## Follow-up to Meeting of the Public Works Subcommittee Held on 20 June 2016

## Relating to PWSC(2016-17)4 459RO - Signature Project Scheme (Tai Po District) – Improving the Tourist Facilities at Lam Tsuen Wishing Square

At the Public Works Subcommittee meeting held on 20 June 2016, Hon WU Chi-wai enquired about the criteria and mechanism to be adopted by the Tai Po District Council (TPDC) in monitoring the performance of the Tai Po Lam Tsuen Heung Educational Development Company Limited (the partner organisation) in the management, operation and maintenance of the Lam Tsuen Wishing Square, as well as the consideration factors and mechanism for renewal of the partner organisation's appointment upon contract expiry. At the request of the Member, the Government provides the relevant information below.

2. TPDC, with the support of the Tai Po District Office (TPDO), will monitor the performance of the partner organisation in implementing the "Improving the Tourist Facilities at Lam Tsuen Wishing Square". TPDO and the partner organisation will enter into a service agreement which will cover the term of agreement, the scope of services and related indicators, obligations of the partner organisation, and monitoring mechanism, etc.

3. TPDC will monitor the operation of the project according to the terms of the service agreement, including reviewing the separate accounts and records of the project prepared by the partner organisation, annual audited accounts and progress reports submitted at intervals of not more than quarterly, and annual business plans submitted before the commencement of the following year, etc. The partner organisation shall also provide information related to the project at the request of TPDC or TPDO.

4. TPDC will also assess the partner organisation's performance in implementing the project with reference to the scope of services and related indicators as specified in the service agreement, for example, the utilisation rate of the covered performance stage and football pitch, leasing rate of the permanent stalls, the number and feedback of participants of activities held, and financial sustainability, etc. In case of any under-performance, the partner organisation is required to provide justifications and improve its performance.

5. TPDC will consider thoroughly the partner organisation's performance in all aspects of the service agreement so as to assess its overall performance before deciding whether to renew the agreement.

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