

SHA visits Sham Shui Po District

The Secretary for Home Affairs, Mr Lau Kong-wah, visited Sham Shui Po District today (June 22) to officiate at the opening ceremony of a project completed under the district's Signature Project Scheme. He also inspected leisure works projects and called at an art design college and the Music Children Foundation in the district, and met with Sham Shui Po District Council (SSPDC) members.

Accompanied by the Chairman of the SSPDC, Mr Ambrose Cheung; the Vice Chairman of the SSPDC, Mr Chan Wai-ming; and the District Officer (Sham Shui Po), Mr Damian Lee, Mr Lau first inspected the sites of two proposed construction works, including the Lai Chi Kok Sports Centre, as well as a covering over the walkway near Lai Chi Kok Park. He then met with SSPDC members to exchange views on district issues.

Mr Lau then officiated at the opening ceremony of the Sham Shui Po District Council Yan Oi Tong Mei Foo Neighbourhood Activity Centre and toured its facilities, including a dance room, a multi-purpose activity room and a piano room. Speaking at the opening ceremony, Mr Lau said the centre is one of the projects under the Signature Project Scheme in Sham Shui Po district. As the partnering organisation of the project, Yan Oi Tong provides diversified leisure, culture and art activities to local residents.

Mr Lau also visited the Savannah College of Art and Design Hong Kong. He toured the facilities on the campus and met with students. The college was opened in September 2010 through the revitalisation and conversion of the former North Kowloon Magistracy. It is the only college in Hong Kong that focuses on teaching arts and design, and offers bachelors and masters programmes.

Before concluding the visit, Mr Lau visited the Music Children Foundation to watch a choir rehearsal and meet with volunteers and children. He also learnt about the support for grass-roots children provided by the Foundation. Founded in 2013, the Music Children Foundation aims to provide free music training for children from grass-roots families.