

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY**

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Director of Bureau: Secretary for Food and Health

Question:

With regard to the problem of hygiene blackspots, please advise on:

- (a) the locations of all existing hygiene blackspots in the territory and the hygiene problems involved, with a breakdown by district;
- (b) the criteria adopted by the Department in assessing hygiene blackspots and the follow-up actions taken after the assessment; and
- (c) whether the Department has worked with District Councils or community groups to invite members of local communities to identify hygiene blackspots and participate in monitoring efforts.

Asked by: Hon HO Chun-yin, Steven (LegCo internal reference no.: 67)

Reply:

The Food and Environmental Hygiene Department (the Department) receives environmental hygiene complaints from members of the public through multiple channels, including reports pinpointing locations with unsatisfactory hygiene conditions. The Department will conduct investigation and take measures to abate the nuisance. Depending on the circumstances prevailing at individual locations, the Department will adjust the frequency of street cleansing and pest control operations and step up enforcement action as appropriate. There is no hard and fast definition of what a hygienic "black spot" is; the term is used to refer to an area where the cleanliness problem remains obstinate despite enhanced cleansing.

A list of the top 5 locations in each of the 19 districts, as at March 2019, to which the Department devotes more efforts and resources in tackling the problem of illegal dumping of refuse is set out at Annex.

Since June 2018, the Department has installed Internet Protocol (IP) cameras at 115 illegal refuse deposit black spots over the territory to curb such activities. The Department plans to extend the scheme for 2 years and will consult District Councils (DCs) to draw up a prioritised site list for each district for installation of IP cameras. It will progressively increase the number of locations for installation of IP cameras to over 300 with consideration given to the locations proposed by DCs, at an estimated annual expenditure of \$26 million.

To combat illegal deposit of refuse, apart from installation of IP cameras, the Department has set up 19 dedicated enforcement teams (DETs), primarily to step up enforcement action against various public cleanliness offences. The Department will set up additional DETs in 2019-20 to strengthen law enforcement work and convey health messages, distribute leaflets and warning notices to arouse public awareness of maintaining street cleanliness and proper disposal of refuse. In addition, the Department has, with the consent of respective DCs, extended the opening hours of some refuse collection points to meet the demand for service at midnight or in the early morning. This arrangement has brought about improvements to environmental hygiene.

There are various channels which the public may raise suggestions or complaints on the services of the Department. The Department will follow up the cases and conduct inspections of cleansing services and facilities, including follow-up investigations in response to complaints. District management staff of the Department have also stepped up inspections and monitoring of contractors' performances in order to enhance hygiene conditions of the illegal refuse dumping black spots. The Department will continue to work with respective DCs to closely monitor the cleanliness and hygiene condition of the dumping black spots, enhance public education and publicity as well as step up law enforcement actions as necessary.

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**Top 5 Locations of Illegal Dumping of Refuse  
(as at March 2019)**

<b>District</b>	<b>Location</b>
Central and Western	Li Yuen Street East
	Li Yuen Street West
	Elgin Street
	Staunton Street
	Davis Street near Hau Wo Street
Wan Chai	Outside Temporary Refuse Collection Point at Mount Butler Road
	No. 348 Hennessy Road
	No. 2 O'Brien Road
	Rear Lane of On On Building at Nos. 123-125 Lockhart Road
	Junction of Cannon Street and Jaffe Road
Eastern	Junction of Shing On Street and No.118 Shau Kei Wan Road
	Nos. 382-386 Shau Kei Wan Road, Shau Kei Wan
	No. 373 Shau Kei Wan Road, Shau Kei Wan
	Outside Nam On Street Public Toilet
	Outside A Kung Ngam Village Road Refuse Collection Point
Southern	Outside Lee Nam Road Refuse Collection Point
	Outside Temporary Refuse Collection Point opposite Pokfulam Village
	Junction of Hing Wo Street and Ka Wo Street outside Tin Wan Market
	Aberdeen Old Main Street
	Outside Chuk Hom Kok Temporary Refuse Collection Point
Islands	Outside Silver View Centre, Ngan Kwong Wan Road, Mui Wo
	Outside Mui Wo Pier Car Park, Mui Wo
	Tung Chung Road North near Lamppost FB8749 and FB8750
	Bin Site next to 44 Wang Long, Yung Shue Wan, Lamma Island
	Bin Site next to Lamppost BC0507, Chi Ma Wan Road, South Lantau
Yau Tsim	Star Ferry Pier, Tsim Sha Tsui
	Junction of Battery Street and Saigon Street
	Junction of Parkes Street and Bowring Street
	Junction of Dundas Street and Waterloo Road (outside Kwong Wah Hospital)
	Rear lane of Nos. 2 - 40 Portland Street

