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#### Legislative Council Panel on Home Affairs District-led Actions Scheme: Progress Report

#### **Purpose**

This paper briefs Members on the work progress of the District-led Actions Scheme.

#### **Background**

- 2. In December 2014, we reported to the Panel on the "District Administration Pilot Scheme" (Pilot Scheme) which was launched in Sham Shui Po and Yuen Long in April 2014, and would last for 17 months to conclude in August 2015. The Pilot Scheme empowered the District Management Committees (DMCs) chaired by the District Officers to tackle some problems relating to environmental hygiene and district management. The Pilot Scheme responded proactively to community needs and was well received and supported by the local communities.
- 3. In the light of the positive outcomes of the Pilot Scheme, the Chief Executive announced in his Policy Address in January this year to extend the scheme to 18 districts, to be known as the District-led Actions Scheme (DAS), with a view to tackling district problems which are long-standing, of large magnitude, and complex, and capitalising on local opportunities.
- 4. DAS follows the concept of "addressing district issues at the local level and capitalising on local opportunities". On one hand, we tackle issues on management of public area and district problems through the DMCs chaired by District Officers, with the active participation of District Councils (DCs) and the collaboration of relevant government departments. On the other hand, the DMCs identify actively local opportunities in the districts, with a view to providing appropriate services and enhancing living quality of the community.

5. To implement DAS in all 18 districts, the Government provides from 2016-17 financial year onwards, an additional annual funding of \$63 million, and creates 38 new civil service posts and 33 contract staff posts. All posts have been created under the Home Affairs Department, the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD), 18 District Offices (DOs) and the Lands Department (LandsD).

#### **Progress of DAS**

6. Since April 2016, 18 DOs have been implementing a total of 39 projects, including 34 projects relating to management of local issues, such as improving environmental hygiene conditions, enhancing anti-mosquito work, curbing shop front extension (SFE), and clearing illegally parked bicycles. Besides, five projects aim to capitalise on local opportunities for enhancing the living quality of residents and community facilities in response to the unique circumstances and needs of respective districts. Please refer to paragraphs 7 – 10 below for the progress of work in various districts in addressing major district problems.

#### **Addressing District Issues**

- (a) Curbing shop front extensions (SFE)
- 7. Out of the 18 districts, six, namely, Kwun Tong, North District, Sai Kung, Tsuen Wan, Tuen Mun and Yuen Long, have selected curbing SFE as a major initiative under DAS. The relevant DOs have tapped the inter-departmental efforts in curbing SFE through public education and publicity, as well as joint enforcement actions at SFE black spots in the districts. On the whole, the SFE situation has improved significantly over the past few months, allowing smoother pedestrian flow.
- (b) Clearance of illegally parked bicycles
- 8. Targeting the problem of illegally-parked bicycles that causes obstruction to passenger walkways, five DOs (including Islands, North District, Sha Tin, Tuen Mun and Yuen Long) and relevant government departments including LandsD and FEHD have implemented joint enforcement actions against illegally-parked bicycles at black spots. The situation at many black spots of the above-mentioned districts has already improved.

#### (c) Improving environmental hygiene conditions

9. Seven out of 18 districts (including Central and Western, Eastern, Southern, Wan Chai, Kowloon City, Islands and Tai Po) have selected improving environmental hygiene conditions as one of their DAS projects. For example, in August this year, Southern DO, the Marine Department and relevant departments conducted a special cleansing operation to improve marine hygiene conditions in the vicinity of Aberdeen Typhoon Shelter. Tai Po DO also conducted a large-scale coastal cleanup in Tap Mun in November. Central and Western DO, in collaboration with the FEHD, stepped up cleansing work in the vicinity of Lan Kwai Fong before and after Halloween in late October.

#### (d) Enhancing anti-mosquito efforts

10. With resources from DAS, a number of DOs have been working with FEHD, LandsD, Drainage Services Department and Leisure and Cultural Services Department to step up anti-mosquito work in the districts, including the promotion of anti-mosquito messages and the enhancement of anti-mosquito efforts at more than 300 territory-wide black spots. The DOs will keep up the efforts.

