Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2013-14

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION

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<u>Head:</u> 49 Food and Environmental Hygiene <u>Subhead (No. & title):</u>

Department

<u>Programme:</u> (2) Environmental Hygiene and Related Services

Controlling Officer: Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene

<u>Director of Bureau:</u> Secretary for Food and Health

Question:

Please give a breakdown of the number of Fixed Penalty Notices issued against littering by District Council district in the past five years (i.e. in 2008-09, 2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13), and advise whether the Department will allocate resources to enhance public education on and promotion of the work of keeping Hong Kong clean in 2013-14; if yes, please give the work plan and estimated expenditure to be involved; if not, the reason(s).

Asked by: Hon. CHAN Ka-lok, Kenneth

Reply:

The information sought is provided as follows –

District	Number of Fixed Penalty Notice issued against littering by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (the Department)					
	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13 (up to 31.1.2013)	
Central & Western	1 785	2 170	2 206	2 830	2 245	
Eastern	1 602	1 527	1 197	1 185	1 100	
Southern	691	610	357	329	346	
Wan Chai	5 494	5 264	4 068	3 317	2 526	
Islands	715	719	510	499	553	
Kowloon City	902	933	1 073	1 108	1 058	
Kwun Tong	1 898	1 412	1 940	1 761	1 367	
Wong Tai Sin	957	993	808	910	610	
Sham Shui Po	1 126	850	1 341	1 152	1 021	

District	Number of Fixed Penalty Notice issued against littering by the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (the Department)					
	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13 (up to 31.1.2013)	
Yau Tsim Mong	4 144	4 312	4 612	5 802	5 309	
Sai Kung	757	770	779	764	748	
Sha Tin	1 369	1 564	1 793	1 873	1 673	
Tai Po	963	863	861	927	844	
North	1 848	1 624	1 316	1 431	1 265	
Kwai Tsing	963	943	1 389	1 687	1 793	
Tsuen Wan	2 059	1 820	1 508	1 130	850	
Tuen Mun	1 264	1 319	1 221	1 288	1 124	
Yuen Long	2 353	2 350	2 803	2 772	2 124	
Total	30 890	30 043	29 782	30 765	26 556	

The Department plans to organise 1 200 school talks, 20 outreaching programmes for schools, and 1 385 seminars for the general public on health education concerning both environmental hygiene and food safety in 2013. Keeping Hong Kong clean will remain a key theme in our promotion activities. The expenditure will be absorbed within the budget of \$24.8 million which the Department has reserved for public education and community involvement in 2013-14.

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