## Hong Kong Police Force Online Applications Platform launched today

Police launched the Hong Kong Police Force Online Applications Platform (<a href="https://www.es.police.gov.hk">https://www.es.police.gov.hk</a>) today (November 27). In the first phase, the platform provides online application services for Closed Area Permits, Road Event Permits, and Location Filming, allowing the public to conveniently submit permit applications, make online payments, and check the progress of applications through a one-stop online platform.

Among the services, applications for Electronic Tourism Closed Area Permit will be open to the public from December 1 to tie in with the second phase of the Sha Tau Kok opening-up plan (starting from January 2024).

Through the new platform, members of the public can apply for various online services by logging in with just one account, saving time spent on queuing and filling out numerous handwritten forms. The platform supports multiple registration and login methods, including email, local mobile phone numbers, iAM Smart, and iAM Smart+, making the process of registering or logging into an account safe, convenient, and fast. In addition, the platform also provides a comprehensive digital service experience. Based on the applicants' registration particulars, the platform automatically fills out most parts of the form, sparing them from repeated data entry. After submitting an application online, applicants can check the latest progress anytime through the platform, and if necessary, supplementary documents can also be uploaded to the platform. If members of the public encounter problems during registration, login, or form filling, please call the 24-hour support hotline 8226 1886 for assistance.

The newly launched online applications platform will put in place the initiative proposed in the Policy Address to fully digitalise all licences, services and forms involving application and approval by mid-2024, and cope with the Electronic Closed Area Permit, Electronic Closed Road Permit and other related measures introduced by Police at the end of this year.

In future, the platform will roll out different electronic services of the Hong Kong Police Force in phases, such as applying for Sexual Conviction Record Check, Certificate of No Criminal Conviction, checking Criminal Conviction Record Data and applying for assistance in conducting academic researches, etc., so as to provide the public with a more convenient service experience.