#### **Projects Capitalising on Local Opportunities**

On capitalising on local opportunities, Yau Tsim Mong DO has 11. launched the Hearing Care Action to enhance the community's understanding and awareness of aural protection through public education, and to provide free aural testing for local residents. The relevant service was launched in September, with about 540 local residents provided with free aural testing. Sha Tin DO has introduced the project "Creation of Space to Address District Needs" which aims to develop the land underneath the Sha Lek Highway by three stages. Sha Tin DO expects that some of the facilities would come into operation in early 2017. Other projects capitalising on local opportunities include the establishment of a community resource centre in Wong Tai Sin, and the introduction of electric carts at Pak Tam Chung in Sai Kung. These projects involve alteration works and tendering procedures which require relatively longer lead time for implementation. DOs are working actively to take forward these projects.

12. The projects of the various districts and the relevant progress are set out in the Annex.

#### **Way Forward**

13. The DOs, DCs and relevant government departments will continue to make good use of DAS resources to capitalise on local opportunities and tackle district problems. The districts will set their work plan in the coming year taking into account local needs and priorities, and in consultation with the DCs.

#### **Advice Sought**

14. Members are invited to note and comment on the contents of the paper.

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#### **Annex**

# District-led Actions Scheme (DAS) Progress of Implementation in 18 Districts (as at end-November 2016)

### (A) Projects to Address District Issues

District	Project	Progress
Central &	Enhancing Local	Under DAS, Central and Western District
Western	Environmental	Office (C&WDO) provided resources to the
	Hygiene	Food and Environmental Hygiene Department
		(FEHD) to recruit dedicated staff for the
		provision of cleansing services at (i) public
		areas, private streets and rear lanes in the
		district where environmental hygiene problems
		were more serious; and (ii) hygiene black spots
		where the problem of animal droppings was
		serious.
		There are three rounds of cloonsing services
		There are three rounds of cleansing services under DAS, each covering 30 locations in the
		district for about two months. C&WDO will
		consult members of C&W District Council
		(C&WDC) and Area Committees as well as
		other stakeholders after each round of cleansing
		services, so as to review the effectiveness of the
		services and to identify areas for enhancement
		and improvement (e.g. locations and frequency
		of services, etc).
		The first round of cleansing services was
		carried out in the period from 15 August to
		October 2016. The results of consultation
		conducted by C&WDO indicated that most of
		the respondents considered the cleansing

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		services effective. The second round of cleansing services started on 1 November 2016 and will be completed in mid-January 2017. The third round of cleansing services will then follow and to be completed on 31 March 2017.
		From September to December 2016, C&WDO launched various public education activities. For example, the "DAS in Central: Lan Kwai Fong Clean and Shines" Campaign was carried out by C&WDO jointly with C&WDC, Food and Health Bureau, FEHD and Lan Kwai Fong Association to enhance cleansing services and conduct publicity (such as distributing promotional leaflets and souvenirs) in the Lan Kwai Fong area before and after Halloween. It is hoped that through strengthening the cleansing efforts in a targeted manner (at specific time and location), we can raise the awareness of the public and shopkeepers on keeping the environment clean.
Eastern	Enhancing Anti-mosquito Efforts	Since 13 June 2016, FEHD has started deploying DAS resources to strengthen the anti-mosquito measures in the district.  Since July 2016, with the support of Eastern District Office (EDO), the Leisure and Cultural
		Services Department (LCSD) has stepped up their anti-mosquito efforts (including increasing frequency of fogging operations) in the LCSD-managed open spaces in the district. In October 2016, LCSD has completed the installation of 15 mosquito-trapping devices for 11 of its open spaces.

