

Temporary suspension of Mobile Library 2, 7, 8, 9 and 12 services

Mobile Libraries 2, 7, 8, 9 and 12 will suspend services during designated periods in June for routine maintenance, a spokesman for the Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (May 28).

Mobile Library 8 will suspend services from June 4 to 14. The affected service points are Hiu Lai Court and Po Tat Estate in Sau Mau Ping, Tai Hang Tung Estate on Tai Hang Tung Road, Laguna Verde in Hung Hom, Laguna City in Lam Tin and Yau Lai Estate in Yau Tong. For enquiries about Mobile Library 8 services, please call 2926 3055.

Mobile Library 2 will suspend services from June 10 to 22. The affected service points are Ta Kwu Ling in North District; Shuen Wan in Tai Po; Tsui Ping Estate in Kwun Tong; Fortune Estate and Maple Street in Sham Shui Po; Sheung Tak Estate, Hau Tak Estate and Po Lam Estate in Tseung Kwan O; and Lee On Estate, Sui Wo Court, Yiu On Estate, Mei Lam Estate and Saddle Ridge Garden in Sha Tin. For enquiries about Mobile Library 2 services, please call 2605 1071.

Mobile Library 9 will suspend services from June 17 to 29. The affected service points are South Horizons in Ap Lei Chau, Kut Shing Street and Heng Fa Chuen in Chai Wan, Sheung Wan Cultural Square, Tin Wan Estate in Aberdeen, Oi Tung Estate in Aldrich Bay and Tai Hong Street in Lei King Wan. For enquiries about Mobile Library 9 services, please call 2505 4690.

Mobile Library 7 will suspend services from June 19 to 28. The affected service points are Sceneway Garden in Lam Tin, Hoi Fu Court in Mong Kok West, Chuk Yuen (South) Estate and Fung Tak Estate in Wong Tai Sin and Kai Yip Estate in Kowloon Bay. For enquiries about Mobile Library 7 services, please call 2926 3056.

Mobile Library 12 will suspend services from June 24 to 29. The affected service points are Cheong Shing Court in Fanling; Kwong Fuk Estate in Tai Po; Lei Muk Shue Estate, Tsuen King Circuit Playground and Cheung Shan Estate in Tsuen Wan; Kwai Luen Estate in Kwai Chung; and Fu Cheong Estate in Sham Shui Po. For enquiries about Mobile Library 12 services, please call 2479 1055.

Readers are welcome to use other public libraries during the service suspension periods. They may also renew library materials by telephoning 2698 0002 or 2827 2833, or via www.hkpl.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 28, 2019
Paper on offer : EF Bills
Issue number : Q1922
Issue date : May 29, 2019
Maturity date : August 28, 2019
Amount applied : HK\$104,600 MN
Amount allotted : HK\$44,614 MN
Average yield accepted : 1.88 PCT
Highest yield accepted : 1.95 PCT
Pro rata ratio : About 5 PCT
Average tender yield : 1.97 PCT

Tender date : May 28, 2019
Paper on offer : EF Bills
Issue number : H1951
Issue date : May 29, 2019
Maturity date : November 27, 2019
Amount applied : HK\$43,150 MN
Amount allotted : HK\$15,000 MN
Average yield accepted : 1.94 PCT
Highest yield accepted : 1.97 PCT
Pro rata ratio : About 94 PCT
Average tender yield : 2.05 PCT

Hong Kong Monetary Authority tenders to be held in the week beginning June 3, 2019:

Tender date : June 4, 2019
Paper on offer : EF Bills
Issue number : Q1923
Issue date : June 5, 2019
Maturity date : September 4, 2019
Tenor : 91 Days
Amount on offer : HK\$49,955 MN

Tender date : June 4, 2019
Paper on offer : EF Bills
Issue number : H1952
Issue date : June 5, 2019
Maturity date : December 4, 2019
Tenor : 182 Days
Amount on offer : HK\$15,000 MN

Tender date : June 6, 2019
Paper on offer : EF Bills
Issue number : M1902
Issue date : June 10, 2019
Maturity date : July 3, 2019
Tenor : 23 Days
Amount on offer : HK\$800 MN

[Recycling site in Yuen Long convicted again for illegal storage of hazardous electronic waste](#)

A recycling site in Shek Wu Wai, Yuen Long, was once again found illegally storing hazardous electronic waste (e-waste). The operator, Leung Kee Recycle Limited, and the person-in-charge of the recycling site were convicted and fined a total of \$29,500 at the Fanling Magistrates' Courts today (May 28) for contravening the Waste Disposal Ordinance and the Waste Disposal (Chemical Waste) (General) Regulation. The company was convicted for illegal storage and import of hazardous e-waste in March last year and February this year and was fined a total of \$91,000.

