

Handling fallen trees and other yard waste

The Environmental Protection Department (EPD) said that in light of the typhoon season, the amount of fallen trees and other yard waste generated after typhoons may increase significantly. In addition to delivering fallen trees and other yard waste to landfills, members of the public and the trade can also bring them to yard waste recycling centre Y·PARK's new temporary yard waste collection point, which is located at EcoPark in Tuen Mun.

During the onslaught of Super Typhoon Mangkut in 2018, there were over 60 000 reports of fallen trees, accounting for the highest number on record in Hong Kong. To cope with the large amount of fallen trees generated by typhoons and extreme weather, as well as daily yard waste, the EPD temporarily set up Y·PARK in 2020 at a site in Tsang Tsui, Tuen Mun, which has been reserved for the future expansion of the West New Territories Landfill, for turning yard waste into resources such as wood boards, wood beams, wood chips and more.

Following the commencement of construction of the West New Territories Landfill Extension, the EPD is arranging the relocation of Y·PARK to Lung Kwu Sheung Tan in Tuen Mun, which is expected to be completed by the end of 2024. During the transition period, the EPD has set up a temporary yard waste collection point at EcoPark to maintain yard waste reception and basic recycling service, as well as to manage the surge of fallen trees in emergency situations after events such as typhoons, ensuring that the collected yard waste is properly handled.

The yard waste collection point at EcoPark is located at 133 Lung Mun Road, Area 38, Tuen Mun. The operation hours are from Monday to Saturday, 9am to 6pm (excluding public holidays). For more information, please visit the Y·PARK website (www.ypark.hk) or contact the Y·PARK contractor by calling their hotline at 5743 9221, or by email (info@ypark.hk).