

LegCo Panel on Housing concludes duty visit to Zhuhai and Shenzhen (with photos)

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The delegation of Legislative Council (LegCo) Panel on Housing concluded its two-day visit to Zhuhai and Shenzhen today (July 22) and returned to Hong Kong in the evening.

In the morning, the delegation first visited the Guangqiao Yayuan, a public housing project in Shenzhen. Members learnt that the community design of this project is characterised by the efficient utilisation of space and integrated multi-functionality. For example, the central location of Guangqiao Yayuan features a landscaped park with facilities such as jogging trails for recreation and wellness. The community also provides a variety of facilities, including kindergarten, market, shops, and elderly day care centre, comprehensively catering to the needs of the residents.

Members then went to the Phoenix Yinghui Town, the largest scale public housing project built with Modular Integrated Construction (MiC) method in the Mainland. Members realised that the building components of this project are made of recyclable construction materials for effective utilisation of resources. The project also utilises a smart information management platform to optimise the residential management process and leverage technology to ensure the safety of the residents.

The delegation also visited Shenzhen Public Housing Group Company Limited and received a briefing from its representatives on the design and planning of Shenzhen's public rental housing projects, as well as the application of technologies to enhance construction efficiency.

After having lunch with the representatives of the Housing and Construction Bureau of Shenzhen Municipality at noon, the delegation had in-depth exchanges with them on the policies, planning and management, the application of MiC method and the incorporation of "Well-being" design elements in public housing projects between the two places. Both parties found the discussions highly inspiring and fruitful.

Members visited the Double-line Park in Bao'an Central District in the afternoon. The Double-line Park is Shenzhen's first public space that integrates multiple urban functions, including transportation, natural ecology, digital technology, culture and art, recreation, and social activities, catering the diverse needs of the community.

In summarising the two-day duty visit, the delegation leader, Mr Stanley Ng, described the visit as a great success. Mr Ng said, "Through on-site

visit to the factory manufacturing MiC modules, Members gained a deeper understanding of the MiC method. The planning of large-scale public housing projects and community facilities in Zhuhai and Shenzhen can serve as a valuable reference for Hong Kong, which will facilitate Members' future discussion with the Government on how to create a living environment with a greater sense of well-being for public housing residents in Hong Kong."

The delegation, consisting of 16 LegCo Members, visited Zhuhai and Shenzhen from July 21 to 22. The delegation was led by the Chairman of the LegCo Panel on Housing, Mr Stanley Ng, and Deputy Chairman of the Panel cum deputy leader, Mr Vincent Cheng. The Housing Bureau's delegation led by the Secretary for Housing, Ms Winnie Ho, also joined the duty visit.

