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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 Budget Speech that recreational facilities will be upgraded. Please inform this Committee of the following:

Regarding the construction or reconstruction of 12 football pitches under the Five-year Plan for Sports and Recreational Facilities, please provide details of the locations of the 12 football pitches, expenditure involved in the construction or reconstruction of each football pitch and the timetable; and

Regarding the \$318 million earmarked for implementing a five-year plan for upgrading football pitches, please provide details of the plan, the expenditure involved in each item and the timetable.

Asked by: Hon CHAN Pierre (LegCo internal reference no.: 47)

Reply:

1. In the Policy Address in January 2017, the Government announced the Five-Year Plan for Sports and Recreation Facilities which covers 26 projects, including the construction or reconstruction of 12 football pitches. Details of the pitches are as follows:

District	Project Name	Construction/ Reconstruction	No. of Football Pitches	Works Commencement Date	Tentative Completion Date
Yau Tsim Mong	Open Space at Hoi Fan Road, Tai Kok Tsui	Construction	1	2021 (Note 1)	2023 (Note 1)

Sha Tin	Amenity Complex in Area 103, Ma On Shan (pre-construction activities) (known as Sports Centre in Area 103, Ma On Shan in the Policy Address in January 2017)	Construction	1	2020	2023
Kwun Tong	Improvement of Hoi Bun Road Park and Adjacent Area (known as Improvement of Hoi Bun Road Park and Adjacent Area, Kwun Tong in the Policy Address in January 2017)	Reconstruction	1	2018	2021
Kwun Tong	Improvement of Lam Wah Street Playground and Adjacent Area (known as Improvement of Lam Wah Street Playground and Adjacent Area, Kwun Tong in the Policy Address in January 2017)	Reconstruction	1	2020	2021-2022 (to be completed in phases)
Yuen Long	Redevelopment of Yuen Long Stadium (pre-construction activities)	Reconstruction	1	2019	2022

Yuen Long	Sports Facilities with Public Vehicle Park in Tung Tau Industrial Area, Yuen Long (known as Redevelopment of Tung Tau Industrial Area Playground, Yuen Long in the Policy Address in January 2017)	Reconstruction	2	(Note 2)
Tai Po	Football-cum-Rugby Pitch with Public Vehicle Park in Area 33, Tai Po (known as Football-cum-Rugby Pitch in Area 33, Tai Po in the Policy Address in January 2017)	Construction	1	
Tuen Mun	Sports Ground and Open Space in Area 16, Tuen Mun	Construction	1	
Tuen Mun	Open Space in Area 6, Tuen Mun	Construction	2	
Tuen Mun	Open Space in Area 17, Tuen Mun	Construction	1	

As the pitches form part of the project estimate, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (the LCSD) does not have separate figures on the expenditure for the pitches.

Note 1: The tentative completion date is based on the assumption that funding approval is given by the Finance Committee (FC) of the Legislative Council (LegCo) in the first half of 2021.

Note 2: As the projects are at different planning stages, the implementation programme of the projects is being worked out. We will provide details when we consult the relevant LegCo panels and the Public Works Subcommittee, and seek the funding approval of the FC on these projects.

2. Regarding the implementation of a five-year plan for upgrading football pitches, the LCSD is actively exploring, with the relevant works departments, the technical feasibility of carrying out improvement works, having regard to various factors including the actual conditions of football pitches, usage rates of existing football pitches, views from national sports associations and local community, etc. in drawing up the details of the improvement works, including the priority, estimated expenditure involved, etc. More than 70 venues under the management of the LCSD are expected to be involved.

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