

## LegCo Subcommittee on Issues Relating to the Improvement of Environmental Hygiene and Cityscape visits refuse collection and rodent surveillance facilities in Yuen Long (with photos)

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

The Legislative Council (LegCo) Subcommittee on Issues Relating to the Improvement of Environmental Hygiene and Cityscape conducted a visit to Yuen Long today (April 26) to better understand specific refuse collection and rodent surveillance facilities of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (FEHD).

Accompanied by officials from the FEHD, including the Deputy Director (Environmental Hygiene) of the FEHD, Miss Diane Wong, Members first visited a back alley of Castle Peak Road – Yuen Long Section to observe the deployment of the thermal camera monitoring system for rodent surveillance. Members noted that the thermal camera monitoring system consists of thermal imaging cameras with artificial intelligence analytic function to record rodent activities and their extent, so as to assist the FEHD's deployment of rodent control work.

Members then visited Nam Pin Wai in Yuen Long to observe the operation of the solar-powered aluminium refuse collection point and solar-powered mobile refuse compactor. Members learnt that each refuse compactor has a refuse handling capacity of four tonnes. The compactor's enclosed design can alleviate rodent infestation and pest problems. Members also took the opportunity to exchange views with officials from the FEHD on the prevention and control of rodent and pest infestation.

Members who participated in the visit were the Chairman of the Subcommittee, Mr Chan Han-pan; Subcommittee members Mr Steven Ho and Ms Elizabeth Quat; as well as non-Subcommittee member Mr Leung Che-cheung.

