<u>LCSD Amenities Assistant I</u> <u>preliminarily tests positive for</u> <u>COVID-19</u>

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) today (July 24) said that an Amenities Assistant I has preliminarily tested positive for coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19).

The Amenities Assistant I concerned, stationed at New Territories West Tree Team's Tsuen Wan Depot (Tsuen Wan Depot) at Jockey Club Tak Wah Park, is responsible for tree management works of Tsuen Wan District and Kwai Tsing District. The depot office he works in is not open to the public. He last performed duties on July 17. He felt unwell earlier and sought medical treatment at a clinic, and was notified this morning that he had preliminarily tested positive for COVID-19. He will be admitted to hospital and treated under isolation. He is now in stable condition.

The Assistant concerned has no recent travel history. He has been wearing surgical masks when performing duties. His body temperature was normal when undergoing temperature screening during work.

The LCSD will closely co-operate with the Centre for Health Protection (CHP) on its epidemiological investigations. Co-workers of the Assistant concerned will be arranged to undergo COVID-19 testing. Thorough cleaning and sterilisation will be arranged at areas including the workplace and all public facilities according to guidelines provided by the CHP. The Tsuen Wan Depot is now closed until further notice for thorough cleaning and sterilisation based on public health considerations.

The LCSD is highly concerned about the COVID-19 epidemic and will continue to maintain close liaison with the CHP. Staff are reminded to pay attention to personal hygiene and to stay vigilant. They should seek medical advice immediately if feeling unwell.