

Science Sub-committee, Museum Advisory Committee
4th Meeting held on 26 September 2018

Summary of Discussion

- 1. Three Year Plans of the Science Museums and Related Offices managed by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department**
 - 1.1 Members noted and in general agreed to the three year plans of the science museums and other related offices managed by LCSD, including the annual programme plans for the financial year 2019-20 and the tentative programme plans for the financial years 2020-21 and 2021-22.
 - 1.2 Members made the following suggestions for enriching the Hong Kong Science Museum's (HKScM) programme plans:-
 - (a) Re-connecting with the alumni of the "Fun Science Competition";
 - (b) Co-organising study tours (e.g. "Young Scientist Study Tour") with other Non-Governmental Organisations such as the Hong Kong Academy for Gifted Education;
 - (c) Implementing schemes in collaboration with local schools to display participating students' winning entries on LCSD's platforms;
 - (d) Arranging special museum tours for student ambassadors;
 - (e) Encouraging the Parent Teacher Associations to organise family visits to the science museums; and
 - (f) Training students to be docents for scientific events (e.g. "InnoTech Expo 2018").
 - 1.3 It was also suggested that LCSD could make use of online platforms for publicity and schools' enrolment of different museum activities.
 - 1.4 Members suggested the Hong Kong Space Museum (HKSpM) highlight the latest discovery and breakthrough in different fields of astronomy in their programmes; engage an appropriate ambassador for better brand building; and present exhibitions on natural disasters which were more relevant to the general public than astronomical events. Members also explored the possibility and constraints of expanding the HKSpM.

2. Progress on the Expansion of Hong Kong Science Museum and Improvements of Hong Kong Museum of History

- 2.1 Members noted the progress on the expansion of HKScM and Hong Kong Museum of History. Members advised LCSD to seek additional manpower resources to cope with the anticipated surge in workload having regard to the increase in exhibition space upon completion of the expansion project. Members also discussed the need to strike a balance between the increase in the overall museum attendance and quality visiting experience after the expansion of the HKScM.

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