Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2015-16

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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<u>Programme</u>: (3) Market Management and Hawker Control

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Question:

Please set out in tabular form the number of fixed pitch hawkers and vacant pitches, as well as the vacancy rate of fixed pitches, in each of the 18 districts in 2012, 2013 and 2014 respectively.

Asked by: Hon CHEUNG Yu-yan, Tommy (Member Question No. 7)

Reply:

The information sought is provided at Annex.

Vacancy Rate of On-street Hawker Fixed Pitches (other than Cooked Food Hawkers)

District	2012 (as at 31.12.2012)			2013 (as at 31.12.2013)			2014 (as at 31.12.2014)		
	No. of Fixed Pitches	No. of Vacant Pitches*	Vacancy Rate	No. of Fixed Pitches	No. of Vacant Pitches*	Vacancy Rate	No. of Fixed Pitches	No. of Vacant Pitches*	Vacancy Rate
	(a)	(b)	((b)/(a)+(b))	(a)	(b)	((b)/(a)+(b))	(a)	(b)	((b)/(a)+(b))
Central & Western	651	0	0%	622	0	0%	602	19	3.1%
Eastern	464	0	0%	420	0	0%	396	45	10.2%
Southern	32	0	0%	31	0	0%	30	0	0%
Wan Chai	460	0	0%	451	0	0%	439	11	2.4%
Islands	1	0	0%	1	0	0%	1	0	0%
Yau Tsim Mong	2 531	0	0%	2 413	0	0%	2 326	128	5.2%
Sham Shui Po	1 096	0	0%	1 059	0	0%	1 032	42	3.9%
Kowloon City	120	0	0%	110	0	0%	107	1	0.9%
Wong Tai Sin	18	0	0%	18	0	0%	16	0	0%
Kwun Tong	79	0	0%	68	0	0%	65	0	0%
Kwai Tsing	16	0	0%	14	0	0%	14	0	0%
Tsuen Wan	21	0	0%	20	0	0%	20	0	0%
Tuen Mun	8	0	0%	8	0	0%	8	0	0%
Yuen Long	19	0	0%	18	0	0%	17	0	0%
North	8	0	0%	7	0	0%	7	0	0%
Tai Po	7	0	0%	7	0	0%	7	0	0%
Sha Tin	3	0	0%	2	0	0%	1	0	0%
Sai Kung	3	0	0%	3	0	0%	3	0	0%
Total	5 537	0	0%	5 272	0	0%	5 091	246	4.6%

Remarks: * The figure represents the number of pitches vacated as a result of voluntary surrender of hawker licences under the Hawker Assistance Scheme. The figure does not include pitches located outside building staircase discharge points / emergency vehicular access, and earmarked to accommodate stalls that require relocation due to fire safety considerations. Nor does the figure include pitches that were freed up under other scenarios and reserved for various purposes such as resite commitments.