

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY****HAB211****(Question Serial No. 0602)**Head: (95) Leisure and Cultural Services DepartmentSubhead (No. & title): (-) Not SpecifiedProgramme: (1) Recreation and SportsControlling Officer: Director of Leisure and Cultural Services (Ms Michelle LI)Director of Bureau: Secretary for Home AffairsQuestion:

It is stated in paragraph 68(2) of the Budget Speech that the Government plans to earmark a total of \$20 billion for sports development as announced in the Policy Address. To provide better community and sports facilities for public use, the Government will launch 26 projects in the coming 5 years to develop new or improve existing sports and recreation facilities in different districts. These include sports grounds, sports centres, football pitches, swimming pools, cycling grounds, tennis courts and open spaces. Please list the estimated provisions, planning details and implementation timetables of the 26 development and improvement projects.

Asked by: Hon LEE Wai-king, Starry (Member Question No. 21)Reply:

The Government has earmarked a total of \$20 billion to launch 26 projects in the coming 5 years to develop new or improve existing sports and recreation facilities in different districts. The 26 projects and the major facilities to be provided are set out in paragraph 219 of the 2017 Policy Address. Among the 26 projects, we are planning to consult the relevant LegCo Panels and seek the funding approval of the Finance Committee for the following 5 projects in 2017-18 –

Project Title	Major Facilities	Tentative Start Date	Tentative Completion Date
1. Waterfront Promenade adjacent to the Hong Kong Children's Hospital	Open space	2017	2019
2. Improvement of Hoi Bun Road Park and Adjacent Area, Kwun Tong	Including 1 football pitch and open space	2017	2020

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3. Sports Ground and Open Space in Area 16, Tuen Mun – Pre-construction works	Including 1 sports ground, 1 football pitch and open space	2017	2020
4. Avenue Park at Kai Tak	Including 1 outdoor basketball court and open space	2018	2020
5. Open space at Sze Mei Street, San Po Kong	Including 1 football pitch, 4 outdoor basketball courts and open space	2018	2021

As regards the remaining 21 projects, they are at different planning stages. The estimated capital and recurrent costs of the projects are being worked out. We will provide details when we consult the relevant LegCo panels and seek funding approval of the Finance Committee on these projects.

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