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**Panel on Home Affairs**

**Minutes of meeting**  
**held on Thursday, 15 October 2015, at 11:30 am**  
**in Conference Room 1 of the Legislative Council Complex**

- Members present** : Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, JP (Chairman)  
Hon YIU Si-wing, BBS (Deputy Chairman)  
Hon WONG Ting-kwong, SBS, JP  
Hon Cyd HO Sau-lan, JP  
Dr Hon LAM Tai-fai, SBS, JP  
Hon IP Kwok-him, GBS, JP  
Hon Claudia MO  
Hon NG Leung-sing, SBS, JP  
Hon Steven HO Chun-yin, BBS  
Hon Frankie YICK Chi-ming, JP  
Hon WU Chi-wai, MH  
Hon MA Fung-kwok, SBS, JP  
Hon CHAN Chi-chuen  
Hon CHAN Han-pan, JP  
Dr Hon Kenneth CHAN Ka-lok  
Hon CHAN Yuen-han, SBS, JP  
Hon LEUNG Che-cheung, BBS, MH, JP  
Hon Christopher CHEUNG Wah-fung, SBS, JP  
Hon IP Kin-yuen  
Hon TANG Ka-piu, JP  
Hon Christopher CHUNG Shu-kun, BBS, MH, JP  
Hon Tony TSE Wai-chuen, BBS
- Member absent** : Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung
- Clerk in attendance** : Ms Joanne MAK  
Chief Council Secretary (2) 3

**Staff in attendance** : Miss Flora TAI  
Assistant Secretary General 2

Miss Karen LAI  
Senior Council Secretary (2) 6

Miss Cindy HO  
Senior Council Secretary (2) 3

Miss Connie AU  
Council Secretary (2) 3

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**I. Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman**

Election of Chairman

Ms Starry LEE Wai-king, the incumbent Chairman, called for nominations for the chairmanship of the Panel for the 2015-2016 session. Ms Starry LEE was nominated by Mr Steven HO and the nomination was seconded by Mr CHAN Han-pan. Ms Starry LEE accepted the nomination.

2. Mr YIU Si-wing, the incumbent Deputy Chairman, took over from Ms Starry LEE to preside over the election and called for other nominations. Ms Cyd HO was nominated by Mr WU Chi-wai and the nomination was seconded by Dr Kenneth CHAN. Ms Cyd HO accepted the nomination.

3. As there was no other nomination, Mr YIU Si-wing announced a vote by secret ballot. 16 and six members voted for Ms Starry LEE and Ms Cyd HO respectively. Mr YIU declared Ms Starry LEE elected as the Chairman of the Panel for the 2015-2016 session. Ms Starry LEE then took the chair.

Election of Deputy Chairman

4. The Chairman called for nominations for the deputy chairmanship of the Panel. Mr YIU Si-wing was nominated by Mr MA Fung-kwok and the nomination was seconded by Mr WONG Ting-kwong. Mr YIU Si-wing accepted the nomination. The Chairman called for other nominations.

5. Ms Cyd HO was nominated by Mr WU Chi-wai and the nomination was seconded by Dr Kenneth CHAN. Ms Cyd HO accepted the nomination.

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6. As there was no other nomination, the Chairman announced a vote by secret ballot. 16 and six members voted for Mr YIU Si-wing and Ms Cyd HO respectively. The Chairman declared Mr YIU Si-wing elected as the Deputy Chairman of the Panel for the 2015-2016 session.

**II. Schedule of meetings for the 2015-2016 session**

7. Members agreed that the Panel would continue to hold its regular meetings on the second Friday of each month from 8:30 am to 10:30 am. Members agreed to adopt the proposed meeting schedule which was tabled at the meeting. Members also agreed that -

- (a) as 8 to 10 February 2016 would be Chinese new year holidays, the regular meeting in February would be rescheduled to Friday, 5 February 2016, at 10:45 am;
- (b) in line with the previous practice of the Panel, the regular meeting in March would be rescheduled to Friday, 18 March 2016, at 8:30 am; and
- (c) as the special Finance Committee meetings would be held on 1 and 5 to 8 April, the regular meeting in April would be rescheduled to Tuesday, 12 April 2016, at 4:30 pm.

*(Post-meeting note: The schedule of the regular meetings of the Panel for the 2015-2016 session was issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(2)48/15-16.)*

**III. Items for discussion at the next meeting**

[Appendices II and III to LC Paper No. CB(2)5/15-16]

Regular meeting in November 2015

8. The Panel agreed to discuss the following two items proposed by the Administration at the next regular meeting to be held on 13 November 2015 at 8:30 am -

- (a) development of arts space and a permanent office of Hong Kong Arts Development Council at ex-Aberdeen Fire Station site; and

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- (b) enhancement measures of Enhancing Self-Reliance Through District Partnership Programme.

