

Abolition of Sai Yeung Choi Street South pedestrian precinct in Mong Kok

A spokesman for the Transport Department (TD) said today (July 20) that the pedestrian precinct at the following road sections in Mong Kok will be abolished with effect from August 4:

- (a) the section of Sai Yeung Choi Street South between Argyle Street and Shantung Street;
- (b) the section of Sai Yeung Choi Street South between Shantung Street and Dundas Street;
- (c) the section of Nelson Street between Sai Yeung Choi Street South and Fa Yuen Street; and
- (d) the section of Soy Street between Sai Yeung Choi Street South and Fa Yuen Street.

A notice was published in the Gazette today. The TD will arrange the removal of the traffic signs of the prohibited zones concerned and will also adjust traffic light signals to tie in with the re-opening of the roads.

The spokesman said that after the abolition of the Sai Yeung Choi Street South pedestrian precinct in Mong Kok, the TD will continue to monitor the traffic conditions and pedestrian flow of the roads in the vicinity and will appropriately implement traffic control and improvement measures at the road sections concerned when necessary.

Government announces re-appointments to Hong Kong Tourism Board

The Government today (July 20) announced the re-appointments of Mr Victor Chan Kok-wai and Mr James Tong Wai-pong to the Hong Kong Tourism Board (HKTB).

Mr Chan is re-appointed for a term of two years from July 19, 2018, to July 18, 2020, while Mr Tong is re-appointed for a term of two years from August 16, 2018, to August 15, 2020.

"During the past four years, Mr Chan and Mr Tong have provided valuable suggestions on various aspects of the HKTB's work. We are delighted that they have accepted the re-appointments," a spokesman for the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau said.

Appointments to the HKTB are made by the Financial Secretary under section 9 of the Hong Kong Tourism Board Ordinance (Chapter 302), under authority delegated by the Chief Executive.

Hoi Mei Wan Beach temporarily closed

Attention TV/radio announcers:

Please broadcast the following as soon as possible:

Here is an item of interest to swimmers.

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (July 20) that Hoi Mei Wan Beach in Tsuen Wan District is temporarily closed until further notice for maintenance of the shark prevention net. The red flag has been hoisted at the beach. Beach-goers are advised not to swim at the beach.

Appointments to Elderly Commission

The Government today (July 20) announced the re-appointments of Dr Lam Ching-choi as the Chairman and Dr Vivian Lou Wei-qun as a member of the Elderly Commission. The appointments will take effect from July 30, 2018 to July 29, 2020.

Dr Lam is the Chief Executive Officer of Haven of Hope Christian Service and a Non-official Member of the Executive Council. He was appointed as the Chairman of the Elderly Commission in 2016. Dr Lam is dedicated to enhancing elderly welfare and has been actively involved in improving long-term care services for elderly persons.

Dr Lou is the Director of Sau Po Centre on Ageing at The University of Hong Kong. She is currently a member of the Social Work Training Fund Committee.

The Secretary for Labour and Welfare, Dr Law Chi-kwong, welcomed the re-appointments. He said, "Dr Lam and Dr Lou are both well experienced in elderly services. I look forward to continuing to work closely with them on the promotion of the well-being of elderly persons in Hong Kong."

The Elderly Commission was established in 1997. Its main task is to provide advice to the Government in the formulation of a comprehensive policy in caring for elderly persons.

The membership list of the Elderly Commission with effect from July 30, 2018 is as follows:

Chairman

Dr Lam Ching-choi

Non-official members

Ms Maggie Chan Mei-kit
Ms Tammy Chan Yee-ching
Mr Cheung Leong
Mr Chua Hoi-wai
Ms Diana Chung Wai-yee
Mr Victor Lam Hoi-cheung
Professor Diana Lee Tze-fan
Ms Grace Li Fai
Ms Alexandra Lo Dak-wai
Dr Vivian Lou Wei-qun
Dr Pang Fei-chau
Mrs Susan So Chan Wai-hang
Dr Doris Tse Man-wah
Mr Wong Kit-loong
Mr Kenneth Wong Tai-lun
Dr Yeung Ka-ching

Official members

Secretary for Food and Health or representative
Secretary for Labour and Welfare or representative
Secretary for Transport and Housing/Director of Housing or representative
Director of Health or representative
Director of Social Welfare or representative
Chief Executive, Hospital Authority or representative

[Red flags hoisted at some beaches](#)

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The Leisure and Cultural Services Department announced today (July 20) that due to big waves, red flags have been hoisted at Stanley Main Beach, Shek O Beach and Big Wave Bay Beach in Southern District, Hong Kong Island; Upper Cheung Sha Beach in Islands District; Clear Water Bay First Beach in Sai Kung District. Beach-goers are advised not to swim at these beaches.