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Question:

Please set out in a table the numbers of new sports centres built in the territory in the past three years, their locations and the expenditures for providing the leisure facilities. What are the ratios of number of leisure facilities to population in the districts concerned? Does the Government have any plans to build new sports centres in 2016-17? If so, what are their locations, manpower arrangements, various expenditure items including construction costs and their usage rates?

Asked by: Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki (Member Question No. 621)

Reply:

2 sports centres were completed in the past 3 years, as follows:

District	Name	Location
Sai Kung	Hong Kong Velodrome	Po Hong Road, Tseung Kwan O
Sai Kung	Tiu Keng Leng Sports Centre	Chui Ling Road, Tseung Kwan O

As the 2 sports centres are only part of the facilities provided in their respective works projects, no breakdown figures on the expenditure are available.

According to the Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines, 1 sports centre should normally be provided for 50 000 to 65 000 residential population. There are currently 96 sports centres under the management of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD). In 2016-17, 6 sports centres are under construction and another one is under planning. Details are set out at the **Annex**. In planning new facilities, the LCSD makes reference to not only the population ratio but also other factors such as the policy objectives for sports development, utilisation rates of existing facilities, demographic changes, the advice of District Councils and site availability.

Sports Centres under Construction or Planning in 2016-17

District	Location of Sports Centre under Construction or Planning ^(Note 1) ^(Note 2)	Project Estimate (\$ million)
Sports Centre under Construction		
Kwai Tsing	1. Chung Mei Road in Tsing Yi	774.8
Sha Tin	2. Ngan Shing Street in Sha Tin	1 084.0
Sha Tin	3. Sha Tin Tau Road in Sha Tin	639.7
Tsuen Wan	4. Between Tsuen Wan Park and Tsuen Wan Road	765.6
Tuen Mun	5. Siu Lun in Tuen Mun	1 250.7
Yuen Long	6. Ma Tin Road in Yuen Long	704.1
Sports Centre under Planning		
Tai Po	7. Plover Cove Road in Tai Po	(Note 3)

Notes:

1. The sports centres in items 1, 2, 5, 6 and 7 are part of the facilities to be provided in their respective projects.
2. As the sports centres are under construction or planning, usage rates are not available.
3. The project estimate is about \$2,163.1 million. The project is subject to the support from the Public Works Subcommittee and funding approval of the Finance Committee.

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