Other issues raised by members

*Avenue of Stars ("AoS")*

9. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen said that the Panel had not been consulted on the AoS works plan. He suggested that the Leisure and Cultural Services Department ("LCSD") should provide the relevant information to the Panel as soon as possible. Ms Claudia MO said that the AoS works plan had aroused wide public concern as it had not undergone public consultation. She further said that while the Administration claimed that there was no need to apply for funding from the Legislative Council ("LegCo") because the project would be implemented by the "partnership" approach, she noted that LegCo did play a role in other projects which were also implemented by the "partnership" approach. She considered that there was urgency to discuss the subject in view of the closure plan of AoS, and requested to discuss it at the next meeting. Mr IP Kwok-him said that he did not object to discussing the subject but expressed reservations about the need to discuss it at the next meeting, adding that the District Council ("DC") concerned had been consulted on the relevant works plan.

10. Dr Kenneth CHAN considered it inadequate for the Administration to have consulted only the DC concerned but not LegCo. He said that the current public engagement on Tsim Sha Tsui waterfront design was a sham public consultation, which was a good example of inadequacies of the arrangements made by the Administration in the conduct of public consultation.

*Review of DCs*

11. Miss CHAN Yuen-han said that the Panel should discuss the review of DCs (i.e. item 7 of the list of outstanding items for discussion), such as their role and functions and resources allocation. She expressed concern that the Administration's undertaking to transfer part of the functions and powers of the former Municipal Councils to DCs had not been discharged. Mr IP Kwok-him expressed support for discussing the review of DCs, particularly their role and functions. Dr Kenneth CHAN said that the system of declaration of interests for DC members should also be covered when the review of DCs was discussed.

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*Legislative proposals*

12. Referring to the 2015-2016 legislative programme, Dr Kenneth CHAN expressed concern that only the Fixed Penalty (Public Cleanliness Offences) (Amendment) Bill would be introduced into LegCo in the first half of the current session. He requested the Chairman to enquire about the position of other legislative proposals that had previously been discussed by the Panel, namely those concerning the Hotel and Guesthouse Accommodation Ordinance (Cap. 349), the Chinese Temples Ordinance (Cap. 153) and the Building Management Ordinance (Cap. 344).

*Building management*

13. Expressing concern that Liaison Officers had to deal with more and more complex issues relating to building management especially for private buildings, Mr WU Chi-wai proposed to discuss the manpower position and establishment of Liaison Officers.

*Youth matters*

14. Mr IP Kin-yuen proposed to discuss the work of the Commission on Youth and the Committee on the Promotion of Civic Education and their role as well as the ways to enhance youth participation in their work. He also suggested that the Administration should update the Panel on the development of uniform groups in Hong Kong.

*Cemeteries for fishermen*

15. Mr Steven HO proposed to discuss issues relating to cemeteries for fishermen, including the management of these cemeteries and eligibility criteria for application.

*Cultural venues*

16. Mr CHAN Han-pan said that there was over-subscription of performing venues and community halls. He proposed to discuss the adequacy of cultural venues to meet service demand. Mr Christopher CHUNG proposed that the Panel should discuss the Venue Partnership Scheme to review its effectiveness.

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*Sports facilities*

17. Mr Christopher CHUNG proposed to discuss the booking system of sports facilities of LCS D with a view to tackling problems like touting activities. He also proposed to discuss the provision of soccer pitches in districts and the need for improvement work to some artificial turf soccer pitches in Hong Kong. In particular, he expressed concern about the feedback from the sports sector that the use of certain substandard artificial turf soccer pitches might hinder the development of soccer. He also considered it necessary for the Administration to give an update on the reconstruction of the Hong Kong Stadium Turf Pitch.

18. The Chairman said that she would liaise with the Administration on the above proposals and revert to members later.

**IV. Any other business**

Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project (the "Joint Subcommittee")

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19. The Chairman informed members that the Joint Subcommittee formed by the Panel and the Panel on Development would continue its work in the 2015-2016 session. She further said that the membership of the Joint Subcommittee would be re-opened to members of the two Panels, and that it would be for the Joint Subcommittee to decide at its first meeting in this session whether re-election of its Chairman and Deputy Chairman was necessary.

20. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 12:05 pm.