

Temporary closure of LCSD facilities until February 17

To tie in with the response level under the "Preparedness and Response Plan for Novel Infectious Disease of Public Health Significance" being raised to the Emergency Response Level and to encourage people to avoid gathering, the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) announced today (February 1) that the following cultural and leisure facilities will continue to be temporarily closed until February 17 (Monday). Recreational, sports and cultural programmes held at these venues during the same period will also be cancelled.

Land sports facilities and aquatic facilities temporarily closed include all sports centres, sports grounds, grass pitches, artificial turf soccer pitches, tennis courts, squash courts, bowling greens, golf facilities, public swimming pools, beaches, Tuen Mun Recreation and Sports Centre, water sports centres and holiday camps. Cultural facilities include all museums, performance venues, public libraries and their study rooms, mobile libraries, and music centres of the Music Office.

During the temporary closure period, URB-TIX will maintain internet and mobile app ticketing and hotline services. Public libraries will continue to provide online services such as e-Books and e-Databases. Non-fee charging land-based leisure facilities including parks, playgrounds, outdoor hard-surface pitches, skateboard grounds, skateparks, roller skating rinks and cycling grounds will maintain services.

The LCSD will monitor the situation closely and review the arrangements in a timely manner. Refund arrangements will be announced later.