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Clerk to the Panel on Home Affairs
Legislative Council Complex
1 Legislative Council Road
Central, Hong Kong
(Attn: Ms Joanne MAK)

Dear Ms MAK,

Enquiries about Football Pitches

I refer to the letter dated 20 July 2018 from the Legislative Council Secretariat, with Hon Shiu Ka-chun's enquiry on football pitches attached. Our response to Hon Shiu's enquiry is as follows.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department currently provides 61 11-a-side turf pitches¹, 21 7-a-side turf pitches, and 234 hard-surface pitches of 5-a-side or 7-a-side for football activities by members.

We will continue to increase the supply of football pitches. Projects currently under construction and those under the Five-Year Plan for Sports and Recreational Facilities will provide six 11-a-side turf pitches, one 7-a-side turf pitch and three 7-a-side hard-surface pitches. In addition, we will undergo enhancement works for one 11-a-side turf pitch and two 5-a-side hard-surface pitches. The locations of these projects are at **Annex**.

The football training centre at Tseung Kwan O constructed by the Hong Kong Football Association (HKFA) is expected to be in operation in the third quarter this year. It will provide three 11-a-side turf pitches, a hard-surface 5-a-side hard-surfaced pitch and related auxiliary facilities. Apart from

¹ Turf pitches include natural turf and artificial turf pitches.

providing training venue for the Hong Kong representative teams, the HKFA can use the venue for implementing various development plans and community football activities. We will monitor the usage of the football training centre upon its operation and continue to liaise closely with the HKFA on related matters.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Alex Leung', with a stylized flourish at the end.

(Alex LEUNG)
for Secretary for Home Affairs

Locations of Projects Currently Under Construction and Projects Under the Five-Year Plan for Sports and Recreational Facilities

Construction of six 11-a-side turf pitches

- Kai Tak Sports Park (two pitches)
- Football-cum-rugby pitch in Area 33, Tai Po*
- Tung Tau Industrial Area Playground, Yuen Long*
- Open space in Area 17, Tuen Mun*
- Sports ground and open space in Area 16, Tuen Mun*

Enhancement of a 11-a-side turf pitch

- Yuen Long Stadium*

Construction of a 7-a-side turf pitch

- Open space at Hoi Fan Road, Tai Kok Tsui*

Construction of three 7-a-side hard-surface pitches

- Open space in Area 6, Tuen Mun*
- Plover Cove Road in Area 1, Tai Po (two pitches)

Enhancement of two 5-a-side hard-surface pitches

- Hoi Bun Road Park, Kwun Tong*
- Lam Wah Street Playground, Kwun Tong*

* Projects under the Five-Year Plan for Sports and Recreation Facilities