

**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 set out in a table the following information:

- (1) A breakdown of the attendance figures for land-based sports facilities, holiday camps and water sports facilities under the management of the Department for the past 3 years;
- (2) A breakdown of the area, number of permanent staff, posts, maintenance and other operational expenditures involved for each of the facilities;
- (3) What is the number of drinking fountains provided at the facilities? Does the Government have any plans to increase or reduce the numbers of those 3 types of facilities in 2018-19? If so, please provide a breakdown of the locations selected, manpower, sports ground facilities, site areas, expenditures involved and the facility-to-population ratios in the districts concerned;
- (4) A breakdown of the number of three-colour waste separation bins provided at the facilities and the number of plastic bottles collected for recycling each year;
- (5) Does the Government have any plans to provide additional drinking fountains and beverage vending machines at these facilities? If so, what are the estimated expenditures involved?

Asked by: Hon KWOK Ka-ki (Member Question No. (LegCo use): 96)

Reply:

- (1) The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) manages a wide variety of recreation and sports facilities including 99 sports centres, 25 sports grounds, 81 turf pitches (including 2 stadia), 256 tennis courts, 1 586 parks and playgrounds, 4 holiday camps and 5 water sports centres. The usage rates of major sports facilities including

sports centres (arena), sports grounds, turf pitches and tennis courts as well as the attendance of holiday camps and water sports centres managed by LCSD in the past 3 years are set out at **Annex I**.

- (2) As most of the sports facilities concerned form part of the public leisure venues which are managed by the same team of staff, LCSD does not have separate figures on the area of respective facilities as well as manpower, maintenance and other operational expenditures involved for each of the facilities.
- (3) The number of drinking fountains provided at land-based sports facilities, holiday camps and water sports facilities is set out below –

<b>Types of facilities</b>	<b>Land-based sports facilities</b>	<b>Holiday camps</b>	<b>Water sports centres</b>
Number of drinking fountains	1 133	22	7

The land-based sports facility will increase by 1 in 2018-19. The new Tsuen Wan Sports Centre occupies a site area of 0.64 hectare in 53 Wing Shun Street, Tsuen Wan and has an approved project estimate of \$765.6 million. Currently, there are 4 sports centres in Tsuen Wan District. With projected population of 311 100 for 2018, the provision is in line with the Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines, which recommend 1 sports centre for 50 000 to 65 000 residential population. Information on the location, manpower, venue facilities, site area, expenditure involved and the facility-to-population ratio in Tsuen Wan District is at **Annex II**.

- (4) The number of waste separation bins provided at land-based sports facilities, holiday camps and water sports facilities is set out as below –

<b>Types of Facilities</b>	<b>Land-based sports facilities</b>	<b>Holiday camps</b>	<b>Water sports centres</b>
Number of waste separation bins <sup>Note</sup>	908	27	16

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.

LCSD does not have breakdown figures on the number of plastic bottles collected for recycling each year.

- (5) LCSD is planning to provide over 100 additional drinking fountains at various recreational venues. As the proposed works are at initial planning stage, 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.

**Usage of Major Sports Facilities and  
Attendance of Holiday Camps and Water Sports Centres  
in the past 3 years**

*Usage Rate*

<b>Type of facilities</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>
Sports Centres (Arena)	82%	85%	85%
Sports Grounds	99%	99%	99%
Tennis Courts	60%	62%	63%
Turf Pitches	75%	75%	74%

*Attendance Rate*

<b>Type of facilities</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>
Holiday camps	500 000	510 000	510 000
Water sports centres	123 000	122 000	120 000

**Information on the Location, Manpower, Venue Facilities, Expenditure Involved  
and the Facility-to-Population Ratio in Tsuen Wan District**

Location	Tsuen Wan Sports Centre (TWSC) is located between Tsuen Wan Park and Tsuen Wan Road, which is close to several large-scale residential developments, the Mass Transit Railway Tsuen Wan West Station and a public transport interchange
Site area	0.64 hectare
Manpower	1 Assistant Leisure Services Manager II; 1 Amenities Assistant I; 1 Amenities Assistant II; 1 Amenities Assistant III; and 3 Clerical Assistants
Venue facilities	1 main arena; 1 secondary hall; 1 activity room; 1 dance room; 1 table-tennis room; 1 fitness room; 1 children's play room; 1 outdoor climbing wall; and ancillary facilities including a doping control room, a first-aid room, toilets with changing facilities etc.
Project estimate	\$765.6 million
Facility-to-Population Ratio in Tsuen Wan District	5 sports centres (including TWSC) to a population of 311 100  (The Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines recommends 1 sports centre for 50 000 to 65 000 residential population)