

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Question:

Tsing Yi Southwest Sports Centre and Tsing Yi Southwest Swimming Pool under the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) have been commissioned. In this connection, will the Government inform this Committee of:

1. whether there has been any overspending in the course of construction of the sports centre;
2. the income and expenditures of the sports centre and swimming pool, and the measures to be taken by the Government to ensure the sustainable operation of the facilities;
3. the measures to be taken by the LCSD in response to comments from various users about insufficient water pressure at the sports centre, and whether compensation will be sought from the contractor;
4. the following information:

Facilities of Tsing Yi Southwest Sports Centre and Tsing Yi Southwest Swimming Pool	Usage Rate
Multi-purpose arena	
Multi-purpose activity rooms	
Dance rooms	
Outdoor sport climbing wall	
Children's playroom	
Swimming pool	

Asked by: Hon KWOK Ka-ki (Member Question No. (LegCo use): 311)

Reply:

1. There has not been any overspending in the course of construction of the Tsing Yi Southwest Sports Centre and Tsing Yi Southwest Swimming Pool.
2. The sports centre and swimming pool were commissioned in July 2017, and the income and expenditure in 2017-18 are set out below –

Facility	2017-18 (up to 28 February 2018)	
	Income (\$'000)	Expenditure (\$'000)
Sports Centre	1,161	6,721
Swimming Pool	913	8,657

3. Environmentally-friendly measures have been adopted in the design and operation of the facilities such as the requirement of Water Efficiency Grade 1 under the “Voluntary Water Efficiency Labelling Scheme” of the Water Supplies Department for water conservation. As part of our on-going efforts to provide quality service and in order to address the concerns of some users regarding water pressure, enhancement measures are being carried out to increase the water flow of the showers for bathing as appropriate.
4. The usage rates of the facilities are set out in the following table –

Facilities of Tsing Yi Southwest Sports Centre and Tsing Yi Southwest Swimming Pool	Usage Rate (%) (up to 28 February 2018)
Multi-purpose arena	69
Multi-purpose activity rooms	67
Dance rooms	60
Outdoor sport climbing wall	10
Children’s playroom	78
Swimming pool	Average daily admission: 390