## AFCD to provide basic and limited public services and close public facilities starting next week

In the light of special work arrangements for government departments and the latest development of the COVID-19 epidemic, the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department (AFCD) announced today (August 28) that starting from Monday (August 31), licensing services and reception counters at Cheung Sha Wan Government Offices and the Marine Parks Office at CDW Building, 388 Castle Peak Road, Tsuen Wan, will provide basic and limited public services to members of the public on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, from 9.30am to noon and 2pm to 5pm, until further notice.

The AFCD appeals to the public to use the above counter services only when in urgent need. Members of the public are encouraged to handle their licence or permit applications through email, post or fax. Relevant documents can also be put in the drop-in box at the ground floor of Cheung Sha Wan Government Offices. For detailed information and contacts, please refer to the AFCD website: <a href="https://www.afcd.gov.hk">www.afcd.gov.hk</a>.

Moreover, the anti-rabies dog inoculation and dog licensing services at the Animal Management Centres under the AFCD, except the New Territories South Animal Management Centre which has been launched as another quarantine facility for pet animals related to COVID-19 cases, will be provided on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, from 9.30am to noon and 2pm to 4.30pm, whereas all other anti-rabies dog inoculation and licensing centres will remain closed until further notice. For details, please visit the designated website: <a href="https://www.pets.gov.hk">www.pets.gov.hk</a>.

Meanwhile, AFCD public facilities, including the Hong Kong Wetland Park, eight Country Park Visitor/Education Centres, seven Hong Kong GeoparkPark Visitor Centres, the Endangered Species Resources Centre and all country park barbecue sites and campsites will remain closed. School and public programmes will remain suspended until further notice.

For enquiries, please call the AFCD on 2708 8885.