<b>District</b>	<b>Location</b>
Mong Kok	Outside Skyway House, No. 3 Sham Mong Road
	Pavement of Larch Street
	Junction of Poplar Street and Tai Nan Street (Outside Poplar Street Substation)
	Junction of Ferry Street and Shan Tung Street
	Junction of Ferry Street and Nelson Street (Outside Shun King Building)
Sham Shui Po	Junction of Ki Lung Street and Pei Ho Street
	Junction of Tai Nan Street and Pei Ho Street
	Pavement outside Fuk Wing Street Rest Garden
	Kim Sin Lane
	Junction of Kweilin Street and Lai Chi Kok Road
Kowloon City	Gillies Avenue North (near Gillies Avenue Post Office)
	Junction of Ma Tau Wai Road and Hok Yuen Street (near Hung Hom Square)
	Roundabout of Wan On Street
	No. 99 Dock Street
	Junction of York Road and To Fuk Road
Wong Tai Sin	Junction of Sam Chuk Street and Tsat Po Street, San Po Kong
	Kam Fung Street
	Yan Oi Street (near Lamp post no. AA7256)
	Rear lane of Nos. 19-33 Hong Keung Street
	Outside Hsin Kuang Centre at Ying Fung Lane
Kwun Tong	Lam Tin Estate near entrance of Saint Edward's Mass Centre (Lin Tak Road)
	Lam Tin MTR Station Exit A near Bank of China
	Under Footbridge at New clear Water Bay Road near Ngau Chi Wan Substation.
	Pavement at Choi Ha Road, opposite Jordan Valley Swimming Pool
	Outside Choi Shek Lane Refuse Collection Point
Kwai Tsing	Outside Tai Chuen Ping Street Refuse Collection Point
	Outside Tam Kon Shan Road Refuse Collection Point
	Lam Tin Street
	Kwong Fai Circuit
	Shek Man Path

<b>District</b>	<b>Location</b>
Tsuen Wan	Outside Luen Yan Street Refuse Collection Point
	Outside Wo Yi Hop Village Refuse Collection Point
	Yi Pei Square
	Hau Tei Square
	Tai Pei Square
Tuen Mun	Outside Tsing Yeung Circuit Refuse Collection Point
	Outside San Hing Tsuen Refuse Collection Point
	Ho Fat Lane
	Tat Fuk Road near lamppost nos. BD2940 and BD2938
	Tin Tei Yan Road (near Tin Tei Yan Road Public Toilet)
Yuen Long	Outside Ka Lung Road Refuse Collection Point
	Outside Tai Tao Tsuen Refuse Collection Point
	Outside Shan Pui Road Refuse Collection Point
	Outside Long Ha Tsuen Refuse Collection Point
	Outside Tung Tai Wai San Tsuen Refuse Collection Point
North	Ho Sheung Heung Pai Fung Road near lamppost no. V5223
	Outside Kam Tsin (Fung Shui Grave) Refuse Collection Point
	Yip Fung Street Car Park, Fanling
	Bin Site near Lamppost no. EB5319 at Ping Yeung Village, Ta Ku Ling
	Outside Queen's Hill Refuse Collection Point
Tai Po	Outside Nam Hang Village Refuse Collection Point
	Outside Tai Po Lookout Refuse Collection Point
	Outside Wong Yue Tan Refuse Collection Point
	Outside Pan Chung Village Refuse Collection Point
	Outside Shek Kwu Lung Village Refuse Collection Point
Sha Tin	Outside Siu Lek Yuen Village Refuse Collection Point
	Outside Sha Tin Wai Village Refuse Collection Point
	Outside San Tin Village Refuse Collection Point
	Outside Fo Tan Village Refuse Collection Point
	Car Park near 8623 Tai Po Road – Sha Tin Heights
Sai Kung	Tong Ming Street and Po Hong Road (outside the Beverly Garden)
	Outside Yi Chun Street Refuse Collection Point
	Outside Fui Yiu Lane Refuse Collection Point
	Outside Pik Sha Road Refuse Collection Point
	Outside Tai Chung Hau Village Refuse Collection Point