

Red flag hoisted at Hap Mun Bay Beach

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Red flags hoisted at several beaches

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The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (August 10) that due to big waves, red flags have been hoisted at Stanley Main Beach, Shek O Beach and Big Wave Bay Beach in Southern District, Hong Kong Island; Hung Shing Yeh Beach, Cheung Chau Tung Wan Beach and Tong Fuk Beach in Islands District; Clear Water Bay Second Beach in Sai Kung District. Beach-goers are advised not to swim at these beaches.

Chai Wan Public Fill Barging Point closed

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The Civil Engineering and Development Department today (August 10) announced that as Standby Signal No. 1 has been issued by the Hong Kong Observatory, the Chai Wan Public Fill Barging Point has been closed until further notice.

Appointments to Legal Aid Services Council

The Government announced today (August 10) that the Chief Executive has re-appointed Dr Eric Li Ka-cheung as the Chairman of the Legal Aid Services Council for a term of one year with effect from September 1, 2018.

The Chief Executive has also appointed and re-appointed members to the Council for a term of two years with effect from September 1, 2018. The newly appointed members are Mr Tim Parker and Mr Randy Shek, who are barrister members nominated by the Hong Kong Bar Association; Mr Nicholas Chan Hiu-fung and Mr Warren Ganesh, who are solicitor members nominated by the Law Society of Hong Kong; and Ms Iris Wan Lai-sze as a lay member. Three lay members, namely Mr Clarence Leung Wang-ching, Ms Ayesha Abbas Macpherson and Ms Wong Wai-ching, have been re-appointed.

"We would like to thank the outgoing members, Ms Juliana Chow Hoi-ling, Ms Anna Kwong Sum-yee, Ms Melissa Kaye Pang and Ms Josephine Antonetta Pinto, for their sterling contribution and dedication to the work of the Council during their term of service," a Government spokesman said.

Established under the Legal Aid Services Council Ordinance (Cap. 489), the Council is responsible for overseeing the administration of the legal aid services provided by the Legal Aid Department and advising the Chief Executive on legal aid policy. The Council comprises a chairman and members who are not connected with the practice of law, barrister members and solicitor members nominated by the Hong Kong Bar Association and the Law Society of Hong Kong respectively, and the Director of Legal Aid. The membership list is attached in the Annex.

Regional Traffic Day of Hong Kong Island

Police yesterday (August 9) held the Regional Traffic Day on the Hong Kong Island to raise public awareness of road safety through stringent enforcement actions.

A total of 312 officers from Traffic Hong Kong Island and District Traffic Teams of Eastern, Wan Chai, Central and Western Districts were deployed to take enforcement actions at traffic black spots on the Hong Kong

Island.

The operation resulted in the issue of 1,506 fixed penalty tickets and 68 summonses. Among the fixed penalty tickets and summonses issued, a total of 1,328 fixed penalty tickets were issued for illegal parking and the rest are for other traffic offences.

Police figures revealed that a total of 1,723 traffic accidents involving casualties occurred on the Hong Kong Island in the first seven months of 2018, of which involved 468 pedestrian injuries.

Police will continue to take regular enforcement actions to ensure road safety.