

Special traffic arrangements for race meeting in Sha Tin tomorrow

Police advise motorists that special traffic arrangements will be implemented in Sha Tin to facilitate the race meeting tomorrow (January 1).

The arrangements will come into effect two hours before the start of the first race and will last until the crowds have dispersed after the race meeting.

Appropriate traffic signs will be put up and police will be on hand to guide motorists.

The Police also appeal to people going to Sha Tin Racecourse for the race meeting and to Happy Valley Racecourse for cross betting to make maximum use of public transport.

Parking spaces at the two racecourses are available only to holders of appropriate permits issued by Hong Kong Jockey Club and any vehicles illegally parked will be towed away.

Ping Shan Tin Shui Wai Swimming Pool temporarily closed

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible and repeat it at regular intervals:

Here is an item of interest to swimmers.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (December 31) that Ping Shan Tin Shui Wai Swimming Pool in Yuen Long District has been temporarily closed for cleaning and superchlorination following the discovery of a small amount of vomit in the pool.

It will be reopened at 7.30pm today.

The department appeals to swimmers to be considerate and to keep the swimming pools clean. They are advised not to swim after a full meal and should use the toilet facilities if necessary before swimming.

Appointments to Hong Kong Arts Development Council

The Government today (December 31) announced that the Chief Executive has appointed Dr Wilfred Wong Ying-wai as Chairman of the Hong Kong Arts Development Council (HKADC) for a period of one year from January 1, 2020. The Chief Executive has also appointed Dr Frankie Yeung Wai-shing as Vice-chairman of the HKADC for a period of three years from January 1, 2020.

The Chief Executive has appointed the following persons as members of the Council for a period of three years from January 1, 2020:

Mr Chris Chan Kam-shing*
Ms Sylvia Chan May-kuen
Mr Sunny Chan Wing-san*
Ms Winnie Chiu Wing-kwan
Mr Chow Pok-yin*
Mr Kenneth Fok Kai-kong
Mr Andy Hei Kao-chiang
Mr Kwong Wai-lap*
Ms Lam Lit-kwan
Ms Lau Wai-ming*
Mr Lee Chun-leung*
Dr Lo Wai-luk*
Dr Johnny Ng Kit-chong
Mr Ng Sui-wan (Ng Yu)
Mr Pong Kin-yee
Professor Poon Wai-sum
Mr Patrick Tong Hing-chi
Mr Wu Chun-him*
Mr Yan Pat-to*
Mr Vigo Yau Ah-kwai
Mr Daniel Yeung Chun-kong*
Mr Paul Yeung Kwok-leung

*Representatives returned by the arts sector in the 2019 nomination exercise.

The following three government representatives are ex-officio members of the HKADC:

Secretary for Home Affairs or his representative
Permanent Secretary for Education or his representative
Director of Leisure and Cultural Services or his representative

The above appointments will be published in the Government Gazette on January 3, 2020.

The HKADC is a statutory body established in 1995 to promote and support the development of the arts in Hong Kong.

Appointments to Hong Kong-Taiwan Cultural Co-operation Committee

The new term of the Hong Kong-Taiwan Cultural Co-operation Committee (HKTCCC) has been appointed. Mr Maurice Lee is appointed as the convenor of the HKTCCC. The tenure of the new term of the HKTCCC is from January 1, 2020, to December 31, 2021.

Established in August 2010 as the Hong Kong counterpart of the Cultural Co-operation Committee under the Taiwan-Hong Kong Economic and Cultural Co-operation Council in Taiwan, the HKTCCC aims to foster exchanges, liaisons and co-operation between the two places in the development of arts and culture and the creative industries.

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The membership list of the new term of the HKTCCC is as follows:

Convenor

Mr Maurice Lee*

Members

Ms Anne Lee*

Professor Leung Bo-wah*

Mr David Lo

Ms Lui Dik-ming*

Mr Ng Cheuk-yin

Mr Tang Shu-wing

Mr Alan Wan*

Secretary for Home Affairs or his representative

Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development or his representative

Director of Leisure and Cultural Services or his representative

(*new appointees)

Appointments to Council of Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts

The Chief Executive has re-appointed Professor Stephen Chow Chun-kay as Chairman of the Council of the Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts (HKAPA). The Chief Executive has also appointed Dr Anthony Chow Wing-kin as Deputy Chairman and re-appointed Ms Yvonne Shing Mo-han as Treasurer of the HKAPA Council. The above appointments are made for a period of two years from January 1, 2020.

The Chief Executive has also appointed the following persons as members of the Council of the HKAPA for a period of two years from January 1, 2020:

Ms Maisy Ho Chiu-ha (re-appointed)
Mrs Christine Ip Yeung See-ming
Mr Leon Ko Sai-tseung (re-appointed)
Ms Anna Kwong Sum-yee (re-appointed)
Ms Sheryl Lee Ming-chi
Ms Cynthia Liu Chiu-fun
Professor Clarence Mak Wai-chu
Mr Douglas So Cheung-tak (re-appointed)
Mr Alvin Yiu Cheuk-man
Secretary for Home Affairs or his representative (re-appointed)
Secretary for Education or his representative (re-appointed)

Serving members of the Council include:

Mrs Helen Chan
Mr Nick Ho Lik-ko
Mr Charles Yang Chuen-liang
Director of the HKAPA (ex-officio)

The above appointments will be published in the Government Gazette on January 3, 2020.