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		EDO has sent more than 1,000 advisory letters (together with promotional posters and leaflets) to residents organisations, schools, local organisations, etc. in the district to appeal to them to step up anti-mosquito measures.
		In June and July 2016, EDO, in collaboration with relevant departments, organised public education activities such as seminars and roving exhibitions, and distributed publicity materials to raise public awareness of curbing mosquito breeding.
	Enhancing Local Environmental Hygiene	Since 1 November 2016, FEHD has been improving the environmental hygiene conditions in the district through deploying additional cleansing squads (equipped with tipper lorries) engaged by an outsourced service contractor and the enhanced cleaning services carried out by street washing teams.  EDO, in collaboration with relevant
		departments, organised roving exhibitions and distributed publicity materials at the public estates in the district in October and November 2016 to raise public awareness of curbing mosquito breeding and improving environmental hygiene.
Southern	Improving the Overall Traffic Conditions of Aberdeen	The Southern District Office (SDO) has secured the assistance of Transport Department (TD) to appoint a consultant for conducting a study on the overall traffic conditions of Aberdeen to understand the traffic problems of the area, and work with relevant departments, District Council, the community and stakeholders to

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		identify options for improving the traffic conditions.
		On 7 December 2016, the Traffic and Transport Committee (T&TC) of the Southern District Council (SDC) organised a workshop to discuss the tender document for the consultancy study to ensure its scope and research will properly address the local issues and residents' requests. TD will commence the tendering exercise for engaging a consultant as soon as practicable, and T&TC will continue to follow up on the matter.
	Strengthening Action against Illegal Parking and Pick-up/Drop-off of Passengers in the	In July 2016, SDO collated views from SDC on the black spots of illegal parking and pick-up/drop-off activities, and passed those information to the Police for follow-up.
	Southern District	Currently, the Police has stepped up patrol and enforcement at 25 traffic black spots. They issue penalty tickets against illegal parking and other traffic offences. Furthermore, the Police conducted publicity and education activities for road users at various black spots in the district in collaboration with local stakeholders to enhance law-abiding awareness among road users.
	Stepping up Efforts to Address the Environmental Hygiene Problems in the Centre of	Under DAS, SDO has closely liaised with relevant departments / organisations on measures to improve the environmental hygiene of the district, including:
	Aberdeen and Aberdeen Typhoon	1) Stepping up cleansing at Old Main Street Aberdeen, Yue Fai Road and the Shek Pai

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	Shelter	Wan Lift Tower next to Aberdeen Kai-fong Welfare Association;
		2) To address the problem of marine refuse at the Aberdeen Typhoon Shelter, the Marine Department (MD) conducted a large scale scavenging operation in collaboration with other government departments on 21 August 2016. The Fish Marketing Organisation and Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department have reviewed the issue and introduced a series of enhancement measures at the Aberdeen Fish Market, including control of waste disposal at source, prevention of dumping at the Typhoon Shelter, enhancement of enforcement and management, as well as recycling/reducing the use of polyfoam containers, etc., in a bid to improve the cleanliness of the Fish Market and resolve the refuse problem arising from its operations. FEHD also increased manpower for stepping up the cleansing of the walkways near the Fish Market; and  3) SDO organised a "Forum on Cleansing of the Aberdeen Typhoon Shelter" on 13 October 2016 to enable stakeholders to exchange views on the problem of marine refuse at the Aberdeen Typhoon Shelter with relevant government departments.
Wan Chai	Enhancing Local Environmental Hygiene	Making use of DAS resources, FEHD has strengthened cleansing services for public and private streets in the district, including the streets in the vicinity of the two traditional wet

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		markets (Wan Chai Market and Bowrington Road Market), Cannon Street, O'Brien Road and the area near the bar zone on Lockhart Road.
		Wan Chai District Office (WCDO) has also engaged a contractor to provide cleansing services for seven private streets with poor environmental hygiene, as well as the common areas of about 150 "three-nil" buildings in the district.
		The provision of the cleansing services for "three-nil" buildings will end in late January next year. WCDO conducts weekly household visits to gauge residents' views on the cleansing services, and to distribute hygiene packs to call on residents to maintain environmental hygiene. Residents will also be encouraged to register as Resident Liaison Ambassadors (RLAs) to serve as a channel of communication between the residents of their buildings and the Government.
		WCDO will also actively assist residents of "three-nil" buildings in the formation of an owners' corporation (OC) with a view to improving building management. Talks will be held later to enhance residents' understanding on the formation of an OC and building management.
Islands	Efforts against Illegally Parked Bicycles	The first round of clearance operations on illegally parked bicycles conducted by Islands District Office (IsDO) in collaboration with FEHD, the Police and Islands District Lands

