

S for IT solicits catering businesses to support "LeaveHomeSafe" mobile app (with photo)

The Secretary for Innovation and Technology, Mr Alfred Sit, today (November 20) attended a briefing session for representatives from catering businesses to solicit their support for the "LeaveHomeSafe" mobile app and fight the virus together.

Legislative Council member, Mr Tommy Cheung, and representatives of several catering chains also attended the briefing.

Mr Sit said that the "LeaveHomeSafe" mobile app enables users to keep a more precise record of their whereabouts under the new normal, and fight the virus with the aid of technology. Users with risk of exposure to the virus will be notified by the mobile app to enhance their vigilance. If people with exposure risk undergo COVID-19 testing early, the objective of "early identification, early isolation and early treatment" can then be achieved. It will make contact tracing more efficient and minimise the risk of further transmission of the virus, which in turn helps save both livelihoods and the economy.

"Anti-epidemic work is a shared responsibility and everyone has a role to play. We need active participation and co-operation from members of the public and various sectors. I appeal to more catering businesses to join the scheme, display QR codes and posters at prominent positions and make it easy for members of the public to use the 'LeaveHomeSafe' mobile app. It will help drive the message across and make the scheme more effective," he said.

Venue QR code registration function is now available on the "LeaveHomeSafe" website. Venue operators are welcome to apply via the "LeaveHomeSafe" website (www.leavehomesafe.gov.hk/registration/) or contact the Office of the Government Chief Information Officer direct (designated email address: leavehomesafe@ogcio.gov.hk).

There are currently nearly 12 000 public and private venues participating in the scheme. Among them, about 7 000 are public venues while nearly 5 000 are private venues. The "LeaveHomeSafe" mobile app can be used directly in over 18 000 taxis.

