

## **SPORTS COMMISSION**

### **Progress Report of the Community Sports Committee**

#### **INTRODUCTION**

This paper reports on the work of the Community Sports Committee (CSC) since the last update to the Sports Commission (SC) in April 2013.

#### **PROGRESS UPDATE**

2. At the CSC meeting on 12 July, Members discussed the following issues.

##### **Sport for All Day 2013**

3. The Sport for All Day 2013 was held on 4 August 2013 and was branded as one of the highlight events under the “Vibrant Hong Kong” theme of the city-wide campaign “Hong Kong : Our Home”. “Stay active. Exercise every day with your family” was the theme of the event. The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) organised free programmes and admitted members of the public to most of its fee-charging leisure facilities free of charge on the event day. To mark the occasion, a ceremony was held at 3:00 p.m. at the Hang Hau Sports Centre, during which a Smartphone App on Fitness Walking was also launched. An API encouraging family members to exercise together regularly has been broadcast since July 2013.

##### **Report on Installation of Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) in LCSD Venues**

4. The LCSD has extended the provision of AEDs to 254 land-based leisure venues, including sports centres, sports grounds, major parks and cultural venues. The AEDs are installed at easily accessible locations so that trained personnel (venue staff and public) can use the device readily in case of emergency. Regular training will be organised for venue staff to ensure the effective use of these devices.

##### **Alignment of fees and charges for LCSD leisure facilities and services**

5. The Legislative Council has approved the legislation to align the fees and charges for recreation and sports facilities and services in the urban area and the New Territories to the lower of the two levels. The revised fees for use of leisure facilities came into effect on 1 August 2013, whilst the new fees for recreation and sports programmes will be effective from 1 October 2013.

## **The 4<sup>th</sup> Hong Kong Games (HKG)**

6. The 4<sup>th</sup> Hong Kong Games (HKG) concluded in June 2013. More than 3 000 athletes took part in the eight sports events with about 1 000 sports competitions, while more than 400 000 people participated in 20 community involvement activities. The 4<sup>th</sup> HKG Organising Committee (OC) has prepared an evaluation report with recommendations for consideration by the OC of the next HKG.

## **Progress Report on Pilot Scheme for Student Athlete Support (the Scheme)**

7. In his 2013 Policy Address, the Chief Executive announced that the Administration would work with the Hong Kong Schools Sports Federation (HKSSF) to help students from low-income families realise their sporting potential. Under the Pilot Scheme endorsed by the Sports Commission, in June 2013 the HKSSF has invited primary and secondary schools to submit applications for support in the 2013-14 school year. By mid-July more than 300 applications had been received.

## **Hong Kong and Shanghai Summer Sports Camp for Youth 2013 (the Sports Camp)**

8. The Sports Camp was held between 22 and 26 July 2013 at the Tso Kung Tam Outdoor Recreation Centre in Hong Kong with a total of 97 participants aged between 12 and 15 from Hong Kong and Shanghai. Three sports, namely tennis, handball and basketball were included in the sports exchange programme. Apart from sports training and competitions, the participants also visited the Space Museum and the Ocean Park.

## **KEY ITEMS TO BE ADDRESSED**

9. The items that the CSC will address in the coming months include -
- (a) following up on improvements to the procedures for booking recreation and sports facilities; and
  - (b) following up the implementation of the fee alignment for the LCSD leisure facilities and services.

## **ADVICE SOUGHT**

10. Members are invited to note the update and key action items above.

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