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Question:

The Kwai Chung Park has been lying idle since the completion of construction work in 2000. What is the specific timetable for its opening? Will the Leisure and Cultural Services Department allocate funding in 2013-14 to improve the facilities of the Park so as to bring it up to the required standard for opening to the public? What are the details and estimated manpower involved?

Asked by: Hon. KWOK Ka-ki

Reply:

The Kwai Chung Park is located at the former Gin Drinkers Bay Landfill (the Landfill). The Landfill (including the Park) was handed over to the Environmental Protection Department for conducting landfill restoration works in March 1999. Upon the completion of the restoration works in September 2000, the site was handed over to the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) which has since considered options for developing the site. Any proposed use of the site must take into account the constraints presented by a restored landfill, particularly construction works should not damage the capping system of the landfill or inhibit the aftercare work that needs to be carried out by the landfill restoration contractor.

LCSD consulted the Kwai Tsing District Council (KwTDC) on the future use of the restored Landfill site on 26 February 2013. KwTDC members took note of the site constraints and gave their views on possible development options. In the light of KwDC members' suggestions, LCSD will explore possible options and will consult KwTDC again in due course.

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