

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:

It is mentioned in the Programme that sports and recreation facilities will continue to be planned and developed under the Ten-year Development Blueprint for Sports and Recreation Facilities from 2022-23 onwards. Would the Government inform this Committee of the following:

1. Regarding the 16 projects in Phase 1 of the Blueprint, what is the progress of implementation at present?
2. Regarding the plan to develop Hong Kong's second sports park at Whitehead of Ma On Shan in Phase 1 of the Blueprint, what is the expected completion date of the sports park?
3. It is mentioned in the Blueprint that about 30 sports and recreation facilities will be provided in 2 Phases. When will the planning for Phase 2 be announced?
4. Would the Government consider introducing more interesting facilities to attract members of the public to do more exercise?

Asked by: Hon LEUNG Yuk-wai, Kenneth (LegCo internal reference no.: 55)

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 and the estimated expenditure, are yet to be confirmed.

2. In a continuous effort to promote the development of sports in Hong Kong, the Government plans to construct Whitehead Sports Park in Ma On Shan to provide various large-scale recreation and sports facilities. Since Whitehead Sports Park is a large-scale and complex project involving numerous massive recreation and sports facilities, site formation works, transportation infrastructure, etc., the Government has commissioned a consultancy for the preliminary study of the overall planning of the project with a view to commencing the relevant technical feasibility study.
3. 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.
4. To encourage members of the public to develop the habit of regular exercise, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) organises diversified recreation and sports programmes for participation by people of different ages and abilities. In addition, the LCSD will begin to provide smart fitness equipment in the fourth quarter this year, and will continue to conduct study for more new and fun facilities so as to encourage members of the public to exercise more.

**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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