

Manager of unlicensed guesthouse fined

A woman was fined \$6,000 at the Eastern Magistrates' Courts today (August 21) 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 Des Voeux Road West in Sai Ying Pun. 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 will 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 report it 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".

Police appeal for information on fatal traffic accident in Wong Tai Sin

Police today (August 21) appealed to the public for information on a fatal traffic accident in Wong Tai Sin on August 14 in which an 86-year-old woman died.

At about 4.45pm that day, a private car driven by a 59-year-old man was travelling along Shung Wah Street eastbound. When turning right to Po Kong Village Road, it reportedly knocked down the 86-year-old woman who was crossing the road.

Sustaining injuries to her lower body, the female pedestrian was rushed to Queen Elizabeth Hospital in conscious state, and was certified dead at 1.22pm on August 19.

Investigation by the Special Investigation Team of Traffic, Kowloon East is underway.

Anyone who witnessed the accident or has any information to offer is urged to contact the investigating officers on 2305 7582 or 2305 7606.

Tender amounts submitted for site in Fanling

The Lands Department announced today (August 21) that in respect of the tender for the site Fanling Sheung Shui Town Lot No. 267 at On Chuen Street, On Lok Tsuen, Fanling, New Territories, which was awarded on July 25 to the successful tenderer, Macro Topper Limited (parent company: Billion Real Estate Holdings Limited), on a 50-year land grant at a premium of \$732.9 million, the tender amounts submitted by the unsuccessful tenderers in descending order are published on an anonymous basis as follows:

- (1) \$614,000,000
- (2) \$575,000,000
- (3) \$518,000,000
- (4) \$508,000,000
- (5) \$360,000,000
- (6) \$122,000,000

The information disclosed in this press release is for information only.

Temporary traffic arrangements for tram track maintenance works in Western District from next Monday

The Transport Department (TD) today (August 21) reminded the public that to facilitate tram track maintenance works at Des Voeux Road West, parts of the fast lane of Des Voeux Road West westbound near Kwan Yick Building Phase I will be temporarily closed from about 10am next Monday (August 27) to 6pm next Saturday (September 1).

Appropriate traffic signs will be erected on-site to guide motorists.

The TD anticipates that traffic in the vicinity of the above road section will be relatively busy. Motorists should exercise tolerance and patience in case of traffic congestion. Members of the public are advised to stay alert to the latest traffic news through the media or the department's website (www.td.gov.hk).

Accident bulletin on Ozone Alpina 3 paraglider released

The investigation team of the Civil Aviation Department (CAD) today (August 21) released Accident Bulletin 4/2018 in relation to the accident involving an Ozone Alpina 3 paraglider that crashed at Sunset Peak, Lantau, on July 22.

A spokesperson for the CAD said that the bulletin contains information relating to the accident as determined up to the time of issue, and must be regarded as tentative.

"The investigation team will continue with the investigation and will conduct more in-depth analysis of the relevant data and information collected in order to determine the circumstances and causes leading to the accident," the spokesperson said.

The full Accident Bulletin 4/2018 is available for download from the CAD webpage (www.cad.gov.hk/english/reports.html).