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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PANEL ON WELFARE SERVICES

Kwun Tong "Government, Institution or Community"
Composite Development Project and
Relocation of Vocational Training Services
for Persons with Disabilities

Purpose

This paper briefs Members on Kwun Tong "Government, Institution or Community" composite development project and relocation of vocational training services for persons with disabilities.

Present situation

- 2. The government has proposed a composite development project in a "Government, Institution or Community" site encompassed by Kwun Tong Road, Tsui Ping Road, Fuk Tong Road and Fuk Ning Road. The project aims not only to provide land for constructing a new civil service college, but also comprehensively revitalise the area with optimized utilization by providing more public facilities for the local communities such as a new public transport interchange, a district health centre, a green walkway and more public open spaces. In addition, there will be an elevated walkway system connecting the Kwun Tong MTR station and two Kwun Tong revitalisation projects, namely the Urban Renewal Authority Kwun Tong Town Centre redevelopment project and the core business district in Kowloon East, thereby enhancing the overall connectivity of the district to create greater synergy.
- 3. To tie in with the composite development project, the Vocational Training Council (VTC) will return the present site of the Shine Skills Centre (SSC) (Kwun Tong) to the Government in the fourth quarter of 2021. Trainees currently enrolled in the SSC (Kwun Tong) or to be enrolled in 2019 will not be affected. The Government will search for a site in the urban area for a new training centre for the relocation of vocational training services for persons with disabilities. The Government will ensure that the new training centre will come into operation in September 2021. In the interim, the Government will work closely with the VTC to assure a smooth transitional arrangement for all trainees enrolling in the SSC (Kwun Tong) in 2020. The overarching principle is to ensure a smooth transition and provision of effective support services for special school students with training and employment needs.

Way forward

4. The Government will consult the Kwun Tong District Council to gauge the local community's views on the composite development project. The Government has identified a site in the urban area with convenient public transport for relocating the vocational training services for persons with disabilities. We would announce the details at a later stage after discussion and consultation with relevant stakeholders including the District Council concerned.

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