

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 June 2012.

PROGRESS UPDATE

2. At the 28th CSC meeting on 16 July 2012, Members discussed the following issues.

Sport for All Day 2012

3. The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) organised the Sport for All Day 2012 on 5 August. To tie in with the London Olympics and to show support for our athletes, the Olympics was adopted as the theme of the event. The slogan for the event was “Stay Active. Exercise for Half an Hour Daily”. LCSD organised free programmes at sports centres in 18 districts and most sports facilities were open for public use free of charge. Over 210 000 people took part in the Sport for All Day, with over 29 000 people attending the free programmes and over 186 000 people using facilities free of charge.

School Sports Programme Coordinator Pilot Scheme

4. The pilot scheme is due to run for three years, and aims to engage up to 15 retired athletes as School Sports Programme Coordinators (SSPC), starting from the new school year 2012-13. To date, 41 government and aided secondary schools have applied to engage an SSPC, and nine retired athletes have been paired with schools. A briefing session for the nine schools and their matched SSPC took place on 11 July. Participating schools are required to submit programme reports and annual returns to a working group set up to monitor and review the scheme, which has representatives from the Home Affairs Bureau, the Education Bureau, LCSD, and the Hong Kong Sports Institute (HKSI). The HKSI will continue to identify and train suitable athletes to take up the remaining six SSPC places.

Physical Fitness Test for the Community (PFT)

5. The second PFT, comprising a questionnaire survey and a physical fitness

test for five different age groups has been completed, and the Chinese University of Hong Kong presented the relevant findings and recommendations at the CSC meeting on 16 July. A report on the study results is at **Annex I**. A press conference to announce the findings of the PFT has been scheduled to be held in October 2012.

The 4th Hong Kong Games

6. The 4th Hong Kong Games (HKG) will take place from 27 April to 2 June 2013. A Launching Ceremony was held on 11 June 2012 at the Kowloon Park Arcade to kick-start the publicity drive and to encourage people to take part in the games. The 18 District Councils (DCs) are conducting open selection for athletes, which will be completed by the end of January 2013. We expect that over 3 000 athletes will compete in the eight sports of the games: athletics, badminton, basketball, futsal, swimming, table-tennis, tennis and volleyball. A progress report on the preparation of the 4th HKG is at **Annex II**.

KEY ITEMS TO BE ADDRESSED

7. The key items that the CSC will address in the coming months include -
- (a) monitoring the implementation of the SSPC Pilot Scheme;
 - (b) following up on the findings of the PFT; and
 - (c) overseeing the preparation and organisation of the 4th HKG.

ADVICE SOUGHT

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

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