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		Office was completed at the end of August 2016. In the 13 joint clearance operations conducted in Cheung Chau, Peng Chau, Tung Chung and Lamma Island, all nine "priority spots" on clearance of illegally parked bicycles proposed by Islands District Council (IsDC) members were covered.
		From September this year onwards, clearance operations will be increased to a bi-weekly basis. This arrangement will be tried out for six months in the nine "priority spots" on a rotational basis.
	Enhancing Local Environmental Hygiene	Relevant departments have enhanced actions to improve environmental hygiene in 20 "priority spots" (located in Tung Chung, Tai O, Mui Wo, Cheung Chau, Lamma Island, Peng Chau and Discovery Bay respectively), including street cleansing, refuse clearance (including the refuse underneath the stilt houses in Tai O) and anti-rodent work. The number of operations have been increased from once a month to once a week on a need basis according to the individual hygiene conditions of the spots.  To enhance local awareness on DAS, site inspections on the efforts of various departments under DAS are being arranged for IsDC members. As at end-November, IsDO and DC members have conducted four joint site inspections on local environmental hygiene efforts in Tung Chung, Tai O and Peng Chau respectively.

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	Enhancing Anti-Mosquito and Grass-Cutting Efforts	The relevant departments have enhanced their anti-mosquito and grass-cutting efforts in 32 "priority spots" (located in Tung Chung, Mui Wo, Tai O, South Lantau, Cheung Chau, Lamma Island, Po Toi Island, Peng Chau and Discovery Bay respectively). The frequency of anti-mosquito and grass-cutting efforts has been increased on a need basis according to the actual situation of the spots.
Kowloon City	Enhancing Local Environmental Hygiene	From September onward, Kowloon City District Office (KCDO) has enhanced cleansing services of 37 "hygiene black spots" designated in consultation with DC members. KCDO has also followed up on a number of black spots of construction waste fly-tipping with the Environmental Protection Department and the Highways Department (HyD) as necessary. For privately-owned areas, KCDO and FEHD, together with DC members, will meet with representatives of the owners or management companies of private properties to advise them on specific improvement recommendations.  As for locations other than the "hygiene black spots", KCDO arranges for inspections from time to time to record any hygiene problems detected, which are then promptly referred to the relevant departments for follow-up actions and for them to provide regular updates and follow-up reports to the District Management Committee (DMC) and DC members. As at end-November, KCDO has referred a total of over 500 follow-up cases to the relevant departments respectively.

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		The hygiene conditions in the district have seen clear improvement since the implementation of DAS. The number of complaints received by FEHD regarding the hygiene conditions of pavements in Kowloon City has dropped from 18 in July and August to 10 in September and October, a decrease of nearly 45% in two months.
	Handling Tourism-related Issues	KCDO has compiled a list of "Gathering Spots for Tour Groups" and a list of "Illegal Coach Parking Black Spots" with reference to the locations proposed by DC members.
		In addition to enhancing the cleansing services for certain locations on the list of "Gathering Spots for Tour Groups", FEHD has also increased the number of facilities such as litter containers and ashtrays in these locations in response to the recommendations of KCDO. In September, KCDO briefed representatives of the tourism industry on DAS, recruited and trained District Tourism Ambassadors (DTAs). Since October, DTAs have called upon tourists to keep their gathering spots clean and maintain smooth passage, and also warned coach drivers against passenger pick-up/drop-off at restricted zones and illegal parking. They will also maintain close liaison with law enforcement departments, tourist guides and tour escorts as necessary.
		KCDO will follow up on tourism-related issues in the district with relevant departments including the Police, TD and the Tourism Commission, as well as representatives from

