

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (95) Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Subhead (No. & title): (-) Not Specified

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 inform this Committee of the following:

- 1) The Leisure and Cultural Services Department expects an increase in the number of children's playgrounds, natural and artificial turf pitches and sports centres in 2018. What are the details of the new facilities, including the locations, types, expected opening dates and expenditures already incurred?
- 2) As the number of tennis courts is expected to decrease from 256 to 252, where are the locations of the tennis courts to be closed and why?
- 3) Does the Department have any plans to increase the number of the facilities in the coming 3 years? If so, what are the details?

Asked by: Hon WU Chi-wai (Member Question No. (LegCo use): 131)

Reply:

- 1) The Leisure and Cultural Services Department is planning to provide additional children's playground, natural / artificial turf pitch and sports centre in 2018. Details of these new facilities are set out at **Annex**.
- 2) The number of tennis courts is expected to decrease from 256 to 252 due to the closure of 4 tennis courts at Hong Ning Road Park in Kwun Tong in mid-2018 for the redevelopment of the park. Upon completion of the redevelopment project by 2021, the 4 tennis courts will be re-provided in the park.
- 3) The Government has earmarked a total of \$20 billion to launch 26 projects in 5 years to develop new or improve existing sports and recreation facilities including 2 sports grounds, 9 football pitches, 1 sports centre, 4 swimming pool complexes, 2 lawn bowling greens, 1 cycling ground, 4 tennis courts, 11 outdoor basketball courts and 20 open spaces.

**New children's playground, natural / artificial turf pitch
and sports centre to be provided in 2018**

Project	No. of children playground	No. of artificial turf pitch	No. of sports centre	Project cost Note (\$ million)
Open space at Hing Wah Street West, Sham Shui Po	1	1	N.A.	122.000
Tsuen Wan Sports Centre	N.A.	N.A.	1	765.600
Open space at Shek Wu Wai Sitting-out Area, Yuen Long	1	N.A.	N.A.	9.990
Open space at Sha Chau Lei Sitting-out Area, Yuen Long	1	N.A.	N.A.	6.992
Total	3	1	1	904.582

Note

Approved project estimate of the whole project is provided. There is no breakdown in respect of the part for individual facilities therein.

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