

# Youth Development Commission convenes 14th meeting

â€‹The Chief Secretary for Administration, Mr Chan Kwok-ki, chaired the 14th meeting of the Youth Development Commission (YDC) today (November 2).

At the meeting, members were briefed by government representatives on initiatives relating to youth development in "The Chief Executive's 2023 Policy Address". Members were pleased to note that the Policy Address has emphasised that the Government will sustain its efforts in promoting youth development and proposed a series of policy measures to broaden young people's horizons, encourage and support youth innovation and entrepreneurship, and strengthen youth engagement so as to nurture a new generation of young people with an affection for the country and Hong Kong, and are equipped with a global perspective and positive thinking.

The Government will continue to push forward the implementation of more than 160 specific actions and measures stated in the Youth Development Blueprint. It also plans to organise the Youth Development Summit in mid-2024 as the opening and highlight of the next Youth Festival, and invite participation of guest speakers and youth groups from the Mainland and overseas. Furthermore, the Home and Youth Affairs Bureau launched the youth network, namely Youth Link, in September this year. It will study the possibility of utilising suitable facilities to provide Youth Link participants with a platform for constant interaction so as to strengthen youth engagement.

Mr Chan said, "Young people are the future, hope and pillars of Hong Kong. The Government will continue to work closely with the YDC and give full play to the YDC's co-ordination role so as to draw the community together to attach importance to youth development. We will strive to effectively implement the various youth development measures stated in the Policy Address and the Youth Development Blueprint, and set the stage for our younger generation to build their future."