

HAD opens temporary heat shelters

The Home Affairs Department will continue to open 19 community halls/community centres as temporary heat shelters today (May 30).

The temporary heat shelters will remain open for people to take refuge from the heat when the Very Hot Weather Warning is in force. From 10.30pm to 8am the next day, the temporary heat shelters will also provide bedding and a sleeping place for people in need. The shelters are manned by duty attendants.

For further information, please call the department's hotline before midnight on 2572 8427.

The heat shelters are located at:

Hong Kong Island:

Central and Western –

Sai Ying Pun Community Complex Community Hall
3/F, Sai Ying Pun Community Complex
2 High Street, Sai Ying Pun

Eastern –

Causeway Bay Community Centre
3/F, 7 Fook Yum Road, Causeway Bay

Southern –

Wah Kwai Community Centre
Wah Kwai Estate, Kellett Bay

Wan Chai –

Wan Chai Activities Centre
LG/F, Wan Chai Market, 258 Queen's Road East, Wan Chai

Kowloon Districts:

Kowloon City –

Hung Hom Community Hall
1/F, Kowloon City Government Offices
42 Bailey Street, Hung Hom

Kwun Tong –

Lam Tin (West) Estate Community Centre
71 Kai Tin Road, Lam Tin

Sham Shui Po –

Shek Kip Mei Community Hall
G/F, Block 42, Shek Kip Mei Estate, Sham Shui Po

Wong Tai Sin –
Tsz Wan Shan (South) Estate Community Centre
45 Wan Wah Street, Tsz Wan Shan

Yau Tsim Mong –
Henry G Leong Yaumatei Community Centre
60 Public Square Street, Yau Ma Tei

New Territories Districts:

Islands –
Tung Chung Community Hall
G/F, Tung Chung Municipal Services Building, 39 Man Tung Road, Tung Chung

Kwai Tsing –
Kwai Shing Community Hall
Podium, Block 6, Kwai Shing West Estate, Kwai Chung

North –
Cheung Wah Community Hall
Cheung Wah Estate, Fanling

Sai Kung –
Hang Hau Community Hall
G/F, Sai Kung Tseung Kwan O Government Complex, 38 Pui Shing Road, Hang Hau,
Tseung Kwan O

Sha Tin –
Lung Hang Estate Community Centre
Lung Hang Estate, Sha Tin

Tai Po –
Tai Po Community Centre
2 Heung Sze Wui Street, Tai Po

Tsuen Wan –
Lei Muk Shue Community Hall
G/F, Hong Shue House, Lei Muk Shue Estate, Tsuen Wan

Tuen Mun –
Wu Shan Road Community Hall
101 Wu Shan Road, Tuen Mun

Yuen Long –
Long Ping Community Hall
Long Ping Estate, Yuen Long

Yuen Long –
Tin Yiu Community Centre
Tin Yiu Estate, Tin Shui Wai

In addition to the above heat shelters, a number of community halls/community centres can also be used for taking refuge from the heat during their operating hours. For their address details, please browse the following

document: www.had.gov.hk/file_manager/en/documents/public_services/emergency_services/List_CH_CC_Day_E.pdf.

Thematic Household Survey Report No. 77 published

The Thematic Household Survey Report No. 77 is published by the Census and Statistics Department (C&SD) today (May 30).

This publication contains key findings on information technology (IT) usage and penetration based on the Thematic Household Survey conducted during June to September 2022.

The survey results showed that the majority of households (96.1%) had Internet access at home in 2022. Among these households, smartphone was the most popular type of device connected to the Internet at home (99.9%), whereas personal computer (PC) came next (78.1%).

The usage of the Internet remained very popular. The percentage of persons aged 10 and over who had used the Internet during the 12 months before enumeration increased from 92.4% in 2020 to 95.6% in 2022. In particular, the increase was substantial among persons aged 65 and over (from 65.9% to 81.8%).

