

Hong Kong Water Sports CouncilMinutes of the 20th Executive Committee held on 3rd September 2018 at 8:30 am
in the Bistro, RHKYCPresent

Raymond Ma Siu Wing	(RM)	Chairman
Mike Tanner	(MT)	Vice-Chairman
Johnnie C K Chan	(JC)	Vice-Chairman
MK Lau	(MK)	Honorary Executive Director
Chloe Lam	(CL)	Assistant to TW
Mike Arnold	(MA)	Board Secretary

Absent with apologies

Terence Wan	(TW)	Hon Treasurer
Ron Yeung	(RY)	Company Secretary

Action**1.0 Confirmation of Agenda**

1.1 The proposed agenda was confirmed without amendment.

2.0 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 19th Meeting held on 25th July 2018

2.1 The Minutes were confirmed without amendment.

3.0 Matters Arising from 19th Meeting

3.1 Para 3.1 Meeting with Hon Ma Fung-kwok: As some members indicated that they would have other commitments during September, it was agreed that the proposed meeting might be arranged in late September or October. RM
MT
JC

3.2 Para 3.3 Deloitte Consultancy Study on Provision of Sports Facilities in Hong Kong: MA reported that after contacting Deloitte, he was given to understand that the timeline for Deloitte to submit their report to the Government was mid-2019. Deloitte had also advised that although it was normal practice for the executive summary to be made public, the extent of information to be released to the public would be decided by HAB.

3.3 Para 3.4 Application to IRD for charitable status: The Committee noted that the Hon Legal Adviser, Vitus Leung, had received the trust documents and had asked the proposed four original trustees to appear RM
JC
MT

- before him on the same day to sign the documents. MK was asked to coordinate a suitable date and time. The Committee further noted that even after the documents were submitted to IRD, it could take up to a year for their approval. TW
MK
- 3.4 Para 3.5 Payment of annual subscriptions: MA noted that according to the latest subscription payment list circulated to the Committee members by CL on 31 August 2018, only the HKASA's subscription payment for 2018/2019 remained outstanding. He advised that the HKASA would not be entitled to vote or appoint Directors at the AGM in October if their subscription had not been paid by then. The Committee asked CL to speak to the person dealing with accounts in the HKASA. JC was also asked to mention this to Ronnie Wong if he had the opportunity to meet with him. CL
JC
- 3.5 Para 3.6 Update on Kai Tak Fire Station site – East Kai Tak Water Sports Centre (EKTWSC): The Committee noted that HAB had agreed to a further extension of time until 12 September 2018 for the Council to submit the revised financial and operational plans for the project. MT advised that the Operational Planning Committee would meet that afternoon with the intention of finalising everything. He noted that TD had recently raised one or two further technical questions, which could be easily answered. These were being dealt with by Ian Brownlee. MT queried and MA confirmed that HAB also wanted to receive updated letters of support from the three NSAs concerned. MT
- 3.6 Para 3.7 HKWSC website: MA reported he had successfully uploaded to the site then PDF files of the Fragrant Harbour articles provided by Bob Wilson (these can be found under the VIEWPOINT menu heading), He had also corrected the misplaced title shown under the logo for the HKLSS and had updated the HKCRA's logo.
- 3.7 Para 3.8 Update on Tseung Kwan O site: MT advised that a meeting had been held with Advisian, where it had been agreed to push ahead with the planning for developing the remaining two thirds of the site identified for the HKWSC's water sports centre. He further reported that the HKSF had separately written to the HKSI making the case for the one-third of the site identified for the HKSI to develop an elite windsurfing facility to be developed as a more all-encompassing elite sailing centre. MT
- 3.8 Para 3.9 Celebration of the HKWSC's 5th anniversary in 2018: The Committee noted that time was passing. RM suggested that rather than have one big event, the activities might be spread over the next 12 months. He suggested holding a small dinner for NSA representatives to explain where the Council stood today after 5 years and to suggest a fresh start to kick-off the next 5 years. Each NSA could be asked to RM

propose an activity to support this fresh start. He further suggested that the dinner might be held at the end of October.

- 3.9 Para 3.10 Possible Affiliation of 14 Uniformed Youth Groups: RM reported that he had met with representatives of the groups and his impression was that they were quite interested. He suggested that a profile of the HKWSC be drawn up to be given to the groups. He further suggested that the groups might be offered one year's free use of the EKTWSC before thinking about inviting them to enter into a more formal membership arrangement. The one year would enable the arrangements to be tested. In noting that the NSAs would have to be the actual providers of any courses and activities for the groups, RM considered that the NSAs would welcome the groups as a source of new members for their associations. The Committee agreed that reference to the proposed involvement of the uniformed groups should be included in the submission to be made to HAB by 12 September. RM
MK
MA
- 3.10 Para 3.11 Government's Review of Private Recreational Leases: The Committee noted the deadline for submissions of 26 September 2018, and upon reflection, considered that it might not be desirable if the HKWSC made a submission on its own. It was agreed that the matter should be raised at the Board meeting on 12 September to ask if any of the NSAs would be making their own separate submissions. On the proposed meeting with Stanley Wong, the Chairman of the Task force on Land Supply, the need for a meeting before 26 September was noted. The dates of 21 or 24 September were suggested as possible convenient dates for a meeting and JC was asked to discuss with Stanley Wong. JC
MA
- 3.11 Para 3.12 Tung Chung East Water Sports Centre: The Committee noted that a useful meeting had been held with representatives of AECOM and CEDD on 25 July 2018, where the Council's and NSAs' representatives gave their views and suggestions on the proposed water sports centre.
- 3.12 Para 3.13 Annual Accounts for 2017/18: MA referred to the audited draft Directors Report and Financial Statements circulated with the agenda and said that the Board would need to approve this document at its meeting on 12 September, so that it could be signed by the Chairman and others and then submitted to the AGM on 10 October 2018. MA further reminded the Committee that approval would also need to be sought for the reappointment of Patrick Wong CPA Limited as the auditors for 2018/19, with the authority to negotiate and agree the audit fee being delegated to the Committee. CL was asked to check with Patrick Wong to confirm that they would be happy to be re-appointed. MA
CL
- 3.13 Para 4.1 Kai Tak Sports Park: MT reported that he had spoken to Ian Brownlee and had subsequently advised Joachim Isler of the likely

timeline for the award of the tender for the Sports Park.

4.0 Board meeting on 12 September and AGM on 10 October 2018

4.1 MA referred to the draft 2018 Report of the Board on the Affairs of the Council, which he had circulated to members before the meeting, and said that the Report would need to be approved by the Board on 12 September for submission to the AGM. The Committee approved the proposed draft as suitable for submission to the Board. MA

5.0 Any Other Business

5.1 MA advised that it would be desirable to fix the proposed dates of the Board meetings in the next 12 months. He suggested the following dates:

Wednesday, 12 December 2018

Wednesday 13 March 2019

Wednesday 12 June 2019

Wednesday 11 September 2019

Wednesday 9 October 2019 (AGM)

The Committee agreed the proposed dates for formal approval of the Board on 12 September.

6.0 Date of Next Meeting

6.1 The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be held at 8:30am on Monday, 8 October 2018, in the Bistro of the RHYC.

Raymond Ma
Chairman