A spokesman for the Environmental Protection Department (EPD) said that during a blitz operation in November last year, EPD enforcement officers successfully raided a recycling site in Shek Wu Wai, Yuen Long, and found that around 120 waste LCD monitors, which are classified as chemical waste, with an estimated export market value of approximately \$20,000 were illegally stored at an open space in the site. The EPD initiated prosecutions against the operating company and the person-in-charge of the recycling site under the Waste Disposal (Chemical Waste) (General) Regulation after gathering evidence. Lately, EPD enforcement officers conducted another inspection of the site and noticed that no waste LCD monitors or other chemical waste were stored at the site. The EPD believes that a series of enforcement actions taken by the department has strengthened the deterrent effect.

The spokesman stressed that dismantled waste printed circuit boards, LCD

monitors and cathode ray tubes are hazardous e-waste, containing heavy metals and other toxic substances. They are classified as chemical waste. Chemical waste is hazardous by nature and, if not properly handled and transported, will pollute the environment as well as pose a risk to the health of relevant trade practitioners and the general public. The EPD will continue to strictly combat the illegal collection, storage, handling and import of hazardous e-waste by recycling sites. The spokesman reminded operating companies and persons-in-charge of recycling sites that offenders would be liable to a maximum fine of \$200,000 and six months' imprisonment for the first conviction. For subsequent offences, offenders are liable to a maximum fine of \$500,000 and two years' imprisonment.

For more information about the control of chemical waste, please visit the EPD's website:

www.epd.gov.hk/epd/english/environmentinhk/waste/guide_ref/guide_cwc.html.

Lifesaving services at Cafeteria Old Beach resume

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 has announced that the lifesaving services at Cafeteria Old Beach in Tuen Mun District resumed today (May 28). The lifesaving services at the beach were suspended earlier due to an insufficient number of lifeguards on duty.

Transcript of remarks by CE at media session before ExCo meeting (with video)

Following is the transcript of remarks by the Chief Executive, Mrs Carrie Lam, at a media session before the Executive Council meeting this morning (May 28):

Reporter: Mrs Lam, you've faced accusations about lying about whether China was originally purposefully excluded from extradition laws. Former officials Anson Chan and Chris Patten have said that they were. Would you now retract your claim? And secondly, many Hongkongers are remembering the Tiananmen massacre victims this week, ahead of the 30th anniversary of the crackdown. Would you express any criticism of Beijing's actions in 1989?

Chief Executive: On the first question, what I told members of the Legislative Council and the Hong Kong community was based on what was recorded in official documents, including official documents of the Legislative Council, or what we called the Hansard. Those are very authoritative official documents. At that time – 1996 and 1997 – I was a middle-rank official, so I was not involved first-hand in this particular bill going through the Legislative Council. Myself and my colleagues could only refer to the official documents on both sides – on the part of the Government, why we put forward in those days, the Fugitive Offenders Ordinance; in the official records of the Legislative Council deliberations and the official record of the debate in the Legislative Council on what each member said in the debate. Actually, in those days, there weren't many members speaking on this bill. What the other persons that you have quoted said was not based on those records. If they have insider information, perhaps it is for them to prove that their insider information is something that we should know. But up till now, I think another month has lapsed, we have not seen the documentation or the substantiation of that insider information.

As far as the second question, Hong Kong is a free society. As the Chief Executive of Hong Kong, I safeguard and uphold the freedom of speech, freedom of expression, freedom of gathering, so we respect whoever in Hong Kong wants to express whatever views on the subject matter. Thank you very much.

(Please also refer to the Chinese portion of the transcript.)