Miss CHAN Yuen-han also urged the Administration and WKCDA to follow up expeditiously members' concerns about the provision of parking spaces, retail, dining and entertainment facilities and piers in WKCD.	
Mr MA Fung-kwok Admin WKCDA Ms Starry LEE	Mr MA Fung-kwok and Ms Starry LEE expressed concern about the impact of the delay in the consideration of the funding application for the integrated basement on the implementation progress of the WKCD project. They enquired whether the Administration had formulated any concrete plans to secure the required funding for the relevant works if FC's funding approval was further delayed or if the funding application was not approved by FC. Ms LEE also expressed concern about the cost implication of such delay.	
	The Administration advised that it was fully aware that any delay in obtaining funding approval from FC for the implementation of the integrated basement would have significant time and cost implications on the development of the whole WKCD. The Administration was in discussion with WKCDA on possible alternative options for funding the implementation of the integrated basement where the situation warranted. Among the options, the Administration and WKCDA were exploring whether it was feasible for WKCDA to deploy the endowment fund to cover part of the costs of the integrated basement. The Administration and WKCDA would report to the	
	Mr MA Fung-kwok Admin WKCDA	The Administration advised that it would fully fund the capital works of the integrated basement and would seek funding from LegCo in phases for the implementation of the basement. The first funding application for the advance public infrastructure works for Zone 3A (i.e. the M+portion) and the design for Zone 3B of the integrated basement was awaiting consideration by the Public Works Subcommittee ("PWSC"), while the second application would be submitted to LegCo around mid 2015. The development of both Batch 1 and Batch 2 facilities would be affected if the approval of these funding applications by the Finance Committee ("FC") was delayed. The Administration was requested to advise in writing the latest schedule for the phased submission of funding applications for the implementation of the integrated basement to LegCo and the estimated amount of funding to be sought in each application. Miss CHAN Yuen-han also urged the Administration and WKCDA to follow up expeditiously members' concerns about the provision of parking spaces, retail, dining and entertainment facilities and piers in WKCD. Mr MA Fung-kwok Admin WKCDA Ms Starry LEE Mr MA Fung-kwok and Ms Starry LEE expressed concern about the impact of the delay in the consideration of the funding application for the integrated basement on the implementation progress of the WKCD project. They enquired whether the Administration had formulated any concrete plans to secure the required funding for the relevant works if FC's funding approval was further delayed or if the funding application was not approved by FC. Ms LEE also expressed concern about the cost implication of such delay. The Administration advised that it was fully aware that any delay in obtaining funding approval from FC for the implementation of the integrated basement would have significant time and cost implications on the development of the whole WKCD. The Administration was in discussion with WKCDA on possible alternative options for funding the implementation of the integrated basement

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		Mr MA Fung-kwok pointed out that the local film industry was dissatisfied that the planning of WKCD had not taken into account the industry's needs and concerns. He sought the Administration/WKCDA's response to the industry's requests that elements of film should be incorporated in the development of WKCD and appropriate venues/facilities should be provided in WKCD for the screening of films and staging of large-scale film-related events (e.g. film premieres and film awards ceremonies).	
		WKCDA responded that it had met with representatives of the local film community to understand their views and suggestions about the development of WKCD. WKCDA would explore the feasibility of increasing the seating capacity of the Lyric Theatre from 1 200 to 1 450 and making it available for the staging of large-scale film-related events, and consider the suggestion for providing more facilities for film in WKCD having regard to, among others, the availability of similar facilities in the vicinity. Furthermore, film was covered in the discipline of Moving Image, which was an important part of the collection of M+.	
		On Ms Starry LEE's enquiry about the measures taken by the Administration and WKCDA in the past year to enhance the accessibility and connectivity of WKCD, WKCDA advised that it had been working closely with the Transport Department on the planning and implementation of measures to improve the accessibility of WKCD and enhance the connectivity of WKCD with the adjoining developments and neighbouring districts. Free ferry service was provided for the first time during the Freespace Fest held on 22 and 23 November 2014, and it was well received by the participants using the service. WKCDA would continue to follow up issues relating to the provision of marine landing facilities and marine transport service in WKCD.	
010050 - 010711	Mr CHAN Chi-chuen Admin WKCDA	Mr CHAN Chi-chuen sought information on the Administration's target schedule for securing PWSC's endorsement and FC's approval of the funding application for the advance works for Zone 3A (i.e. the M+ portion) and the design for Zone 3B of the integrated basement. He also enquired whether it was possible for WKCDA to absorb the costs of these works, which were estimated to be about \$0.3 billion. The Administration advised that —	

