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Dear Ms JAN,

**Legislative Council Panel on Welfare Services  
Follow-up Actions for Meeting on 11 March 2019**

**Community Investment and Inclusion Fund**

At the meeting of the Panel on Welfare Services held on 11 March 2019, the Government was requested to provide (a) the themes of previous projects of the Community Investment and Inclusion Fund (CIIF) since its establishment in 2002; and (b) a written response to views expressed by deputations on the CIIF.

(a) The application themes of projects since the establishment of the CIIF in 2002

The Government set up the CIIF to promote social capital development through encouraging mutual support in the neighbourhood, community participation and cross-sectoral partnerships. Since its establishment, the CIIF has tied in with the changing needs in the community and significant challenges experienced in Hong Kong, for example, the Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) and the special needs of families in Tin Shui Wai, etc., by developing corresponding themes in a timely manner to address community needs, with a view to scaling up the impact of social capital development.

With a view to responding to the needs of the community more effectively, the CIIF has developed specific application themes for each application batch since the

12th batch of applications in 2007-08<sup>1</sup>. At the same time, the CIIF also welcomes organisations to submit applications not under the application themes. All applications are assessed based on the same assessment criteria. Previous application themes for the CIIF are set out in Annex.

(b) Written response to views expressed by deputations on the CIIF

There were views expressed by deputations on the CIIF at the aforementioned meeting. Our response to those views is set out below –

The Chief Executive announced in the 2018 Policy Address that we will regularise the community support programmes for new public rental housing estates (PRHs) through the CIIF. To ensure the availability of adequate and appropriate services at the resident-intake of new PRHs to assist the residents of new PRHs to establish support networks, we will plan for the community network building projects in a proactive manner and provide funding through the CIIF, so as to assist residents and their families to integrate into the new community as soon as possible. Under this new initiative, the number of community support programmes for new PRHs to be funded will be subject to district needs and the number of tenants of new PRHs. There is no pre-set level of maximum funding for each project. The duration of funding for the projects would be “N+36 months”, in which “N” represents the time required for resident-intake of the new PRHs concerned, and “36 months” represents the maximum duration of approval.

If there is continued service need in individual district after the completion of the funded projects, depending on the circumstances in the district and service demand, the Government will collaborate with the government departments and non-governmental organisations (NGOs) concerned etc. for deploying community resources (including the CIIF) for the provision of suitable services to residents.

Besides, as a general practice, without involving additional premises, to facilitate the provision of community support outreaching services, after discussion with the Social Welfare Department, the Hong Kong Housing Authority will provide suitable non-domestic premises not yet in use, such as Mutual Aid Committee offices, to the NGOs concerned temporarily for the provision of support outreaching services.

As regards the manpower of the programmes, the community support programmes for new PRHs mainly aim to assist new residents to adapt to the community as soon as possible and to facilities them in developing neighbourhood support network. The manpower arrangements of these programmes are to be planned by the applicant organisations subject to the number of tenants of individual new PRHs,

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<sup>1</sup> To meet the community's needs to respond to SARS, the CIIF had set this as a specific application theme in 2002-03.

the needs and characteristics of the districts concerned and the new residents, the duration of the programmes etc.

Application details and implementation model of the community support programmes for new PRHs have been announced on 15 April 2019. For details, please refer to the website of the CIIF ([https://www.ciif.gov.hk/download/en/grantee-platform/report-forms-download/apply\\_guide\\_community\\_prog.pdf](https://www.ciif.gov.hk/download/en/grantee-platform/report-forms-download/apply_guide_community_prog.pdf)). The Government will continue to maintain communications with stakeholders in districts, so that there will be suitable CIIF-funded programmes during the resident intakes of the new PRH estates concerned, providing services and assisting residents to adapt to and get involved in the new community as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,



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for Secretary for Labour and Welfare

c.c. Secretary General, the CIIF Secretariat

**Community Investment and Inclusion Fund (CIIF)  
Application Themes**

Previous application themes for the CIIF are listed out as follows –

Year	Application Batch	Application Theme	Target group
2002-03	2	Projects for facing the challenge of SARS	Residents
2007-08	12	Social Capital Building Projects in Tin Shui Wai	Residents in Tin Shui Wai
2008-09	13	Home, Community and School Collaboration Model	Family
	14	Enhancing Youth Employability and Development	Youth
2009-10	15	Power of Resilience at times of Adversity	Residents
2010-11	16	Power of Resilience at Times of Adversity – Power up Families and Community	Residents
	17	Social Capital – Cross-sectoral Support Networks for the Carers	Residents
2011-12	18	Building Safe and Friendly Community Networks	Residents
2012-13	19	Build a Caring Network Nurture the Young Generation	Youth
	20	Build a Caring Cross-generation Network	Youth and elderly
2013-14	21	Nurturing Children for a Caring Future	Children
2014-15	22	Join Hands to Unleash Our Community's Power	Residents
	23	Tripartite Partnership to Give Family Support	Family
2015-16	24	New Communities New Networks	Residents
2016-17	25	New Horizon with Strengthened Mutual Support Networks among Senior Citizens and the Community	Elderly
	26	Bringing Generations Together for a Caring Community	Elderly and youth
2017-18	27	Team Up • Teens Up	Youth
2018-19	28	Networking in Place, Ageing with Grace	Elderly
	29	City In Sync with Kids	Children