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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 (Vincent LIU)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Home Affairs

Question:

It is stated in the Estimates that the Leisure and Cultural Services Department will make the public play spaces more innovative and fun by transforming more than 170 public play spaces across the territory over the next 5 years from year 2020-21 onwards. Please inform this Committee of the following:

- 1 Details on the location, construction period, completion date, particulars of transformation and estimated expenditure of those public play spaces which have transformation commenced in the previous year in each of the 18 districts.
- 2 Details on the location, construction period, completion date, particulars of transformation and estimated expenditure of public play spaces to be included for transformation in the coming 5 years in each of the 18 districts.

Asked by: Hon CHENG Wing-shun, Vincent (LegCo internal reference no.: 27)

Reply:

1. & 2. In order to make the public play spaces (PPS) more innovative and fun and to meet the needs of residents at the same time, the Government plans to transform more than 170 PPS managed by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) across the territory over the next 5 years. In the first year of the programme, 17 transformation projects will be launched. Details of the projects have yet to be worked out. The LCSD is following up with the relevant departments on the funding application for the transformation projects included in the first year of the programme with a view to launching the projects in the new financial year.

The transformation projects will offer the play spaces with different degrees of challenges and fun, and introduce more natural elements in order to provide innovative, challenging and interesting play spaces. The total estimated expenditure for the entire programme is \$686 million.

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