CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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<u>Head</u>: (95) Leisure and Cultural Services Department

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<u>Programme</u>: (1) Recreation and Sports

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Question:

It is mentioned in Matters Requiring Special Attention in 2021-22 that the Government will continue to implement the Five-Year Plan to enhance and increase the provision of sports and recreational facilities to meet the needs of the general public and support the development of sports in Hong Kong. Please provide in the table below the implementation progress of the sports and recreation projects under the Five-Year Plan.

Project Name	Major Facilities	Project Status	Project Commencement Date	Commissioning Date	Estimated Expenditure

Asked by: Hon MA Fung-kwok (LegCo internal reference no.: 47)

Reply:

The Government earmarked \$20 billion in 2017 to launch 26 projects in the next 5 years to develop new or improve existing sports and recreation facilities in different districts. Funding approval has already been obtained from the Legislative Council (LegCo) for 16 projects, of which the Waterfront Promenade adjacent to the Hong Kong Children's Hospital was opened for public use in February 2021. The pre-construction activities/works have commenced for 14 projects, with the remaining to commence within 2021. Details of the 16 projects are as follows -

Project	Major New/Improved Recreation and Sports Facilities	Works Start Date	Tentative Completion/ Completion Date	Estimated Expenditure (\$M)
1. Avenue Park at Kai Tak	Including open space and an outdoor basketball court	2018	2021	321.9

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2.	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)	Including open space and a 5-a-side football pitch	2018	2021	186.7
3.	District Open Space (Phase 1) Adjoining San Po Kong Public Housing Development (known as Open Space at Sze Mei Street, San Po Kong in the Policy Address in January 2017)	Open space	2019	2021	179.7
4.	Open Space in Area 6, Tai Po	Including open space and 2 outdoor basketball courts	2019	2021	93.8
5.	Open Space in Area 47 and 48, North District	Open space	2019	2021	123.7
6.	Provision of Heated Pool at the Morse Park Swimming Pool Complex, Wong Tai Sin	Redevelopment of an outdoor swimming pool into a heated pool	2018	2022	576.5
7.	Redevelopment of Yuen Long Stadium (pre-construction activities)	Redevelopment of a sports ground	2019	2022	45.4
8.	Station Square at Kai Tak	Including open space, 2 lawn bowling greens and 2 cycling grounds	2019	2021 (Phase 1) 2022 (Phase 2)	1,651.5
9.	Swimming Pool Complex and Open Space in Area 107, Tin Shui Wai	Including a swimming pool complex and open space	2019	2022	1,336.0
10	. Waterfront Promenade adjacent to the Hong Kong Children's Hospital	Open space	2018	Opened for public use in 2021	82.2
11	. Hoi Sham Park Extension in Kowloon City District (known as Hoi Sham Park Extension, To Kwa Wan in the Policy Address in January 2017)	Including open space and 4 tennis courts	2020	2023	293.2

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12. 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)	Including open space and a 5-a-side football soccer pitch for co-use as a handball court	2020	2021-22 In Phases	145.5
13. Open Space at Hoi Fai Road, Tai Kok Tsui	Open space	2020	2023	104.0
14. Redevelopment of Kowloon Tsai Swimming Pool Complex	Redevelopment of swimming pool complex to provide an indoor heated pool, an outdoor training pool and an outdoor leisure pool	2020	2024	1,120.0
15. Amenity Complex in Area 103, Ma On Shan (known as Sports Centre in Area 103, Ma On Shan in the Policy Address in January 2017)	Including a sports centre, an indoor heated training pool, an indoor heated teaching pool and an indoor heated jacuzzi	2020	2023	74.3
16. Open Space in Area 27 (Phase 1), Tuen Mun (carried out in the form of Minor Building Works)	Open space	2021	2023	25.0

We plan to seek the funding approval of the LegCo Finance Committee (FC) for 4 projects in the 2020-21 legislative year. Details are as follows -

	Project	Major New/Improved Recreation and Sports Facilities	Works Start Date (Note)	Tentative Completion Date (Note)	Estimated Expenditure (\$M) (Note)
1.	Town Park in Area 68, Tseung Kwan O (known as Town Park in Area 66 and 68, Tseung Kwan O in the Policy Address in January 2017)	Including open space, 2 outdoor basketball courts and a bicycle park (for children)	2021	2024	558.2
2.	Kwai Chung Park	Open space	2021	2023	318.3
3.	Open Space at Hoi Fan Road, Tai Kok Tsui	Including open space, a 7-a-side artificial turf soccer pitch and 2 outdoor basketball-cum- volleyball courts	2021	2023	196.1

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4. Open Space at Hung Hom Waterfront	Including open space and an outdoor basketball court	2021	2024	266.7

Note: The tentative start date, completion date and estimated expenditure are based on the assumption that FC's funding approval is given in the first half of 2021.

As regards the remaining projects, they are at different planning stages. Cost estimate and implementation programme of the projects are 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 FC on these projects.