

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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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:

In connection with “earmarking \$318 million to implement a five-year plan for upgrading over 70 football pitches under the management of LCSD, including substantially increasing the number of 5-a-side football pitches meeting international standards, exploring the possibility of expanding the existing football pitches into standard 11-a-side turf pitches and expediting the replacement of artificial turf on football pitches”,

- please provide information on the number, locations, commissioning dates of the 5-a-side football pitches proposed to be additionally provided and the expenditures involved, broken down by district;
- please provide in the table below information on the number, locations, works commencement dates and commissioning dates of the football pitches proposed to be expanded into standard 11-a-side turf pitches and the expenditures involved:

District	Location of existing venue	Works commencement date	Commissioning date	Expenditure involved

- please provide in the table below information on the names, locations, works commencement dates, commissioning dates of venues of which replacement of artificial turf is proposed to be expedited and the expenditures involved:

District	Location of existing venue	Works commencement date	Commissioning date	Expenditure involved

Reply:

Regarding the implementation of a five-year plan for upgrading football pitches, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (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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