

LegCo Panel on Welfare Services concludes duty visit to Mainland cities of the Greater Bay Area (with photos)

The following is issued on behalf of the Legislative Council Secretariat:

The delegation of the Legislative Council (LegCo) Panel on Welfare Services and the delegation of the Labour and Welfare Bureau concluded the duty visit to Mainland cities of the Greater Bay Area (GBA) today (August 31). With Super Typhoon Saola edging closer to Hong Kong, the delegations returned early to Hong Kong in the afternoon after completing the itinerary in Guangzhou and Foshan.

In the morning, the delegations visited Yuexiu Haiyuehui in Baiyun District of Guangzhou, which is a health and wellness project for the elderly operated in a public-private partnership mode. It commenced service in May this year, with 155 regular beds and 30 day care beds, providing 24-hour health care services to the elderly. Members learnt that there are designated social workers who design social and recreational activities for the elderly to enrich their lives.

The delegations then travelled from Guangzhou to Foshan and visited Shanqi Nursing Home in Shunde District. Shanqi Nursing Home commenced its services in 2017 and currently offers 870 beds, along with various service centres for rehabilitation, memory care, palliative care, etc.

In summing up the duty visit, the delegation leader, Mr Tang Ka-piu, described the visit as fruitful. "Through visiting the elderly and rehabilitation services in Mainland cities of GBA, as well as meeting with local government representatives and service providers, it helps us leverage the advantages of GBA to enhance collaboration and expand the scope as well as capacity of elderly and rehabilitation services, with a view to providing Hong Kong elderly people with more high-quality options on retiring in the Mainland to meet their needs," Mr Tang said.

