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## CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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## Question:

Regarding the public education and publicity programmes organised by the Antiquities and Monuments Office, please inform this Committee of the following:

- 1. What are the attendance figures for each of these public education and publicity programmes including seminars, meetings, workshops and heritage tours? Please breakdown by programmes and the categories of the participants, viz. members of the Friends of Heritage (FOH) Scheme and the general public.
- 2. How many members does the FOH Scheme have currently? What is the ratio of the Scheme members to the general public in participating in public activities?

Asked by: Hon TAM Man-ho, Jeremy (Member Question No. (LegCo use): 123)

## Reply:

To promote heritage conservation, the Antiquities and Monuments Office (AMO) has launched the Friends of Heritage Scheme (FOH) and the Young Friends of Heritage Scheme (YFOH), with the latter targeting secondary school students under the age of 18. Currently, there are altogether 595 members under the two schemes. Each year, AMO organises separate educational activities for the general public and FOH/YFOH members. A breakdown of attendance in 2017 is shown below:

Educational Activities		Attendance
Heritage Tours	General Public	23 270
	FOH/YFOH Members	549
Workshops	General Public	7 057
	FOH/YFOH Members	89
Open Days	General Public	12 225
	FOH/YFOH Members	-
Lectures/Seminars/Others	General Public	1 891
	FOH/YFOH Members	1 409
Total		46 490