

**Family Council**

**Transformation of Public Play Spaces  
Managed by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department**

**PURPOSE**

This paper provides background information to facilitate Members' discussion of the presentation to be made by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) on the Transformation of Public Play Spaces.

**BACKGROUND**

2. LCSD manages over 600 venues with outdoor children's playgrounds. To make the public play spaces more innovative and fun as well as to meet the aspirations of local residents at the same time, the Government announced in the Policy Address in 2019 the launching of a five-year plan to transform more than 170 public play spaces under LCSD. The total estimated expenditure for the entire project is about \$686 million.

**TRANSFORMATION OF PUBLIC PLAY SPACES**

3. A consultancy study on "Design of Play Space in LCSD Venues" had been conducted by the Architectural Services Department (ArchSD) with aims at reviewing current practices and developing design guidelines, which could make the public play spaces more attractive, user-inclusive and fun to play in a safe manner. Different degrees of challenges and fun, introduction of more natural elements in order to provide innovative, challenging and interesting play spaces would be included. With the positive feedback from the community on the transformation works of the children's play space in Tuen Mun Park into an innovative inclusive playground, the Government has proposed to adopt Tuen Mun Park as a prototype to transform the existing play spaces.

4. In the course of transforming public play spaces, LCSD will encourage and promote community participation and engagement through

engaging professional firm in organizing workshops, opinion surveys or other means to invite different stakeholders (including local children and their parents/caretakers) to offer opinions, to meet the needs of the residents.

5. In 2020-21 and 2021-22, 17 and 26 transformation projects have been rolled out respectively in various districts. A list of the venues undergoing transformation is at **Annex**. The Government will expedite the implementation of four of the projects in 2020-21 by advancing the date of completion from the second half of 2022 to the first half of the same year to let children and their families living in the vicinity enjoy the more challenging and fun play equipment sooner. LCSD has started preparing the list of venues to be transformed in 2022-23 and is planning for projects for the subsequent years. It is hoped that the transformation works for more than 170 venues can be launched before 2026.

### **ADVICE SOUGHT**

6. Members are invited to note the content of LCSD's presentation and provide views on the Transformation of Public Play Spaces.

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### List of Venues where Public Play Spaces will be Transformed

| District                     | Year of Launching of Transformation |  |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
|                              | 2020-21                             | 2021-22  |
| <b>Kowloon</b>               |                                     |  |
| Sham Shui Po District        | Sham Shui Po Park                   | Shun Ning Road Recreation Ground   |
| Kwun Tong District           | Jordan Valley Park                  | Ngau Tau Kok Road Sports Centre  |
| Yau Tsim Mong District       | Tong Mei Road Children's Playground | (i) Saigon Street Playground<br>(ii) Haiphong Road Children's Playground                       |
| Wong Tai Sin District        | Shung Ling Street Playground        | (i) Morse Park (Park No. 4)<br>(ii) Ngau Chi Wan Park (Children's Play Area on Upper Platform) |
| Kowloon City District        | Tai Wan Shan Park                   | Fat Kwong Street Garden No.1   |
| <b>Hong Kong Island</b>      |                                     |  |
| Central and Western District | Sun Yat Sen Memorial Park           | (i) Third Street Playground<br>(ii) Kwong Hon Terrace Garden                                   |
| Southern District            | Aberdeen Promenade                  | Shek Pai Wan Road Playground   |
| Eastern District             | King's Road Playground              | (i) Quarry Bay Park<br>(ii) Yee Tai Street Sitting-out Area                                    |
| Wan Chai District            | Tung Lo Wan Garden                  | Kwai Fong Street Playground  |
| <b>New Territories</b>       |                                     |  |
| Islands District             | Cheung Chau Park                    | Yung Shue Wan Playground   |
| Kwai Tsing District          | Tsing Yi Promenade                  | (i) Shek Yam Lei Muk Road Park<br>(ii) Mei King Playground                                     |
| Tsuen Wan District           | Pak Lam Road Garden                 | Jockey Club Tak Wah Park   |
| Sai Kung District            | Po Tsui Park                        | (i) Sai Kung Waterfront Park<br>(ii) Mau Tai Road Garden                                       |
| Sha Tin District             | Che Kung Miu Road Playground        | (i) Sha Tin Park<br>(ii) Ma On Shan Promenade (Children's Playgrounds No. 3 and No. 4)         |
| Tai Po District              | Yuen Shin Park                      | Chung Nga Road Children's Playground   |
| North District               | Hung Leng Children's Playground     | Wo Hing Playground   |
| Yuen Long District           | Fung Cheung Road Garden             | (i) Tin Shui Wai Park<br>(ii) Yuen Long Park   |
| Tuen Mun District            | #                                   | Tsing Shan Children's Playground   |

# Transformation works of the children play space in Tuen Mun Park were completed in **2018**.