

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Programme: (1) Recreation and Sports

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Director of Bureau: Secretary for Culture, Sports and Tourism

Question:

In connection with the implementation of the Ten-year Development Blueprint for Sports and Recreation Facilities (the Blueprint) to provide diversified recreation and sports facilities in a sustainable manner, would the Government inform this Committee of the following:

1. Among the 16 works projects recommended for implementation in Phase 1 of the Blueprint, please set out the progress of each project, including (i) the commencement date; (ii) the estimated works expenditure; and (iii) the types of sports or recreation facilities to be provided;
2. It is mentioned in Phase 1 of the Blueprint that technical feasibility studies would be conducted for 15 works projects. What are the progress of the studies and the details of the projects?
3. The 2023 Policy Address has proposed the construction of a swimming pool suitable for hosting international competitions and an arena with fencing training and competition facilities. What are the relevant preparatory work, the proposed sites, the estimated works expenditure and the commencement dates?

Asked by: Hon CHENG Wing-shun, Vincent (LegCo internal reference no.: 17)

Reply:

1. The Ten-year Development Blueprint for Sports and Recreation Facilities (the Blueprint) will involve about 30 works projects of sports and recreation facilities, which include sports centres, swimming pools, sports grounds and parks. We plan to commence 16 projects for sports and recreation facilities in the first 5 years (the list of which is at Annex). Funding approval involving around \$2.7 billion has been obtained from the Legislative Council for 2 of the 16 projects. The 2 projects, namely Quarry Park in Anderson Road Quarry and the Joint-user Complex at Site G2, Anderson Road Quarry, commenced construction in 2023, with the former expected to be completed in 2026 while the latter in 2027. The remaining projects are currently at various planning

stages, and details of the projects concerned, including the commencement dates, estimated expenditure and types of facilities, are yet to be confirmed.

2. Under the Blueprint, we plan to conduct technical feasibility studies for about 15 works projects in the first 5 years. The Government will, under the fiscal consolidation programme, review the order of priority, necessity and importance of the works projects under planning, such as conducting reviews on how to use public resources more effectively and the cost-effectiveness of the projects. For projects that are currently at the preliminary planning or conceptual stage, the implementation schedule will be adjusted in light of their importance, etc. Since the projects concerned are still at the preliminary planning stage, the schedule is not available for the time being.
3. To further promote and raise the standard of swimming and fencing, the Government will plan for a swimming pool suitable for hosting international competitions and an arena with fencing training and competition facilities. The feasibility of incorporating the projects into newly built facilities or converting existing facilities is under active consideration. As such, there is no final decision on the sites for the time being. In taking forward works projects, the Government has to adhere to the public works procedures from, inter alia, conducting technical feasibility studies, design and tendering to seeking funding approval. The estimated expenditure and implementation schedule of the projects concerned are not available at this stage.

**Ten-year Development Blueprint for Sports and Recreation Facilities
List of Projects Recommended for Implementation in Phase 1**

Project	District	Project title
1	Islands	Joint-user complex in Area 107, Tung Chung
2	Islands	Waterfront Promenade in Tung Chung East
3	Islands	Cycle Park cum Skatepark in Area 147, Tung Chung
4	Eastern	Sports Centre and Open Space at Aldrich Bay
5	Kowloon City	Sung Wong Toi Park
6	Southern	Redevelopment of Sports and Recreation Facilities in Wong Chuk Hang
7	Sai Kung	Joint-user Complex at Site G2, Anderson Road Quarry
8	Sai Kung	Quarry Park in Anderson Road Quarry
9	Sai Kung	Sports Centre and Town Plaza at Sai Kung
10	Sai Kung	Water Sports Centre in Area 77, Tseung Kwan O
11	Sham Shui Po	Sports Centre, Outdoor Sports and Recreation Facilities, Social Welfare Facilities and Underground Public Vehicle Park at Po Lun Street, Lai Chi Kok (formerly Sports Centre at Lai Chi Kok)
12	Sha Tin	Whitehead Sports Park
13	Tai Po	Sports Centre, Social Welfare Facilities and Public Vehicle Park in Area 6, Tai Po
14	Wan Chai	Redevelopment of Hong Kong Stadium
15	Yuen Long	Leisure and Cultural Complex in Tin Yip Road, Tin Shui Wai – Phase II (formerly Sports Centre in Area 109, Tin Shui Wai)
16	Yuen Long	Sports Centre in Area 12, Yuen Long

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