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COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PLANS FOR MONG KOK
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THE MONG KOK DISTRICT BOARD HAS DRAWN UP A TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OUTLINING THE DISTRICT'S MAJOR PROJECTS AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROGRAMMES FOR THE COMING FINANCIAL YEAR.

FOLLOWING RECENT DISCUSSIONS, BOARD MEMBERS AGREED TO EMBARK ON A SERIES OF PROJECTS TO IMPROVE THE WELFARE AND ENVIRONMENT OF THE DISTRICT.

OVER THE YEARS THE DISTRICT LACKED A COMPREHENSIVE OUTLINE ZONING PLAN AND SITES WERE NOT SYSTEMATICALLY DEVELOPED. THE BOARD FOUND THAT THE PROVISION OF RECREATIONAL AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES WAS PARTICULARLY INADEQUATE TO MEET DEMANDS.

BOARD MEMBERS LEARNED THAT AN INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR MONG KOK WAS BEING DRAFTED AND THEY HOPED PART OF THE PLAN COULD BE MADE KNOWN TO THE BOARD BEFORE ITS RELEASE, SO THAT A SPECIAL WORKING GROUP COULD BE SET UP TO STUDY THE PLAN AND TO GATHER RESIDENTS' VIEWS ABOUT VARIOUS DEVELOPMENTS.

MULTI-STOREY BUILDING MANAGEMENT HAD LONG BEEN A PROBLEM IN THE DISTRICT AND THE BOARD LOOKED FORWARD TO THE POSSIBILITY OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A BUILDING MANAGEMENT CO-ORDINATION TEAM. MEANWHILE, THE BOARD'S MULTI-STOREY BUILDING MANAGEMENT (PILOT SCHEME) WORKING GROUP WOULD CONTINUE TO ENCOURAGE THE UPGRADING OF THE STANDARD OF CLEANLINESS AND HYGIENE IN SOME PROBLEMATIC PRIVATE BUILDINGS.

IN THE COMING YEAR, THE BOARD WOULD RESPOND TO THE GOVERNMENT'S CALL TO PROMOTE CIVIC EDUCATION UNDER A SCHEME BEING CO-ORDINATED BY THE CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION.

MEMBERS WOULD CONTINUE THEIR EFFORTS TO IMPROVE LINKS WITH THE PUBLIC AND RESIDENTS' ORGANISATIONS, SUCH AS THE MUTUAL AID COMMITTEES AND THE OWNERS' CORPORATIONS. THROUGH THEIR COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE GRASSROOT BODIES, BOARD MEMBERS COULD EXPLAIN THE FUNCTIONS OF THE DISTRICT BOARD AND THE STRUCTURE OF DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION TO THE PUBLIC, AND AT THE SAME TIME EDUCATE RESIDENTS ON THEIR CIVIC DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

TO FOLLOW UP ON THE FINDINGS OF A SURVEY ON THE EFFECTS OF PORNOGRAPHIC PUBLICATIONS ON YOUNG PEOPLE, THE BOARD WOULD CONTINUE TO URGE THE GOVERNMENT TO IMPLEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS PROPOSED IN THE SURVEY REPORT.

ON PREVENTION, THE BOARD WOULD LAUNCH A LARGE-SCALE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME IN COLLABORATION WITH LOCAL INTERESTED BODIES. THE BOARD WOULD ORGANISE SEMINARS AND EXHIBITIONS TO IMPART A CORRECT UNDERSTANDING OF GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT, AS WELL AS SEX EDUCATION.

THE BOARD WOULD ALSO CARRY OUT REGULAR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AND CONTINUE THE SCHEME OF SUBSIDISING LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS TO ORGANISE WHOLESOME ACTIVITIES SO THAT MORE RESIDENTS COULD BENEFIT.

SELECT COMMITTEE TO MEET LEGAL OFFICERS
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THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON COMPLEX COMMERCIAL CRIMES CHAIRED BY MR PETER C. WONG WILL MEET AGAIN WITH THE LEGAL DEPARTMENT IN A PUBLIC SESSION IN THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON TUESDAY, APRIL 1 AT 3 PM.

