

CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Head: (49) Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

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Programme: (2) Environmental Hygiene and Related Services

Controlling Officer: Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene (Miss Vivian LAU)

Director of Bureau: Secretary for Food and Health

Question:

1. Please set out the respective numbers of existing refuse collection vehicles and street washing vehicles, the number of each type of vehicles that are due for replacement and the amounts to be involved in 2018-19, the ages of such vehicles and the reason(s) for replacement.
2. With regard to the net increase of 52 posts under Programme (2), what are the rank, job nature and salary of each post, and the number of grades involved?

Asked by: Hon LAU Ip-keung, Kenneth (Member Question No. (LegCo use): 52)

Reply:

1. At present, the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department has 143 refuse collection vehicles (RCVs) and 34 Street Washing Vehicles (SWVs). We plan to start replacing 11 RCVs and 2 SWVs in 2018-19, at a total cost of \$39.2 million. The RCVs commenced service between June 2010 and July 2011, and the SWVs commenced service in January 2009. They are reaching the end of their service life and therefore due for replacement. The average service life of the RCVs and the SWVs would be around 9.7 years and 12.2 years respectively by the time they are replaced.
2. The increase of 52 posts under Programme (2) in 2018-19 represents the net increase of posts. Information on all the posts proposed to be created under this programme in 2018-19 involving 7 grades is provided as follows –

Purpose	Grades	Total annual salary #
(a) To strengthen environmental hygiene and related services (including tackling environmental nuisances, illegal outside seating accommodation of food premises and water seepage in private buildings; and enhancing public cleanliness and streetscape)	Health Inspector Foreman Clerical Officer Motor Driver	\$94.2 million
(b) To take forward public columbaria projects and support regulation of private columbaria under the Private Columbaria Ordinance (Cap. 630)	Executive Officer Health Inspector Clerical Officer	\$3.3 million
(c) To enhance, maintain and support information technology systems and services; and to strengthen administrative support	Analyst/Programmer Computer Operator Executive Officer Clerical Officer	\$6.5 million
Total		\$104.0 million

Total annual salary for all the posts proposed to be created in 2018-19.

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