

SPORTS COMMISSION

Progress Report of the Elite Sports Committee

INTRODUCTION

This paper reports on the work of the Elite Sports Committee (ESC) since the last update to the Sports Commission in August 2014.

PROGRESS UPDATE

2. At the ESC meeting on 31 October 2014, members considered the following issues.

Performance of Hong Kong athletes in Incheon 2014 Asian Games

3. The Hong Kong Sports Institute (HKSI) presented a report on the performance of elite athletes in Incheon 2014 Asian Games.

Changes to the Elite Vote Scoring Table

4. [Confidential Item]

Improvement to Direct Financial Support for Elite Athletes

5. The HKSI submitted a paper reporting on recent improvements to the arrangements for providing Direct Financial Support to elite athletes. These include: extending the support period for full-time Elite A athletes to four years; replacing the “top one-third” rule by the “minus-one” rule for senior world championships and world-level events which require qualification; and setting up a “World Championship Performance Scheme” as an incentive to reward top athletes who achieve top-level performances at senior world championships.

ADVICE SOUGHT

6. Members are invited to note the progress update.

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