THE SOLICITOR GENERAL, MR JAMES FINDLAY, AND TWO CROWN PROSECUTORS FROM THE LEGAL DEPARTMENT, MR DANIEL MARASH AND MR JOHN SULAN, WILL CONTINUE THEIR SUBMISSION CONCERNING IMPROVEMENTS TO THE PROSECUTION OF COMMERCIAL CRIME CASES AND A COMMENTARY IN A HONG KONG CONTEXT ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FRAUD TRIALS (ROSKILL) COMMITTEE, AND ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS MEMBERS MAY HAVE.

THE CHAIRMAN SAID HE ALSO WELCOMES WRITTEN EVIDENCE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE NOT ONLY FROM THOSE PROFESSIONAL ORGANISATIONS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO PREVIOUSLY ASSISTED THE FIRST SELECT COMMITTEE FROM MAY TO AUGUST LAST YEAR BUT ALSO FROM ANY OTHERS WHO ARE WILLING TO HELP. AN INVITATION SEEKING OPINIONS HAS ALREADY BEEN SENT TO MEMBERS OF THE LEGAL PROFESSION AND VARIOUS COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL ORGANISATIONS SUCH AS THE HONG KONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE HONG KONG ASSOCIATION OF BANKS.

NOTE TO EDITORS:

MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA ARE WELCOME TO OBSERVE THE SESSION FROM THE PUBLIC GALLERY.

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TEMPORARY STUDY ROOM FACILITIES IN TUEN MUN
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STUDENTS IN TUEN MUN CAN USE THE CONFERENCE ROOMS IN THE COMMUNITY HALL AND CENTRES AS STUDY ROOMS ON CERTAIN DAYS OF THE WEEK DURING THE MORNING HOURS TO PREPARE FOR THEIR EXAMINATIONS, A TUEN MUN DISTRICT OFFICER SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE HALL AND CENTRES ARE THE TAI HING COMMUNITY HALL, THE YAU OI-ON TING COMMUNITY CENTRE, THE BUTTERFLY ESTATE COMMUNITY CENTRE AND THE SHAN KING COMMUNITY HALL, WHICH ARE ALL MANAGED BY CITY AND NEW TERRITORIES ADMINISTRATION.

THE CONFERENCE ROOMS WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS FROM APRIL 1 (TUESDAY) UNTIL THE END OF JUNE.

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AS EXAMINATION PERIODS DRAW NEAR, THE COMMUNITY HALL/CENTRES' MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES FOUND IT NECESSARY TO PROVIDE TEMPORARY STUDY ROOMS SO THAT STUDENTS WILL HAVE A QUIET ENVIRONMENT TO REVISE THEIR WORK, THE SPOKESMAN SAID.

THE FOLLOWING ARE THEIR OPENING DATES AND HOURS:

<u>CENTRE/HALL</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>
TAI HING COMMUNITY HALL	MONDAY, THURSDAY AND SATURDAY	9 AM TO 1 PM
YAU OI/ON TING COMMUNITY CENTRE	MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY	9 AM TO 1 PM
BUTTERFLY ESTATE COMMUNITY CENTRE	MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY	9 AM TO 1 PM
SHAN KING COMMUNITY HALL	MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY	9 AM TO 1 PM

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NEW URBCO CHAIRMAN, VICE-CHAIRMAN TO BE ELECTED
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THE NEW CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE URBAN COUNCIL WILL BE ELECTED AT A CLOSED-DOOR SESSION OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL ON TUESDAY (APRIL 1).

ALSO TO BE ELECTED ARE CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN OF THE COUNCIL'S 13 SELECT COMMITTEES.

FOLLOWING THE ELECTION, THE NEW COUNCIL CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN WILL MEET THE MEDIA AT 10.30 A.M. ON TUESDAY IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, FOURTH FLOOR, URBAN COUNCIL CHAMBER.

