

Hong Kong Housing Authority

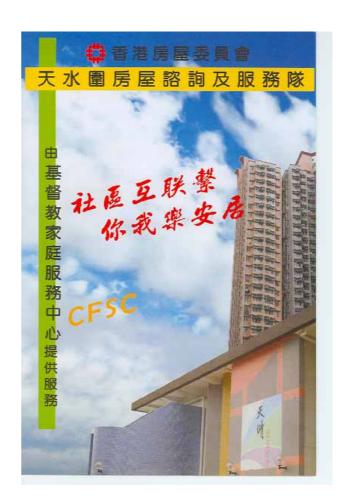
Review Findings of the Pilot Scheme on the Housing Advisory and Service Team in Tin Shui Wai



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Background

Launched on 16 April 2008 to operate for two years

Approved by the Housing Authority (HA) on 16
 November 2009 to extend the scheme for two

years, and to cover Tuen Mun,

Yuen Long and Tung Chung Districts





Effectiveness: Helped new tenants

 Conducted orientation briefings for 4 000 prospective tenants





Conducted 3 300 home visits





Effectiveness: Roadshows/Community Activities

Conducted 55 roadshows and community activities



Effectiveness: Facilitated the nongovernment organisations (NGOs)

Provided outreaching services



Despatched mooncakes to share the joy of Midautumn Festival



Colourful Life in

Effectiveness: Set up a telephone hotline

Provided consultation services to 2 000 tenants



Effectiveness: Feedback from various parties



 Opinion survey to the Estate Management Advisory Committees



Local NGOs



 Social Welfare Department (SWD), Home Affairs Department and local management of the Housing Department



Continuation and Extension of Services: Areas to be covered

- Extended from Tin Shui Wai to Tuen Mun, Yuen Long and Tung Chung Districts
 - □ Tenants are new arrivals, mostly low-income families who have little support from relatives or friends, and are unfamiliar with the living environment in the vicinity.







Yuen Long (including Tin Shui Wai) (12 housing estates)

Tuen Mun (8 housing estates)

Tung Chung (2 housing estates)

Continuation and Extension of Services: Other arrangements

- Staff size to increase from 11 to 15
- Appointment by tender
- NGOs on SWD's subvention list
- Provision of services for two years with effect from 16 April 2010
- Cost estimated at about \$5.4 million, depending on the tender results



Way Forward

To review the effectiveness of the extended scheme 18 months after its commencement (October 2011)

- End -