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		the Travel Industry Council, and provide progress updates to the DMC and DC.
Kwun Tong	Enhancing Anti-mosquito and Grass Cutting Efforts	Kwun Tong District Management Committee (KTDMC) has collected views from Kwun Tong District Council (KTDC) and consolidated a list of about 50 locations in the district for enhancing anti-mosquito/grass-cutting efforts. Kwun Tong District Office (KTDO) has arranged site inspections and liaised with relevant departments including FEHD, LCSD, Housing Department (HD), Lands Department (LandsD) and HyD for the enhancement of the anti-mosquito/grass-cutting efforts.
	Curbing Shop Front Extensions (SFE)	KTDMC will continue to promote voluntary cooperation by shops and closely scrutinise the effectiveness of the enforcement operations.  KTDC has actively supported the Fixed Penalty System launched on 24 September 2016 by distributing advisory letters to shop operators and publicity letters to schools/resident organisations to disseminate the information.  KTDO has arranged for the posting of banners and posters, and held events to distribute leaflets and souvenirs to residents in the district to publicise the Fixed Penalty System. FEHD, the Police and KTDO have participated in joint operations to step up the enforcement against SFE.

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Yau Tsim Mong	Cleansing Common Areas of Buildings	Since July, Yau Tsim Mong District Office (YTMDO) has arranged with the contractor to carry out cleansing operations in the common areas of 115 private buildings in the district to improve their hygiene conditions, with the target of carrying out cleansing operations in the common areas of 121 buildings.  After the operations, the YTMDO staff conducted evening visits to the households of the buildings on the same days and successfully interviewed 677 households. During the visits, the staff also distributed cleansing souvenir packs and educational materials on building management and cleanliness to the households with a view to drawing their attention to the importance of household cleanliness and good building management.  Among the interviewed households, a total of 500 respondents acknowledged the improved hygiene conditions of the buildings, while 500 respondents expressed that the scheme could enhance their awareness on building management. In addition, 162 residents had registered as RLAs during the household visits. YTMDO will disseminate building management information to these RLAs regularly and invite them to attend various seminars and courses on building management, so as to enhance their knowledge on building management.

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	Mosquito, Rodent and Pest Control	Since December this year, FEHD has stepped up mosquito, rodent and pest control in the district and will continue the efforts until February 2017, so as to improve environmental hygiene.
Sham Shui Po	Strengthening Support for "Three-nil" Buildings	Sham Shui Po District Office (SSPDO) has engaged a cleansing service contractor through FEHD to provide cleansing services for the common areas (e.g. rooftops and staircases) of target "three-nil" buildings and nearby hygiene black spots (e.g. rear lanes) in the district. Through enhancing environmental hygiene, SSPDO aims to increase the awareness of residents on the importance of building management and promoting the formation of OCs.  There are 100 target buildings and 49 target rear lanes under the initiative. Since 1 June 2016, cleansing services have been provided at 60 buildings and 49 rear lanes, removing 59 tonnes of garbage in total as at end-November 2016. Residents widely agreed that the environmental hygiene of the target buildings and rear lanes had improved significantly.  SSPDO arranged household visits after the provision of cleansing services. As at end-November, SSPDO interviewed 157 households, recruited 44 RLAs and assisted the formation of three OCs.  On publicity and education, SSPDO organised a total of eight evening receptions cum seminars from April to November 2016, with an

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		attendance of more than 400 people. The activities covered topics including fire safety, electricity safety, building maintenance and environmental hygiene. In addition, a total of 45 participants completed the two building management courses organised by SSPDO.
	Strengthening Support for Street	Social Work Counselling and Support Service
	Sleepers	The Society for Community Organisation (SoCO) engaged social workers to follow up on the needs of street sleepers and help them quit street sleeping. The SoCO organised group activities for street sleepers regularly to enhance their motivation and life skills, so that they could re-organise their living and re-integrate into the community. Starting the service in October, as at end-November 2016, the SoCO has conducted 17 outreaching sessions, visited 709 street sleepers and helped nine street sleepers move into fixed abodes.
		Physical and Mental Health Support Service
		The Salvation Army engaged medical professionals to visit street sleepers, assess their physical and mental health conditions and offer appropriate medical support and follow-up services. The services were aimed at encouraging street sleepers to face up to their physical and mental issues or addiction, thereby increasing their motivation for quitting street sleeping. Starting the service in October, as at end-November 2016, the Salvation Army has conducted nine outreaching sessions, visited 139 street sleepers, provided medical check-up

