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Head: (95) Leisure and Cultural Services Department

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Programme: (4) Performing Arts

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Question:

The provision for 2016-17 is \$21.4 million higher than the revised estimate for 2015-16 partly due to the increase of 61 posts. What are the reasons for creating these posts, the duties of these posts and the expenditure involved?

Asked by: Hon WONG Ting-kwong (Member Question No. 56)

Reply:

The 61 posts to be created in 2016-17 under Programme (4): "Performing Arts" will enhance support for existing performing arts services and replace some non-civil service contract positions which have long-term service needs. The posts cover seven different grades, including Clerical Assistant; Clerical Officer; Cultural Services Assistant; Executive Officer; Manager, Cultural Services; Music Officer; and Workman II.

The estimated salary provision for these 61 posts in 2016-17 is about \$29.4 million.

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