## **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 February 2012.

#### **PROGRESS UPDATE**

2. At the 27<sup>th</sup> CSC meeting on 28 February 2012, Members discussed the following issues.

## **Physical Fitness Test for the Community (PFT)**

3. We have collected data from about 8 000 people aged 3 to 69 upon completion of the second PFT. The Chinese University of Hong Kong is conducting the data analysis and will compile a preliminary report on the results of the test for the consideration at the next CSC meeting scheduled for July. The CSC aims to finalise the report within 2012.

# Follow-up on the Study on the Participation Patterns of Hong Kong People in Physical Activities

4. To encourage wider public participation in fitness walking, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) produced a promotional video for broadcast on *RoadShow* between February and May 2012. LCSD also requested "national sports associations" (NSAs) to broadcast this video at "M" Mark events. LCSD has also teamed up with the Hong Kong Amateur Athletic Association to promote jogging in the community. The District Councils (DCs) have each appointed two DC members as Sports Ambassadors to help promote sport in their local communities.

## School Sports Programme Coordinator Pilot Scheme (the Scheme)

5. Having considered views from the SC and the CSC, the Home Affairs Bureau (HAB) and LCSD have refined the Scheme to provide more

flexibility and benefits for participating schools and athletes. We briefed interested schools on the Scheme in March and introduced the criteria for assessing schools' applications. The Scheme will be implemented in the coming school year on a trial basis for a maximum of three years. We will put in place a mechanism to oversee and evaluate the effectiveness of the Scheme.

# The 4th Hong Kong Games

6. The 4th Hong Kong Games (HKG) will take place in 2013. To facilitate preparation for the games and the launching of publicity programmes, we have formed the 4<sup>th</sup> Hong Kong Games Organising Committee (HKGOC), comprising representatives from the CSC, the 18 DCs, the SF&OC, relevant NSAs, the HAB and LCSD. The HKGOC has held two meetings so far. A CSC Paper on this issue is at **Annex I**.

## **Sport For All Day 2012**

7. The LCSD will organise the Sport For All Day 2012 on 5 August. The theme of this year's event is "the Olympics" to tie in with the London Olympics and to show support for our athletes. Each of the 18 districts will choose an Olympic event as its signature sport for promotion on that day to help create community interest in the Olympics. We will organise a series of free programmes and most of LCSD's fee-charging leisure facilities will be open for free use by the public. A paper introducing the proposal is at **Annex II**.

## **Public Swimming Pool Monthly Ticket Scheme**

8. In his 2011-12 Policy Address, the Chief Executive announced the introduction of a public swimming pool monthly ticket scheme, in part to promote swimming among the general public. Holders of monthly tickets will be entitled to unlimited entry to all public swimming pools (except Wan Chai Swimming Pool). We have consulted the Legislative Council Panel on Home Affairs, the Chairmen and Vice-chairmen of the DCs, and the CSC on the scheme. Taking their views into account, we will introduce the monthly ticket at a price of \$300 per month (with a concessionary monthly ticket at \$150 per month<sup>1</sup>) in early July.

## **KEY ITEMS TO BE ADDRESSED**

9. The key items that the CSC will address in the coming months

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The concessionary monthly ticket is applicable to (i) persons aged between 3 and 13; (ii) persons aged 60 or above; (iii) persons with disabilities; (iv) accompanying carers of persons with disabilities; and (v) full-time students.

include -

- (a) the final report of the PFT;
- (b) the implementation of the School Sports Programme Coordinator Pilot Scheme;
- (c) the preparation for the Sport For All Day 2012 and the 4<sup>th</sup> Hong Kong Games; and
- (d) the implementation of the Public Swimming Pool Monthly Ticket Scheme.

## **ADVICE SOUGHT**

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

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