Family Council

Progress of Work of the Sub-committees under the Family Council

PURPOSE

This paper invites Members to note the progress of work of the Sub-committees under the Family Council (the Council).

SUB-COMMITTEE ON THE PROMOTION OF FAMILY CORE VALUES AND FAMILY EDUCATION

2. The Sub-committee on the Promotion of Family Core Values and Family Education (the Promotion Sub-committee) held a meeting on 5 November 2015. In brief, the Promotion Sub-committee deliberated on the progress of the "2015/16 Family-Friendly Employers Award Scheme" (Award Scheme) as well as the strategy of the publicity campaign to be launched in 2016/17.

"2015/16 Family-Friendly Employers Award Scheme"

3. The Promotion Sub-committee noted the good progress of the Award Scheme. A total of 41 organisations as well as Government Bureaux/departments have agreed to join the Organising Committee (OC). The membership list of OC is at Annex. Besides, the meeting also discussed the implementation details and the publicity strategies of the Award Scheme. Amongst others, Announcement in the Public Interest (APIs) will be broadcast as part of the publicity campaign. With a view to sustaining the corporate image, the Promotion Sub-committee agreed to retain the family-friendly employment practices featured in the four APIs (i.e. "Chinese Medicine Shop"(中藥店篇), "Work from Home"(在家工作 篇), "Flexible Working Hours"(彈性上班篇) and "Call for Action"(號召 篇)) produced for the last Award Scheme, with the new appeal by the Chairman of the Council with Mr Roger KWOK (郭晉安) and Ms Cindy

AU (歐倩儀). The launching ceremony of the Award Scheme will be held at 6:00 p.m. on 15 December 2015 (Tue) at the Conference Hall of the Central Government Offices at Tamar.

4. The Promotion Sub-committee also brainstormed ideas on how to take forward the publicity campaign in 2016/17. After deliberations, it was agreed that, apart from promoting family core values in the community, it was equally important to enhance resilience of family. The Promotion Sub-committee would discuss in details the strategy and slogan of the campaign in the forthcoming meetings.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON FAMILY SUPPORT

5. The Sub-committee on Family Support (Support Sub-committee) met on 17 November 2015. The Support Sub-committee discussed the consultancy brief for the study on "Family Impact Assessment in Hong Kong" (the FIA Study) and "Family Development Fund".

Consultancy Brief for the Study on "Family Impact Assessment in Hong Kong"

6. The Support Sub-committee had deliberated on the consultancy brief prepared by the Central Policy Unit (CPU) on the FIA study and agreed that a consultant should be commissioned to (a) provide recommendations for the Council to improve current assessment framework, (b) develop a comprehensive and elaborated FIA checklist to assess the impacts of public policies and (c) conduct implementation evaluation of the use of FIA checklist. It was also agreed that the Consultant should conduct focus group discussions with and training sessions for the relevant parties, including government officials. It was expected that the whole study would take 18 months for completion.

Family Development Fund

- 7. After discussion, the Support Sub-committee agreed that there was no imminent need to set up the "Family Development Fund" and a three-pronged approach would be adopted in the meantime -
 - (a) expanding the scope of study topics to cover family-related issues in the Public Policy Research Funding Scheme currently administered by CPU;

- (b) supporting new family-related initiatives by granting thematic sponsorship to family-related initiatives on theme(s) to be selected by the Council starting from 2016-17 onwards; and
- (c) keeping in view the stocktaking study to be commissioned by CPU on existing Families Studies in Hong Kong before deciding on the way forward.

WAY FORWARD

8. The Sub-committees will continue to oversee their respective programmes and activities. Members are welcome to convey their comments and suggestions to the Secretariat.

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Annex

Membership List of 2015/16 Family-Friendly Employers Award Scheme Organising Committee

Convenor

Prof Shek Tan-lei, Daniel, SBS, JP Chairman of the Family Council

Deputy Convenors

Ms Loo Shirley Marie Therese, MH, JP Family Council Member Convenor, Sub-committee on the Promotion of Family Core Values and Family Education

Mr Lee Luen-fai Family Council Member Deputy Convenor, Sub-committee on the Promotion of Family Core Values and Family Education

Committee members

Mr Arthur Lee Chairman ACCA Hong Kong

Ms Ip Wai, Cheryl Assistant Director - Human Resources, Facilities Management and Administration Construction Industry Council Hong Kong

Mr Ha Wing-on, Allen Co-Founder DADs Network

Ms Koon Shuk-fan, Jodi Senior Director - Operations Employers' Federation of Hong Kong Mr Jimmy Kwok Deputy Chairman Federation of Hong Kong Industries

Dr Ng Yin-kwok Executive Committee Member Federation of Medical Societies of Hong Kong

Prof Chan Lai-wan, Cecilia, JP Representative Heads of Universities Committee

Ms Lam Pik-chu, MH Acting Chairman Hong Kong Aided Primary School Heads Association

Mr James Tong Chairman Hong Kong Association for Customer Service Excellence

Ms Samantha Suen Representative Hong Kong Coalition of Professional Services

Mr Thomas Tse Secretary General Hong Kong Construction Association

Dr Andrew Chan Council Member Hong Kong Dental Association

Mr Lee Yuen-hong Chairman Hong Kong Federation of Restaurants & Related Trades

Ms Shirley Yuen Chief Executive Officer Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce

Mr Dennis Ho President Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants Ms Liu Fung-heung Chairman Hong Kong Kindergarten Association

Ms Ruth Yu Executive Director Hong Kong Retail Management Association

Dr Stephen Kwok, MH President Hong Kong Small and Medium Enterprises Association

Ms Mary Choi Head of Human Resources Hong Kong Trade Development Council

Ms Sandra Mak
President
Hong Kong Women Professionals and Entrepreneurs Association

Mr Cliff Sullivan Chairman Hongkong Association of Freight Forwarding and Logistics

Mrs Ivy Chen Senior Manager (Occupational Safety and Health) Human Resources Division Hospital Authority

Mr James Chan Chief Executive Officer Po Leung Kuk

Mrs Chan Li-lei Chairman (Designate) Pok Oi Hospital

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Ms Wu Wing-kui, Shirley Executive Committee Member The Chinese Manufacturers' Association of Hong Kong

Ms Christina Lee Women Affairs Committee Chairman & Executive Director The Hong Kong Chinese Importers' & Exporters' Association

Mr Choi Kim-wah, Cliff Business Director (Public Engagement & Partnership) The Hong Kong Council of Social Service

Mr Vincent Ma Vice-Chairman The Hong Kong Exporters' Association

Dr Chan Hau-ngai, Kingsley Council Member The Hong Kong Medical Association

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