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Question:

1. It is mentioned in Brief Description 6 that the LCSD is developing the new intelligent sports and recreation services booking and information system in phases and that the new system will replace the Leisure Link computerised booking system and will allow more efficient, convenient and user-friendly booking of the sports and recreation facilities provided by the Department. The new system is being developed in 2 phases and is planned to be commissioned by the end of 2022 and the first half of 2024 respectively. What are the differences between the services covered under the 2 phases? How is the development progress? Will the commissioning dates be deferred due to the impact of COVID-19?

Asked by: Hon POON Siu-ping (LegCo internal reference no.: 44)

Reply:

The new intelligent sports and recreation services booking and information system (the new system) will provide efficient, convenient and user-friendly booking service which can encourage members of the public to participate in sports regularly. The new system is being developed in 2 phases. The core functions to be introduced under Phase 1 include facility booking, programme enrolment, membership registration and management, venue/facility management, programme management, balloting and allotment, attendance management, e-payment and mobile app. While the enhanced functions will be rolled out in Phase 2, which include bookings by organisations, major events management, holiday camps allotment, fitness room management, water sports facilities management, swimming lane booking and management, etc.

The rampant COVID-19 pandemic in the past year has affected the progress of developing the new system. The development team of the system is now pressing ahead with the development of the system of Phase 1. It is anticipated that the core functions of Phase 1 and the enhanced functions of Phase 2 will be rolled out in 2023 and 2024 respectively.