

HAD to open temporary night heat shelters

The Home Affairs Department will open 19 temporary night heat shelters tonight (August 5) for people in need of the service.

The shelters will be open from 10.30pm until 8am tomorrow.

For further information, please call the department's hotline before midnight on 2835 1473.

The 19 night heat shelters are located at:

Hong Kong Districts:

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 –
Lei Tung Community Hall
Lei Tung Estate, Ap Lei Chau

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 –
Butterfly Bay Community Centre
Butterfly Estate (near Tip Sum House), 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

The temporary night heat shelters will resume their functions as either community centres or community halls in the daytime for hire by the local community and cannot continue to be open as heat shelters. People may choose to take refuge from the heat during the daytime in the common areas in any of the 20 designated community centres or community halls. Their opening hours are from 9am to 10pm. For addresses of the community centres or community halls, please browse the following webpage:
www.had.gov.hk/file_manager/en/documents/public_services/emergency_services/List_CH_CC_Day_E.pdf.

Clarification on Director of Immigration's leave of absence

Regarding an online rumour that the Director of Immigration, Mr Erick Tsang, will go on strike by taking leave today (August 5), the Immigration Department (ImmD) would like to clarify that Mr Tsang was admitted to hospital for medical treatment last week and resumed duty this morning after being discharged from hospital yesterday (August 4). Therefore, it is merely a rumour which is totally unfounded.

The ImmD would like to reiterate that amid this difficult time, all colleagues of the department will continue to stand fast at the posts, and will give unwavering support to the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government in effectively administering Hong Kong in accordance with the law and strive to provide the public with services of the best quality.

Beat Drugs Fund invites applications for 2019 Funding Exercise of Regular Funding Scheme

The following is issued on behalf of the Secretariat of the Beat Drugs Fund Association:

The Beat Drugs Fund (BDF) is inviting applications for the 2019 Funding

Exercise of the Regular Funding Scheme (RFS) from today (August 5) until September 16.

The BDF RFS aims to promote worthwhile anti-drug projects that can help address the problem of drug abuse. For the 2019 Funding Exercise of the RFS, projects meeting one or more of the priority areas (at Annex) for treatment and rehabilitation, preventive education and publicity, and research will be accorded priority.

The application form and guide to applicants are available on the website of the Narcotics Division (www.nd.gov.hk/en/beat_drug_fund_2019.htm). Briefing sessions for interested applicants will be held on August 19 and 20 at the Hong Kong Jockey Club Drug InfoCentre. The enrolment form for the briefing sessions is also available from the same website.

Enquiries are welcome by telephone at 2867 2737 or 2867 2286; by fax on 2810 1790; or via email to bdf@sb.gov.hk.

The results of applications for the 2019 Funding Exercise are expected to be released in the first quarter of 2020. Applications for the next round of the funding exercise will tentatively be invited in the third quarter of 2020.

Manager of unlicensed guesthouse fined

A woman was fined \$8,000 at the Kwun Tong Magistrates' Courts today (August 5) for contravening the Hotel and Guesthouse Accommodation Ordinance.

The courts heard that in January this year, officers of the Office of the Licensing Authority (OLA), the Home Affairs Department, inspected a suspected unlicensed guesthouse on Lohas Park Road in Tseung Kwan O. During the inspection, the OLA officers posed as lodgers and successfully rented a room in the guesthouse on a daily basis.

According to the OLA's record, the guesthouse did not possess a licence under the Ordinance on the day of inspection. The woman responsible for managing the premises was charged with contravening section 5(1) of the Ordinance.

A department spokesman stressed that operating or managing an unlicensed guesthouse is a criminal offence and can lead to a criminal record. Upon conviction, the offender is liable to a maximum fine of \$200,000 and two years' imprisonment.

The spokesman appealed to anyone with information about suspected unlicensed guesthouses to make a report to the OLA through the hotline (tel:

2881 7498), by email (hadlaenq@had.gov.hk), by fax (2504 5805) using the report form downloaded from the OLA website (www.hadla.gov.hk), or through the mobile application "Hong Kong Licensed Hotels and Guesthouses".

Public services in LandsD's offices in Tuen Mun and Sha Tin Government Offices suspended

The Lands Department (LandsD) announced today (August 5) that due to blockage of public access to the Tuen Mun Government Offices (TMGO) and Sha Tin Government Offices (STGO), public services including map sales and enquiry services in the Tuen Mun District Lands Office and the District Survey Office in the TMGO and the Sha Tin District Lands Office and the District Survey Office in the STGO will be suspended with immediate effect.