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		for 27 street sleepers and referred three cases to hospital for admission.
Sai Kung	Curbing SFE	Sai Kung District Office (SKDO) and relevant departments have been carrying out joint operations against SFE at the black spots in the district. Shop owners are generally cooperative and the situation of SFE has improved.
	Tackling Problems Caused by Illegal Recycling Activities	SKDO will try a win-win approach which allows recycling activities meeting the needs of the community to continue under certain restrictions while minimising the nuisance to the environment. SKDO will approach individual recycling operators at the black spots in the district to work out the relevant arrangements together.
Tai Po	Enchancing Local Environmental Hygiene	FEHD, Tai Po District Lands Office and MD have stepped up efforts in clearing coastal and marine refuse at Sha Lan, Shuen Wan Chan Uk, Sam Mun Tsai, Lung Mei, Pak Shek Kok and Tap Mun, etc.  On 5 November 2016, Tai Po District Office (TPDO) and relevant departments organised the event "Beautifying Tap Mun's Seashore" to remove the refuse on the gravel shores on eastern Tap Mun, as well as to promote the concepts of environmental protection and "leave no trace tourism". With the help of around 320 volunteers including secondary school students, some four tonnes of refuse were removed.

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	Enhancing Anti-mosquito Efforts	FEHD has carried out anti-mosquito operations at 63 black spots in the district, and included those black spots in their weekly routine anti-mosquito operations. LCSD has also carried out anti-mosquito operations at 25 black spots in their venues twice a month. In addition, LandsD has arranged grass-cutting operations at 33 mosquito black spots. With the concerted efforts of the relevant departments over the past few months, the Ovitrap Index of the district has shown improvements. TPDO will distribute anti-mosquito packs to mutual aid committees, OCs, "three nil" buildings, District Council members, rural committees, etc. in the district. TPDO also organised an anti-mosquito talk on 23 November 2016 to raise public awareness of mosquito control.
Tsuen Wan	Curbing SFE	To enhance public awareness prior to the implementation of the Fixed Penalty System against SFE on 24 September this year, Tsuen Wan District Council and Tsuen Wan District Office (TWDO) had co-ordinated public education and publicity campaigns, including the issue of advisory letters and, together with representatives from FEHD, LandsD and the Police, distribution of leaflets to the shop operators concerned for several times between July and September. Since the implementation of the Fixed Penalty System, TWDO has been co-ordinating regular inter-departmental joint operations. Through a series of public education and publicity campaigns, as well as regular joint enforcement operations, the situation of SFE in target areas

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		in Tsuen Wan, including Chuen Lung Street, San Tsuen Street and Ho Pui Street, has improved.
	Enhancing Anti-mosquito Efforts	With the additional resources allocated through DAS, FEHD has strengthened the existing routine mosquito control and street cleansing services. LCSD has also conducted additional anti-mosquito operations, including fogging and grass-cutting in Tsuen Wan. TWDO, in collaboration with Department of Health and FEHD, held a seminar on 29 September this year for about 50 representatives from secondary schools, primary schools and kindergartens in Tsuen Wan, briefing them on anti-mosquito measures and enhancing their understanding about mosquito-borne diseases.
Yuen Long	Curbing SFE	During the period from April to November this year, Yuen Long District Office (YLDO) in conjunction with the relevant departments have taken action at three action locations covering nine streets (including removal of illegal platforms and structures). If deemed necessary, relevant departments will carry out surprise joint enforcement at action locations identified during the Pilot Scheme. In December this year, YLDO and relevant departments have also conducted publicity activities at the fourth action location. At present, actions against SFE were proven effective as indicated by the visible improvement of the cityscape.
		Overall speaking, on average more than 70% of the non-compliant shops voluntarily removed

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		their illegal platforms and structures before the expiry date of the removal notice; over 80 notices were issued by the relevant departments, requiring the non-compliant shops at the three action locations to voluntarily remove their illegal structures.
		YLDO, together with LandsD, the Buildings Department, FEHD, the Police and 18 DC members, have also organised promotional activities on the Fixed Penalty System against SFE. The relevant departments have issued more than 120 Fixed Penalty Notices in the first five days since the Fixed Penalty System took effect on 24 September 2016. YLDO regularly reports the latest work progress of DAS to DC and DMC.
	Stepping up Efforts against Illegally Parked Bicycles	To enhance the sustained efforts against illegally parked bicycles, YLDO and relevant departments have conducted repeated actions at 52 action locations proposed by DC members since 1 April 2016. These on-going inter-departmental operations will continue until late March 2017.
		Further to the 130 additional bicycle parking spots provided under the Pilot Scheme, in response to DC's suggestion to provide additional proper bicycle parking spaces at designated locations in the district, TD and relevant departments are conducting district consultation on some of the proposed locations. YLDO will maintain close communication with TD to follow up on the remaining locations.