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		(a) members were advised at the meeting of the Joint Subcommittee in May 2014 that the Administration planned to seek FC's approval of the funding application for the advance works for Zone 3A (i.e. the M+ portion) and the design for Zone 3B of the integrated basement in mid-2014. In view of the urgent implementation timeframe of M+, the Administration had been considering to invite the contractor awarded with the foundation works of M+ to also undertake the advance works for Zone 3A of the integrated basement so that the relevant works could be expedited. Given that the foundation works of M+ were scheduled for completion by August 2015, a decision as to whether to entrust the contractor with the advance works for the M+ portion of the integrated basement would have to be taken by January 2015 the latest;	
		(b) as the timely completion of the respective advance works in the M+ portion and the design for Zone 3B of the integrated basement were part and parcel of the M+ development in Zone 3A and WKCDA facilities in Zone 3B, any delay in funding approval by FC would have significant cost and time implications to the development of M+ as well as other venues to be constructed there. Assuming a rate of construction cost escalation of 6% per annum, the construction cost of M+ could increase by over \$20 million per month of delay; and	
		(c) while FC's approval was pending, the Administration and WKCDA would examine the options available, including whether it was feasible for WKCDA to deploy the endowment fund to meet the costs of the relevant works, taking into account, among others, the scope of the endowment fund approved by FC and the possible impact on WKCDA's financial position.	
		In response to Mr CHAN's enquiry on the Freespace Fest 2014, WKCDA advised that it had originally planned to make Freespace Fest a paid ticketed event this year for the first time, with an admission charge of \$50. In the light of Hong Kong's latest situation and having considered that the whole of the western portion of the WKCD site would be closed for construction works of Freespace and the Park including the Arts Pavilion in 2015, WKCDA had subsequently decided to make it a free event, which was in line with the arrangement adopted in the previous two years, so as to allow as many people to enjoy the WKCD site	

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		in the last installment of Freespace Fest in 2014 as possible before the construction works started. This arrangement had received positive response, as evidenced by an increase in the number of participants from 20 000 in 2012 and 30 000 in 2013 to over 43 000 in 2014.	
010712 - 011242	The Deputy Chairman WKCDA	The Deputy Chairman said that the large number of artistic and creative works on the "Umbrella Movement" that could be seen around Hong Kong had shown that creativity among members of the public could be inspired and promoted so long as they were provided with the space for artistic expression. He was aware that a group of local artists and arts administrators were working on preserving, documenting and archiving these artworks. He enquired whether WKCDA had any plans to include such works in its museum collection, given the importance of the "Umbrella Movement" in the history of Hong Kong and China.	
		WKCDA responded that -	
		(a) WKCDA had not been formally approached on keeping such works; and	
		(b) the artistic and creative works relevant to the "Umbrella Movement" would be considered in the same way as other works and acquisitions in accordance with the guidelines and procedures as laid down in the M+ Acquisition Policy. It was still premature at this stage to consider acquiring or keeping the works.	
011243 - 011706	Ms Cyd HO Admin WKCDA	Ms Cyd HO considered that WKCDA should make good use of multimedia technologies to complement its efforts in promoting cultural software development. Noting that WKCDA had organized a large number of audience building and capacity building programmes/activities, she suggested that WKCDA should make video records of these programmes/activities and upload them onto its website and/or other social media websites where practicable, so as to bring these programmes/activities to the wider community.	
		WKCDA responded that to provide a more effective platform for communication and engagement with the public and stakeholders, WKCDA had revamped its website with enhanced functionality and interactive content. Information about WKCDA's programmes and events were made available and presented in different ways on the website for viewing by the public. WKCDA would continue to use its website as a major tool to	

