Extract from minutes of meeting between LegCo Members and Sham Shui Po District Council members on 9 June 2005

Members present: Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee, JP (Convenor)

Hon James TO Kun-sun Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong

Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing, GBS, JP Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee, GBS, JP

By invitation : Sham Shui Po District Council

Mr TAM Kwok-kiu, MH (Chairman)

Mr LEUNG Lai (Vice-chairman)

Mr CHAN Keng-chau Mr CHONG Chi-tat

Mr KWOK Chun-wah, MH Ms LAI Wai-lan, Tracy Mr LAM Ka-fai, Aaron Mr LEUNG Yau-fong

Mr LI Hon-hung Ms NG Mei, Carman Mr TAM Kwok-hung

Mr WONG Kam-kuen, MH Ms WONG Kwai-wan

Staff in attendance: Ms Pauline NG

Assistant Secretary General 1

Ms Guy YIP

Council Secretary (1)1

Mr Anthony CHU Council Secretary (1)2

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VI. Follow up to the Outstanding Leisure and Cultural Services Projects of the Former Municipal Councils

38. The Convenor briefed the meeting that a Subcommittee to Follow Up the Outstanding Leisure and Cultural Services Projects of the Former Municipal Councils (the Subcommittee) had been established under the LegCo Panel on Home Affairs to follow up the outstanding projects of the former Municipal Councils. The Subcommittee had written to the Chairmen of the 18 District

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Councils, inviting them to express their views on the Administration's paper by 14 June 2005.

- 39. The Chairman of SSPDC pointed out that toilets were not included in the planning for Sham Shui Po Park Stage II, and the nearest available public toilet was at Lai Kok Estate. However, the sanitary conditions of this public toilet were far from satisfactory. SSPDC members had held discussions with the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) about including the construction of a toilet in Sham Shui Po Park Stage II, but LCSD indicated that any amendment to the plan would delay the progress of the entire project and the completion date. Therefore, SSPDC agreed to the design of Sham Shui Po Park Stage II. The LCSD undertook to actively seek resources to construct a toilet at Sham Shui Po Park. Mr CHAN Keng-chau added that the Estate Management Committee agreed to demolish the public toilet at Lai Kok Estate and build a new one at Sham Shui Po Park.
- 40. In view of the unhygienic conditions and bad odour at the Lai Kok Estate toilet, Ms WONG Kwai-wan opined that the toilets under the management of LCSD would be in better conditions. Mr LAM Ka-fai pointed out that the toilet at Lai Kok Estate was built many years ago. Its design was outdated and its dilapidated facilities could hardly meet present-day standards. In response to Ms Miriam LAU's query about the maintenance and regular cleaning of toilets in the Park, Mr CHAN Keng-chau said that LCSD would be responsible for the work.
- Regarding the Tung Chau Street Complex, the Chairman of SSPDC 41. pointed out that SSPDC had discussed the matter in detail and strongly urged the Administration to expedite the construction of the Complex. In view of the rapid development of Sham Shui Po new reclamation area and the fact that the population there would ultimately reach 100 000, local residents were very much concerned about the provision of leisure and cultural facilities in the District. 2002, SSPDC commissioned the University of Hong Kong to study and assess the demand for market facilities by residents in Sham Shui Po new reclamation Regarding the choice of the site, the Tung Chau Street Complex could be relocated to the temporary bus-stop near the present Nam Cheong MTR Station to cater to the urgent need of the residents in the new buildings which would be completed and occupied in stages. He also said that in planning for the facilities in the Tung Chau Street Complex, the Government could consider including those facilities to be housed in the Complex originally planned to be built at Fuk Wing Street. The Chairman of SSPDC said that SSPDC would submit its views on the projects to the Subcommittee.

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