

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (95) Leisure and Cultural Services Department

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Programme: (1) Recreation and Sports

Controlling Officer: Director of Leisure and Cultural Services (Ms Michelle LI)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Home Affairs

Question:

Please set out in a table the following information:

- (1) A breakdown, by parks in operation and those not open to the public, of the numbers and locations of existing parks across the territory;
- (2) A breakdown of the area, number of permanent staff, posts, maintenance and other operational expenditures involved for each of the parks;
- (3) A breakdown of the numbers of drinking fountains and beverage vending machines provided at each of the parks;
- (4) Does the Government have any plans to develop, open up or close down any parks in 2018-19? If so, please provide a breakdown of the locations selected, manpower, sports ground facilities, site areas and expenditures involved;
- (5) A breakdown of the number of three-colour waste separation bins provided at each of the parks and the number of plastic bottles collected for recycling each year;
- (6) Does the Government have any plans to provide additional drinking fountains and beverage vending machines? If so, what are the numbers and estimated expenditures involved?

Asked by: Hon KWOK Ka-ki (Member Question No. (LegCo use): 25)

Reply:

- (1) to (3) & (5) The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) currently manages 512 parks and gardens to meet both the active and passive recreational needs of the public. The number, distribution and area of these venues together with the provision of drinking fountains, beverage vending machines and waste separation bins are set out at **Annex**. LCSD does not

have breakdown figures on the number of plastic bottles collected for recycling each year. In general, the above-mentioned venues with other sports facilities are managed by the same team of staff. LCSD does not have separate breakdown figures on the manpower, maintenance and other operational expenditures involved for parks. There is no open space capital works project which has been completed but not yet open to public.

- (4) An open space project at Hing Wah Street West in Sham Shui Po District is under construction. It will be opened for public use in 2018-19. The approved estimate of the project is \$122 million. The site area is 0.84 hectare. It will provide a garden with soft landscaping and seating areas; an area with fitness stations; a children's play area with a designated area for tri-cycling; a pet garden, a 7-a-side artificial turf football pitch and ancillary facilities such as toilets-cum-changing rooms.

- (6) LCSD is planning to provide over 100 additional drinking fountains at various recreational venues. As the proposed works are under planning, works expenditure is not available. LCSD will assess public demand and operational needs from time to time to consider installing additional beverage vending machines at venues.

Number, distribution and area of parks and gardens managed by Leisure and Cultural Services Department and the provision of drinking fountains, beverage vending machine and waste separation bins

District	Parks and gardens				
	No. of venues	Area (hectare)	Provision		
			No. of drinking fountains	No. of beverage vending machines	No. of waste separation bins ^{Note}
Hong Kong					
Central and Western	43	42	51	10	40
Eastern	26	30	19	8	58
Southern	20	48	17	4	3
Wan Chai	30	27	17	11	46
Kowloon					
Kowloon City	43	55	23	11	30
Kwun Tong	34	37	44	12	15
Sham Shui Po	23	47	43	10	17
Wong Tai Sin	14	40	32	14	11
Yau Tsim Mong	40	33	16	15	22
New Territories					
Islands	14	8	9	6	4
Kwai Tsing	30	36	20	6	9
North	18	13	5	2	6
Sai Kung	33	23	35	14	21
Sha Tin	40	37	20	0	10
Tai Po	17	33	13	5	9
Tsuen Wan	32	32	9	2	7
Tuen Mun	24	33	1	4	13
Yuen Long	31	41	27	17	20
Total	512	615	401	151	341

Note

Including three-colour waste separation bins, four-in-one collection bins (i.e. combined waste separation and litter bins) and bottle-shaped collection bins.

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