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		build audiences and increase engagement with the community as a whole.	•
011707 - 012206	Ms Emily LAU Admin	Ms Emily LAU sought clarification whether the delay of the XRL project would have any impact on the implementation of the Batch 1 and Batch 2 facilities. She also expressed concern about the high cost estimate of the integrated basement and questioned the need for the massive scale of the basement.	
		The Administration advised that –	
		(a) the construction of the Batch 1 facilities (i.e. Xiqu Centre, M+, Freespace and the Park including the Arts Pavilion), which were located at the eastern and western ends of WKCD, was generally not affected by the XRL works in WKCD. However, coordination between the Xiqu Centre project and the XRL project would be required to deal with the interface issues involved in the construction of the Austin Road West Underpass in 2016/17. As regards the WKCD site area between Xiqu Centre and M+, part of it was currently occupied by MTRCL for the construction of WKT. The Batch 2 facilities (i.e. Centre for Contemporary Performance, Medium Theatre II and Lyric Theatre) to be constructed there would therefore be affected. As advised by MTRCL, subject to the progress of the XRL project, the last portion of the site area in Zone 3B would only be released around end 2016 whereas the site area in Zone 2A would be handed over in stages starting from early 2016; and	
		(b) the integrated basement was a key facility in the "City Park" conceptual plan designed by Foster + Partners and an integral part of the Development Plan for WKCD. The funding to be sought for the implementation of the integrated basement covered not only the cost of the foundations and substructure of the basement, but also the cost of the public infrastructure works in the basement which served to support the whole WKCD and had all along been planned to be funded by the Government.	
012207 - 012552	Miss CHAN Yuen-han Admin	Miss CHAN Yuen-han reiterated that as the construction of the Batch 2 facilities hinged on the implementation of the integrated basement, the Administration and WKCDA should formulate a contingency plan to secure the required funding for the basement so as to ensure that the Batch 2 facilities could be developed as scheduled.	

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mar ker		The Administration undertook to revert to the Joint Subcommittee on the outcome of its discussion with WKCDA on issues relating to the funding arrangement for the implementation of the integrated basement.	Requireu
012553 - 012949	Ms Cyd HO WKCDA Chairman	WKCDA was requested to advise in writing the amount of manpower and financial resources that it had deployed for making video records of its audience building and capacity building programmes/activities and promoting the use of multi-media technologies to disseminate information about these programmes/activities to the public, as well as specific initiatives/projects undertaken by WKCDA in this regard.	WKCDA
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012950 - 013251	Admin	Briefing by the Administration on the proposal to extend two supernumerary directorate posts in the Home Affairs Bureau ("HAB"), namely one Principal Government Engineer (D3) and one Administrative Officer Staff Grade C (D2) who were designated as Project Manager (HAB) and Principal Assistant Secretary (WKCD) ("PAS(WKCD") respectively, for four years from 1 April 2015 to continue monitoring the implementation of the WKCD project ("the staffing proposal") [LC Paper No. CB(2)306/14-15(04)].	
013252 - 013752	Miss CHAN Yuen-han Admin	While expressing support for the staffing proposal, Miss CHAN Yuen-han considered that HAB should assume a more proactive role in steering the development of WKCD, which included formulating concrete plans to resolve the various problems being faced by the WKCD project, and enhance its monitoring of the work of WKCDA to ensure that it could meet the community (in particular youth) expectations in various aspects. The Permanent Secretary for Home Affairs ("PSHA") advised that WKCDA was an independent statutory body, with the Chief Secretary for Administration ("CS") as the Board Chairman. HAB, as the policy bureau overseeing the arts and cultural policy, would give policy steer to as well as monitor WKCDA's work in implementing the WKCD project. WKCDA had recently appointed a Chief Operating Officer to support the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") in overseeing matters relating to infrastructural development of the WKCD project. HAB would work closely with WKCDA to press ahead with the various areas of work for WKCD.	