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BRIEFING ON NAM CHEONG STREET CLEARANCE
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A LARGE-SCALE ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE EXERCISE WILL BE CARRIED OUT IN SHAM SHUI PO IN MAY TO REMOVE 221 COMMERCIAL AND DOMESTIC STRUCTURES ERECTED ABOVE THE NAM CHEONG STREET NULLAH.

THE SITE, STRETCHING ALONG THE MIDDLE OF THE NAM CHEONG STREET CARRIAGEWAY, WAS INITIALLY DESIGNATED AS A TEMPORARY BAZAAR IN 1961 TO ACCOMMODATE HAWKER STALLS MEASURING 3 FEET BY 4 FEET.

HOWEVER, THE STALLS HAVE BEEN SUBSEQUENTLY DEVELOPED INTO COMPLEXED STRUCTURES, IN VIOLATION OF LICENSING STIPULATIONS AND POSED A WIDE RANGE OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND FIRE HAZARDS.

THEY HAVE BEEN THE SUBJECT OF REPEATED COMPLAINTS BY RESIDENTS AND THE ISSUE WAS DISCUSSED AT VARIOUS MEETINGS OF THE DISTRICT BOARD, WHICH AGREED THAT ALL THE STRUCTURES SHOULD BE DEMOLISHED.

AT A RECENT DISTRICT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING, IT WAS RESOLVED THAT THE SITE SHOULD BE CLEARED WITHIN 1986 AND THE URBAN COUNCIL AGREED TO DEVELOP THE SITE INTO AN AMENITY AREA.

A BRIEFING WILL BE HELD AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE ON TUESDAY (APRIL 1) TO ANNOUNCE OPERATIONAL DETAILS AND REHOUSING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THOSE AFFECTED BY THE CLEARANCE.

THE DISTRICT OFFICER, MR SYLVESTER TSE, AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE HOUSING DEPARTMENT, THE URBAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT WILL BE SPEAKERS ON THE PANEL.

THE BRIEFING WILL ALSO BE ATTENDED BY LOCAL DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NAM CHEONG STREET HAWKERS.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE BRIEFING AT 2.30 PM ON TUESDAY IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE SHAM SHUI PO DISTRICT OFFICE AT 39 TONKIN STREET.

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MUSIC SEMINAR FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS
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TEACHERS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND A SEMINAR ON EVALUATION TECHNIQUES AND THEIR APPLICATION TO THE MUSIC CURRICULUM IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS WHICH WILL BE HELD ON MAY 3.

ORGANISED BY THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, THE SEMINAR WILL BE HELD AT THE HONG KONG SCHOOLS MUSIC AND SPEECH ASSOCIATION OFFICE AT 54 JAFFEE ROAD, FOURTH FLOOR, KAM CHUNG BUILDING, WAN CHAI.

THE SEMINAR IS TO INTRODUCE DIFFERENT EVALUATION TECHNIQUES WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON ASSESSING MUSIC ACHIEVEMENTS.

THERE WILL BE TALKS ON STANDARDISED AND TEACHER-DESIGNED TESTS ON THE SUBJECT. WAYS TO INTERPRETE TEST RESULTS WILL BE EXPLORED.

SECONDARY SCHOOL MUSIC TEACHERS WISHING TO TAKE PART IN THE SEMINAR SHOULD SEND APPLICATIONS TO THE PRINCIPAL INSPECTOR (MUSIC), MUSIC SECTION, ADVISORY INSPECTORATE, EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, FIFTH FLOOR, LEE GARDENS, HYSAN AVENUE, BEFORE APRIL 21.

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FOUR SWIMMING POOLS TO RE-OPEN
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FOUR PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL COMPLEXES IN THE REGIONAL COUNCIL AREA WILL BE RE-OPENED ON TUESDAY (APRIL 1).

THEY ARE THE NORTH KWAI CHUNG JOCKEY CLUB PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL, TUEN MUN YAN OI TONG SWIMMING POOL, YUEN LONG PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL AND SHA TIN JOCKEY CLUB PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL.