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		Besides, in October this year, TD and HyD completed the installation of wire mesh at a location suggested by DC members, i.e. the entrance of the footbridge leading to Sun Yuen Long Centre (near Yau Tin East Road) with a view to minimising the number of illegally parked bicycles and maintaining smooth passage at the pedestrian link.
	Enhancing Anti-mosquito Efforts	YLDO together with DC members and local representatives completed site visits to the proposed locations for enhanced anti-mosquito efforts in July this year. The relevant departments are following up on the anti-mosquito and grass-cutting efforts at 77 proposed locations.
		To further enhance anti-mosquito awareness of local residents, YLDO recently organised a large-scale promotional parade in early December, and distributed more than 3 000 anti-mosquito products and promotional flyers via rural committees and village representatives to disseminate anti-mosquito messages among residents.
Sha Tin	Enhancing Anti-Mosquito and Grass-Cutting Efforts	The Steering Group of "Hygiene Improvement with Enhanced Anti-Mosquitos/Grass-Cutting" (HIEAG Steering Group) under the Sha Tin District Management Committee (STDMC) has conducted site inspections to the mosquito black spots in Yuen Chau Kok and Ma On Shan. FEHD has also enhanced its anti-mosquito efforts at those black spots. The HIEAG Steering Group will continue to conduct site inspections to the mosquito black

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		spots in the district and formulate targeted improvement measures within the year.
		The HIEAG Steering Group has set up a notification mechanism for disseminating updated information on Ovitrap Index to relevant stakeholders. As at end-October this year, over 150 organisations/units and Sha Tin District Council members have indicated their willingness to participate in the notification mechanism.
	Stepping up Efforts against Illegally Parked Bicycles	The Steering Group of "Tackling of Illegal Bicycle Parking" (TIBP Steering Group) under the STDMC has updated the list of black spots of illegal bicycle parking and optimised the strategies concerned, with joint clearance operations being conducted by the Inter-departmental Working Group on Tackling Illegal Bicycle Parking in Sha Tin District.
		The TIBP Steering Group has identified several trial spots for installing a new type of wire mesh over roadside railings, as well as dividers between cycle tracks and pedestrian walkways in subways, with a view to curbing illegal chaining of bicycles. The tendering exercise for the relevant works project is underway.
		The TIBP Steering Group is now planning various publicity programmes and working on the detailed arrangements. It has also collaborated with the Police to promote the message of no illegal bicycle parking to the public in the "Smart Rider" - World Record Attempt held on 19 November 2016.

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Tuen Mun	Enhancing Anti-mosquito Efforts	As at end-November this year, the Works Section of Tuen Mun District Office (TMDO) has carried out 13 grass-cutting operations at four locations in the rural areas of Tuen Mun. Tuen Mun District Lands Office (DLO/TM) has carried out 98 grass-cutting and pesticide-spraying operations on unleased government lands at 58 locations. The additional outsourced anti-mosquito team engaged by FEHD has carried out 595 pesticide-spraying operations at 22 locations in the district.
	Curbing SFE	As at 30 November this year, TMDO, DLO/TM and FEHD have carried out two joint operations to curb SFE. FEHD has issued a total of eight verbal warnings, four summons and two Notices to Remove Obstruction to violators.
	Stepping up Efforts against Illegally-Parked Bicycles	TMDO, DLO/TM and FEHD have carried out six joint operations to clear illegally-parked bicycles at 24 locations as at end-November this year. A total of 251 bicycles illegal parked on unleased government lands were removed during the operations.
North	Stepping up Efforts against Illegally-Parked Bicycles	Since September this year, the number of clearance operations against illegally parked bicycles coordinated by the North District Office (NDO), to be carried out by FEHD, the Police and the North District Lands Office (DLO/N), has increased to twice a month, with the number of black spots to be cleared per operation increased from eight to 10. During the period from 1 September to 30 November 2016, a total of 691 illegally parked bicycles

