

## Proposed sewerage works for site formation and infrastructure works for public housing developments at San Hing Road and Hong Po Road, Tuen Mun authorised

The Chief Executive in Council has authorised the proposed sewerage works for the site formation and infrastructure works for the public housing developments at San Hing Road and Hong Po Road, Tuen Mun. The notice was gazetted today (March 21).

The sewerage works comprise the following:

1. construction of about 2 500 metres of gravity sewers and associated manholes;
2. construction of about 600m of twin rising mains, one sewage pumping station and associated manholes;
3. upgrading of about 200m of existing gravity sewer; and
4. ancillary works including temporary closure and reinstatement of carriageways, footpaths, cycle tracks, and central medians/refuge islands or parts thereof.

Details of the sewerage works were published in the Government Gazette on January 26, 2024, and February 2, 2024.

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## Over 3 100 quality job vacancies to be offered at Job Fair for Middle-aged and Elderly Employment

The Labour Department (LD) will hold the Job Fair for Middle-aged and Elderly Employment at MacPherson Stadium in Mong Kok on March 25 and 26, providing a large number of vacancies from various industries for job seekers, particularly middle-aged and elderly people.

About 60 organisations will participate in the two-day job fair, offering over 3 100 quality job vacancies from various industries, among

which more than 2 000 are from catering, retail, property management and real estate industries. Around 30 organisations will set up booths and conduct recruitment on the spot each day. A wide variety of positions will be offered including engineer, repairing skilled worker, chemist, guest service officer, sales supervisor, administration clerk, nurse, driver, security guard, cook, beautician, health worker, inflight service operator and office assistant. Job seekers can visit the LD's Interactive Employment Service website ([www.jobs.gov.hk](http://www.jobs.gov.hk)) for more details of the vacancies.

Around 84 per cent of the vacancies offered at the job fair are full-time jobs. Most vacancies offer monthly salaries ranging from \$12,000 to \$25,000. About 94 per cent of the vacancies require a Secondary Seven education level or below. Around 65 per cent are open to job seekers without relevant work experience.

Job seekers can submit job applications during the event and may be selected for on-the-spot interviews. They can also make enquiries on the employment services provided by the LD at its counter inside the venue.

The job fair will be held from 11am to 5.30pm at 1/F, MacPherson Stadium, 38 Nelson Street, Mong Kok (near Mong Kok MTR Station Exit E2). Admission is free, with final admission time at 5pm each day.

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## **Gazettal of Bankruptcy and Companies Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Ordinance 2023 (Commencement) Notice 2025**

The Government published in the Gazette today (March 21) the Bankruptcy and Companies Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Ordinance 2023 (Commencement) Notice 2025 (the Commencement Notice).

Enacted by the Legislative Council in July 2023, the Bankruptcy and Companies Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Ordinance 2023 (the Amendment Ordinance) seeks to provide a legal basis for the Official Receiver's Office's Electronic Submission System (ESS), streamline the publication requirements of insolvency and related notices, and introduce miscellaneous amendments.

Provisions of the Amendment Ordinance relating to the first phase of ESS and the streamlined publication requirements of insolvency and related notices already took effect in December 2023. The Commencement Notice seeks to appoint July 14, 2025, as the commencement date for the remaining

provisions relating to the second phase of ESS.

The Commencement Notice will be tabled at the Legislative Council on March 26, 2025, for negative vetting.

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## Appointments to Family Council

The Government announced today (March 21) the reappointment of Ms Melissa Kaye Pang as the Chairperson of the Family Council, as well as the reappointment of 10 incumbent non-official members and the appointment of five new non-official members to the Council for a term of two years with effect from April 1, 2025.

The Secretary for Home and Youth Affairs, Miss Alice Mak, welcomed the appointments and reappointments. She said, "The Government will continue to support the work of the Council and would like to thank the outgoing members for their contributions and dedication to the work of the Council during their term of service."

The membership list of the Council for the new term is as follows:

### Chairperson

Ms Melissa Kaye Pang

### Ex-officio members

Dr Donald Li Kwok-tung, Chairperson of the Elderly Commission  
Dr Eliza Chan Ching-har, Chairperson of the Women's Commission  
Mr Kenneth Leung Yuk-wai, Vice-Chairperson of the Youth Development Commission

### Non-official members (reappointments)

Dr Gigi Hsin Pang Che-kwan  
Mr Lam Sum-lim  
Ms Lau Oi-sze  
Mr Law Fai  
Mr Perry Lou Yiu-tong  
Mr Warren Luk Hua  
Mr Solomon Wong Bing-kin  
Miss Koby Wong Lok-yin  
Mr Yau Siu-hung  
Mr Jeremy Young Chit-on

### Non-official members (new appointments)

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Ms Kathy Chung Lai-kam  
Mr Ho Ting-hong  
Mr Victor Kwok Hoi-kit  
Mrs Helena Pong Tung Ching-yee  
Dr Loletta So Kit-ying

Official members

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Secretary for Home and Youth Affairs or her representative  
Secretary for Labour and Welfare or his representative  
Secretary for Education or her representative

Since its establishment in 2007, the Council has served as a cross-sector and cross-bureau platform for advising the Government on family-related policies and promoting a culture of loving families as well as the family core values of "Love and Care", "Respect and Responsibility" and "Communication and Harmony" in the community.

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## **Compensation levels for work injuries and occupational diseases to increase from April 17**

The Labour Department (LD) today (March 21) announced that the levels of compensation for employees injured at work or suffering from prescribed occupational diseases under the Employees' Compensation Ordinance (ECO) or family members of deceased employees, persons suffering from pneumoconiosis or mesothelioma or family members of persons who die as a result of these diseases, and persons suffering from occupational deafness, will be increased on April 17.

The Legislative Council on March 20 passed three resolutions to increase the levels of 18 compensation items under the ECO, the Pneumoconiosis and Mesothelioma (Compensation) Ordinance (PMCO), and the Occupational Deafness (Compensation) Ordinance (ODCO). The amendments were gazetted today and will become effective on April 17.

"Under the established mechanism, the levels of compensation under the ECO, the PMCO and the ODCO are adjusted every two years where appropriate. Adjustments for most compensation items, if required, are normally made in light of the wage movement as reflected by the Nominal Wage Index or the price movement as reflected by the Consumer Price Index (A) during the relevant period, whereas the levels of some compensation items are adjusted after taking into account other relevant factors," a spokesman for the LD

said.

As a result of the adjustments this time, the levels of 18 compensation items under the three Ordinances will be increased by 3.8 per cent to 86.3 per cent (see details in the Appendix).

"The increased levels of compensation will enhance the protection for employees injured at work or sufferers of occupational diseases as well as family members of deceased employees or persons who die of work injuries or occupational diseases," the spokesman added.