

**Legislative Council Panel on Welfare Services
Meeting on 11 May 2020**

**Annual briefing on welfare facility projects
funded by the Lotteries Fund**

Supplementary Information

At the meeting of the Legislative Council Panel on Welfare Services on 11 May 2020, the Government briefed Members on the new welfare facility projects which the Government planned to seek funding from the Lotteries Fund (LF) in 2020-21. Members requested the Government to provide the following information in writing after the meeting:

- (a) the number of contract residential care homes for the elderly (RCHEs) funded by LF for construction which were currently in operation and had adopted a ratio of subsidised to non-subsidised places higher than 6:4;
- (b) the number of contract RCHEs funded by LF for construction which had yet to commence operation, but would adopt a ratio of subsidised to non-subsidised places higher than 6:4.

This paper provides the requested information as follows.

2. The Social Welfare Department (SWD) will set the optimal ratio of subsidised to non-subsidised places for newly-built contract RCHEs one or two years before completion of construction, taking into account a number of factors, including the provision and utilisation of non-subsidised places of the RCHEs in the vicinity, the socio-economic situations of the locality where the contract RCHE is located, etc.

3. As at end-March 2020, 18 out of the 34 contract RCHEs currently in operation had a ratio of subsidised to non-subsidised places higher than 6:4. There were 28 contract RCHEs funded by LF for construction which had yet to commence operation. Amongst them, 5 of them had their ratio of subsidised to non-subsidised places already confirmed to be higher than

6:4 at this stage. For the remaining 23 contract RCHEs which were still under planning, their ratio of subsidised to non-subsidised places would be set by SWD in accordance with the principles set out in paragraph 2 above in due course.

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