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		were removed in the joint operations.
	Curbing SFE	Since July this year, the Police and FEHD have stepped up enforcement at the hygiene black spots proposed by the North District Council (NDC) members. Clear results have been achieved so far.
		NDO, the Police and FEHD, together with a number of NDC members, visited the shops in Shek Wu Hui, Sheung Shui in September 2016 to publicise the implementation of the Fixed Penalty System against shop front extensions.

## (B) Projects to Capitalise on Local Opportunities

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Sha Tin	Creation of Space to Address District Needs	The Steering Group of "Creation of Space to Address District Needs" under DMC has agreed to develop the land underneath the Sha Lek Highway by three stages so as to create activity space. The first stage is to develop an area of about 1 900 square metres at the site.  Sha Tin District Office has conducted tendering exercises for the design, formation and construction works as well as invited consultants to submit detailed design proposals for the Stage I development. Some of the facilities are expected to come into operation in early 2017.
Yau Tsim Mong	Hearing Care Action	The aim of the Hearing Care Action is to enhance the community's understanding and concern on aural protection through educational

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		programmes and to provide free mobile hearing test service.
		In order to promote hearing-relating healthcare information, Yau Tsim Mong District Office (YTMDO) will produce a booklet and an educational video for distribution and broadcasting via suitable platforms, such as schools, audiology centres, elderly centres and hospitals in the district. YTMDO will also organise community educational events in the district, such as aural protection seminars, outreach to the elderly living alone, so as to promote the importance of aural protection.
		Mobile hearing test service was introduced in September this year and has provided free hearing tests for about 540 residents in the district. Among them, about 200 participants in need have made appointments with the volunteer Ear, Nose, Throat specialist doctors under the scheme for free follow-up services. YTMDO have surveyed 495 participants, of which 386 have never taken hearing tests. 471 respondents found this service useful in enhancing their understanding of their hearing health status, and 483 respondents were satisfied with the procedures and arrangements of the service. Besides, a total of 21 hearing centres have participated in the scheme. A list of participating hearing centres has been compiled by YTMDO for distribution during the service period and for uploading onto its website for public reference.

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Wong Tai Sin	Community Resource Centre (CRC)	Wong Tai Sin District Office (WTSDO) has invited non-governmental organisations in the district to be its partners in the establishment of the CRC. WTSDO has received a total of five proposals. An assessment panel comprising representatives of WTSDO, HD, Social Welfare Department, LCSD, District Council members and local leaders has selected a non-profit-making organisation to establish and operate the CRC which is expected to commence service in early 2017.
Sai Kung	Introducing Electric Carts at Pak Tam Chung	The relevant departments have conducted working group meetings to discuss the regulation of and restrictions on electric carts, requirements for testing cart models, and other required ancillary facilities (such as charging stations) and road improvement works. SKDO is currently identifying a suitable electric cart model in the market, which can comply with the relevant transport regulations.
Kwai Tsing	Help Prepare the Community to Tackle Surge in Dementia Population	<ul> <li>Kwai Tsing District Office (K&amp;TDO) has selected the Hong Kong Alzheimer's Disease Association as the project partner, and the following services will be launched in the second quarter of 2017 –</li> <li>(i) Enhance the public understanding of Alzheimer's Disease in the district;</li> <li>(ii) Identify the patients of Alzheimer's</li> </ul>
		Disease at an early stage; and  (iii) Provide support to patients of Alzheimer's  Disease and their family.

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		K&TDO is concurrently preparing a series of publicity programmes. "Kwai Tsing Dementia Caring Week - Be smart and Agile", to be held from 10 to 17 December 2016 is one of the events, which featured a carnival, talks, film screening and cognitive screening programmes in relation to dementia. Celebrities like Mrs Kao May Wan Gwen (wife of Professor Charles K Kao) were guests of the event.