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013753 - 014150	Ms Emily LAU Admin	Ms Emily LAU expressed dissatisfaction that there was no concrete progress in the development of WKCD. She was also concerned about the effectiveness of the work of the Consultation Panel of WKCDA ("CP") and the coordination among HAB, WKCDA and other relevant parties in taking forward the WKCD project.	•
		PSHA advised that –	
		(a) the Government had announced in October 2014 the appointment of the new term of the Board of WKCDA, with new Board members. The Board would hold the first meeting in its new term in December 2014; and	
		(b) subsequent to the Joint Subcommittee's discussion on CP's role and functions in June 2014, CS as the Chairman of the Board of WKCDA had attended a meeting of CP in August 2014 at which the role of CP going forward was discussed. It was agreed that CP would enhance its work in gauging and reflecting to WKCDA the views of the public, in particular young people and the relevant stakeholders, on matters relating to the WKCD development.	
		At Ms LAU's request, the Administration undertook to provide information in relation to the recent appointments to the Board of WKCDA.	Admin
014151 - 014940	Deputy Chairman Admin Chairman	In response to the Deputy Chairman's enquiry about the recent appointments to the Board of WKCDA, PSHA advised that the new term of the Board commenced on 23 October 2014. Of the 14 non-official Board members, eight of them were re-appointed while the other six were newly appointed.	
		The Deputy Chairman also sought the following information –	
		(a) incumbent Project Manager(HAB)'s response to the view raised by a Member of the Fourth LegCo that apart from candidates with engineering backgrounds, candidates from other professions, such as architects, should also be considered for the post of Project Manager(HAB); and	
		(b) the specific work undertaken by PAS(WKCD) in discharging the role of a bridge between the Government and WKCDA.	

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market		Project Manager(HAB) and PAS(WKCD) responded that — (a) aside from monitoring the progress of building works in WKCD, a major duty of Project Manager(HAB) was to coordinate the planning and construction of infrastructure facilities within WKCD and its vicinity. While the post of Project Manager(HAB) could be taken up by an engineer or architect, the most crucial requirement of the post was that the appointee should possess relevant experience in overseeing major infrastructure projects. In carrying out his/her duties, Project Manager(HAB) had all along been supported by a senior architect, among others; and	Reguireu
		by a senior architect, among others; and (b) PAS(WKCD), as the representative of HAB, had been sitting as a member of the Executive Committee, Performing Arts Committee, Museum Committee and Remuneration Committee of WKCDA to monitor WKCDA's performance in various aspects and to ensure that it had carried out its work in accordance with the WKCDA Ordinance (Cap. 601) in a transparent and accountable manner. Given PAS(WKCD)'s role as a bridge between the Government and WKCDA, she had, for instance, provided for WKCDA's reference information on the experience of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department in the management of performing arts venues, so as to facilitate WKCDA's planning and development of the performing arts venues and facilities in WKCD.	
		On the Deputy Chairman's further enquiry about how CEO of WKCDA could raise his views and suggestions with CS, PSHA advised that channels were in place for CS, as the Chairman of the Board of WKCDA, to communicate directly and regularly with CEO and the Chairmen of the major committees of WKCDA. In addition, given the extensive scope of work involved in the implementation of the WKCD project, HAB had all along maintained close liaison with WKCDA to relay the Government's views and suggestions and to assist WKCDA to consult the WKCDA Board Chairman or relevant government bureaux/departments as appropriate.	
		Members did not raise objection to the Administration's submission of the staffing proposal to the Establishment Subcommittee for consideration.	

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014941 - 015042	Chairman	Closing remarks	

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