Findings of the survey also showed that the popularity of smartphones continued to increase. The smartphone penetration rate rose from 92.1% in 2020 to 97.1% in 2022. The increase was particularly remarkable among the elderly. In 2022, 90.7% of persons aged 65 and over had a smartphone, higher than the corresponding percentage (68.1%) in 2020.

The usage of mobile payments was also common in Hong Kong. The survey revealed that the percentage of persons aged 15 and over who had used mobile payments during the 12 months before enumeration increased from 49.4% in 2020 to 60.2% in 2022. Among others, the implementation of the Consumption Voucher Scheme by the Government should have promoted the wider use of electronic payment.

As for the usage of electronic Government services, the percentage of

persons aged 10 and over who had used one or more types of online Government service for personal matters during the 12 months before enumeration increased from 70.3% in 2020 to 89.1% in 2022.

Other information

The survey successfully enumerated target respondents in some 10 000 households in accordance with a scientific sampling scheme to represent the population of Hong Kong.

Detailed findings of the survey, together with the population coverage and concepts/definitions of key terms, are presented in the publication. Users can download the publication at the website of the C&SD (www.censtatd.gov.hk/en/EIndexbySubject.html?pcode=B1130201&scode=453).

Enquiries about the survey finding can be directed to the Social Surveys Section (1) of the C&SD (Tel: 2887 5103 or email: thematic@censtatd.gov.hk).

Exchange Fund Bills tender results

The following is issued on behalf of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority:

Exchange Fund Bills tender results:

Tender date	: May 30, 2023
Paper on offer	: EF Bills
Issue number	: Q2322
Issue date	: May 31, 2023
Maturity date	: August 30, 2023
Amount applied	: HK\$130,820 MN
Amount allotted	: HK\$59,871 MN
Average yield accepted	: 4.26 PCT
Highest yield accepted	: 4.33 PCT
Pro rata ratio*	: About 92 PCT
Average tender yield	: 4.47 PCT

Tender date	: May 30, 2023
Paper on offer	: EF Bills
Issue number	: H2351
Issue date	: May 31, 2023
Maturity date	: November 29, 2023
Amount applied	: HK\$54,050 MN
Amount allotted	: HK\$15,000 MN

Average yield accepted : 4.27 PCT
Highest yield accepted : 4.30 PCT
Pro rata ratio* : About 30 PCT
Average tender yield : 4.37 PCT

*"Pro rata ratio" refers to the average percentage of allotment with respect to each tender participant's tendered amount at the "highest yield accepted" level.

Hong Kong Monetary Authority tenders to be held in the week beginning June 5, 2023:

Tender date : June 6, 2023
Paper on offer : EF Bills
Issue number : Q2323
Issue date : June 7, 2023
Maturity date : September 6, 2023
Tenor : 91 Days
Amount on offer : HK\$58,964 MN

Tender date : June 6, 2023
Paper on offer : EF Bills
Issue number : H2352
Issue date : June 7, 2023
Maturity date : December 6, 2023
Tenor : 182 Days
Amount on offer : HK\$11,000 MN

Tender date : June 6, 2023
Paper on offer : EF Bills
Issue number : Y2390
Issue date : June 7, 2023
Maturity date : June 5, 2024
Tenor : 364 Days
Amount on offer : HK\$3,000 MN

[Appointments to Advisory Committee on](#)

Agriculture and Fisheries

The Government announced today (May 30) that the Secretary for Environment and Ecology has appointed the new term of membership of the Advisory Committee on Agriculture and Fisheries (ACAF), including two new members recruited under the Member Self-recommendation Scheme for Youth (MSSY). The appointments are for a term of two years from June 1, 2023, to May 31, 2025.

The ACAF is a non-statutory body that advises the Government on matters pertaining to the sustainable development of agriculture and fisheries in Hong Kong.

"We believe the ACAF will continue to provide the Government with constructive views on the promotion of the sustainable development of the agriculture and fisheries sector, so that the sector would continue to bring socio-economic benefits to Hong Kong," a spokesman of the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department said.