THERE WILL BE FIVE SESSIONS DAILY FROM 7 AM TO 9.15 AM, 9.45 AM TO NOON, 1 PM TO 4 PM, 4.30 PM TO 6.45 PM AND 7.45 PM TO 10 PM.

THE KWAI SHING PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL WILL REMAIN CLOSED FOR ABOUT FOUR WEEKS FOR REPAIR WORK.

MEANWHILE, THE FANLING PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL, WHICH HAS BEEN OPENED THROUGHOUT THE WINTER SEASON, WILL BE CLOSED FROM APRIL 1 FOR ANNUAL MAINTENANCE.

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TRANSPORT COMPLEX CARPARK OPENING
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THE MULTI-STOREY CARPARK INSIDE THE TSUEN WAN TRANSPORT COMPLEX WILL BE OPEN FOR PUBLIC USE FROM TUESDAY (APRIL 1).

THE CARPARK, WHICH CAN ACCOMMODATE ABOUT 1 000 VEHICLES, IS THE 11TH GOVERNMENT MULTI-STOREY CARPARK MANAGED BY WILSON PARKING (HONG KONG) PTY. LIMITED.

PARKING FEES WILL BE \$4 PER HOUR BETWEEN 7 AM AND 7 PM AND \$3 PER HOUR BETWEEN 7 PM AND 7 AM. MONTHLY PASSES WILL BE SOLD AT \$550 EACH.

THE TSUEN WAN TRANSPORT COMPLEX NOW SERVES AS AN INTER-CHANGE FOR 15 BUS AND FOUR GREEN MINIBUS ROUTES. IT ALSO HOUSES PIER FACILITIES FOR FERRIES OPERATING BETWEEN TSUEN WAN AND TSING YI AND HOVERCRAFTS LINKING TSUEN WAN WITH CENTRAL.

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TO KWA WAN, WONG TAI SIN TRAFFIC CHANGES
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A NUMBER OF TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN KAU PUI LUNG ROAD, TO KWA WAN, FROM 10 AM ON WEDNESDAY (APRIL 2) TO FACILITATE PUBLIC LIGHT BUS OPERATION AND IMPROVE TRAFFIC FLOW IN THE AREA.

THESE ARE :

- * A PUBLIC LIGHT BUS STAND WILL BE PROVIDED ON KAU PUI LUNG ROAD SOUTHBOUND, BETWEEN A POINT ABOUT 27 METRES NORTH OF ITS JUNCTION WITH CHI KIANG STREET AND A POINT ABOUT 10 METRES SOUTH OF ITS JUNCTION WITH KIANG SU STREET. MEANWHILE, THE EXISTING 7 AM TO MIDNIGHT DAILY PLB RESTRICTED ZONE AT THE SAME LOCATION WILL BE LIFTED.
- * VEHICLES AT THE JUNCTION OF KAU PUI LUNG ROAD AND CHI KIANG STREET WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM MAKING U-TURNS FROM KAU PUI LUNG ROAD SOUTHBOUND TO ITS NORTHBOUND CARRIAGEWAY.

WITH EFFECT FROM THE SAME TIME, ALL PUBLIC LIGHT BUSES WILL BE PROHIBITED FROM ENTERING SLIP ROAD A LEADING FROM LUNG CHEUNG ROAD EASTBOUND CARRIAGEWAY TO FUNG MO INTERCHANGE IN WONG TAI SIN.

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SHEUNG WAN WATER CUT
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FRESH WATER SUPPLY TO SOME PREMISES IN SHEUNG WAN WILL BE TURNED OFF FROM 11 PM ON WEDNESDAY (APRIL 2) TO 6 AM THE FOLLOWING DAY FOR LEAKAGE TEST.

THE AFFECTED PREMISES ARE BOUNDED BY SHING WONG STREET, HOLLYWOOD ROAD, LADDER STREET AND CIRCULAR PATHWAY, INCLUDING 270-276 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL AND 1-2 TSUI ON LANE.

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