The membership of the ACAF is as follows:

Chairman

Mr Anthony Lam Sai-ho

Members

Dr Chan Yuk-wah

Ms Cheuk Fung-ting

Ms Katie Chick Hiu-lai

Mr Chu Kam-ming

Dr Hazel Chung Chi-yin

Mr Chung Ka-yau

Mr Fung Kin-chung

Ms Lau Kam-fung

Dr Lau Kin-wai

Mr John Lau Hon-kit

Mr Noah Law Yiu-wing#

Ms Lee Man-sa#

Mr Leung Kin-lok

Mr Leung Ming-kin

Mr Li Kwok-ying

Mr Ling Man-sum

Ms Merlinda Ng Man-ling

Mr Poon Cheuk-man

Dr Yan Wa-tat

Legislative Council Member representing the Agriculture and Fisheries Constituency (Ex-officio Member)

Representative of the Environment and Ecology Bureau

Representative of the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department

#New members recruited under the MSSY

HKMC's pilot infrastructure loan-backed securities issuance

The following is issued on behalf of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority:

The Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation Limited (HKMC) announced today (May 30) the successful completion of its first issuance of infrastructure loan-backed securities under its pilot scheme on infrastructure financing securitisation. This is executed through a special purpose vehicle (SPV), Bauhinia ILBS 1 Limited (Bauhinia 1). As a policy measure in the 2022-23 Budget, the successful issuance of Bauhinia 1 marks an important step taken by the HKMC towards developing an infrastructure financing securitisation platform in Hong Kong.

The Financial Secretary, Mr Paul Chan, said, "The issuance of Bauhinia 1 will enable the local infrastructure financing market to become more vibrant and diversified, and also facilitate the inflow of market capital to high quality infrastructure projects. This will enable the development of the infrastructure financing hub in Hong Kong, and propel Hong Kong to become the premier overseas financing platform under the national Belt and Road Initiative."

Bauhinia 1 has a portfolio of 35 project and infrastructure loans in 25 individual projects spreading across 12 countries and 9 sectors, with a total value of approximately US\$404.8 million. Bauhinia 1 offers institutional investors exposure to a diversified portfolio of project finance, infrastructure and corporate loans across multiple geographies and sectors.

Following a two-week roadshow, Bauhinia 1 has garnered strong interests from investors with diversified background including multilateral, local and international financial institutions, insurance companies, asset managers and others. In total, five classes of notes are issued (Class A1-SU, Class A1, Class B, Class C and Class D), all of which are investment grade rated, with aggregate principal of US\$ 364.4 million. The issued notes are listed on The Hong Kong Stock Exchange. The HKMC acts as the sponsor, collateral manager and risk retention holder of the transaction.

Within the capital structure of Bauhinia 1, there is an US\$100 million sustainability tranche (Class A1-SU) backed by sustainable, green and social assets. Class A1-SU is issued in accordance with the HKMC's Social, Green and Sustainability Financing Framework, which aligns with the Green Bond Principles, Social Bond Principles and Sustainability Bond Guidelines released by the International Capital Market Association. It demonstrates the HKMC's commitment to green and sustainable development.

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) participated in this issuance as an anchor investor, as a way to fulfil its strategic priority to

mobilise private capital into the infrastructure sector.

"The debut issuance of Bauhinia 1 is an important milestone that will contribute to the deepening of the infrastructure securitisation market in Asia. It continues our aim to support our clients by delivering innovative solutions to attract private capital into emerging market infrastructure," said the AIIB's Vice President for Investment Operations (Region 2), Mr Konstantin Limitovsky, "AIIB looks forward to continuing our cooperation with the HKMC to support the further issuances under the infrastructure securitisation platform along Paris-aligned and net zero development pathway."

ING Bank, MUFG Securities Asia Limited and Standard Chartered Bank are the Joint Global Coordinators, Joint Lead Managers and Joint Bookrunners of the offering. Fubon Bank (Hong Kong) Limited is the Co-Manager of the offering.