## Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2023-24

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### CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

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Programme: (3) Market Management and Hawker Control

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#### **Question:**

On controlling and containing on-street hawking activities and obstruction, how many blackspots of on-street hawking activities are there according to the Department's statistics? Please set out in tabular form the locations of these blackspots. How will the Department control these activities? What are the details of the relevant control operations? Will joint operations be carried out in collaboration with the Police? What is the estimated expenditure of the relevant control measures?

Asked by: Hon CHAN Han-pan (LegCo internal reference no.: 15)

## Reply:

The Food and Environmental Hygiene Department conducts surveys quarterly in various districts. The number of unlicensed hawkers trading at a certain location at any one time of the day is counted to identify hawker blackspots where unlicensed hawkers congregate. The locations of the existing 45 blackspots across the territory are set out at Annex. The Department will adopt mobile patrol and raiding as strategies to deter illegal hawking activities and prevent unlicensed hawkers from taking root at these locations. To enhance deterrence, unlicensed hawkers will be arrested and their goods and equipment will be seized during raiding operations. Moreover, district offices of the Department maintain close communication with the local police and arrange for joint operations where necessary.

Combating unlicensed hawkers is part of the duties of the Hawkers Section of the Department, the staff of which are also responsible for the licensing and daily management of licensed hawkers, combating shop front extensions, managing hawker permitted places, taking law enforcement actions against those who have committed cleanliness offences, etc. The Department does not keep a separate breakdown of the relevant expenditure for the work against unlicensed hawkers.

# **Locations of Hawker Blackspots**

District	Location
Central and Western	1. The area near Statue Square and the Former Legislative Council Building
	2. The area near Chater Garden and Murray Road
	3. The footbridge along Connaught Road Central and its vicinity
Wan Chai	4. Wan Chai Road (between Johnston Road and Cross Street), Tai Yuen Street, Cross Street, Stone Nullah Lane (between Johnston Road and Cross Street) and the vicinity
	5. Bowrington Road (between Hennessy Road and Sharp Street West) and Wan Chai Road (between Canal Road West and Tin Lok Lane)
Eastern	6. The area near Chai Wan Market, including the open space outside Walton Estate, Yee Shun Street, Yee Tai Street, Yee Fung Street and the lane in front of Winner Centre
	7. The area near Kam Wa Street, including Mong Lung Street and Tai Tak Street
	8. The area near Marble Road, including exits of MTR North Point Station, Kam Hong Street, Shu Kuk Street, a section of King's Road between Kam Hong Street and Tin Chiu Street, as well as the area near Java Road Market
	9. The area near Chun Yeung Street, including North Point Road, Tong Shui Road, a section of King's Road near Kam Hong Street, as well as exits of MTR Fortress Hill Station.
	10. The area near Siu Sai Wan (a section of Siu Sai Wan Road between Bus Terminus and Fullview Garden)
	11. Kut Shing Street and Chai Wan Footbridge outside MTR Chai Wan Station
	12. The streets around Sai Wan Ho Market (including Tai On Street and a section of Shau Kei Wan Road in front of Tai On Building), the area near Quarry Bay Market (including Quarry Bay Footbridge), a section of King's Road between Finnie Street and Hong On Street, as well as the area outside Kornhill Plaza (South)
Southern	13. The pavement between Aberdeen West Typhoon Shelter and Aberdeen Promenade
Islands	14. The area near Cheung Chau Ferry Pier and Praya Street in Cheung Chau
	15. The area at the junction of Yat Tung Street and Chung Yan Road in Tung Chung, Lantau Island

District		Location
Yau Tsim Mong	16.	A section of Nathan Road between Argyle Street and Dundas Street
	17.	A section of Sai Yeung Choi Street South between Argyle Street and Dundas Street
	18.	The area near the former Food and Environmental Hygiene Department Mong Kok Market (bounded by Nelson Street, Canton Road, Argyle Street and Tong Mi Road)
	19.	A section of Fa Yuen Street between Nullah Road and Dundas Street
	20.	A section of Sai Yee Street between Argyle Street and Soy Street
	21.	A section of Portland Street between Argyle Street and Dundas Street
Sham Shui Po	22.	Tung Chau Street (between Yen Chow Street and Nam Cheong Street)
	23.	Pei Ho Street (between Un Chau Street and Lai Chi Kok Road)
	24.	Kweilin Street (between Apliu Street and Yu Chau Street)
Kowloon City	25.	Bulkeley Street (between Gillies Avenue South and Dock Street)
Wong Tai Sin	26.	Tai Shing Street, Tai Tung Street and its vicinity
	27.	Ngau Chi Wan Village and its vicinity
	28.	Lung Cheung Road and Shatin Pass Road
	29.	MTR Lok Fu Station near Wang Tau Hom East Road and its vicinity
	30.	Ching Tak Street and its vicinity
	31.	Tai Yau Street and the area near San Po Kong Industrial Area
Kwun Tong	32.	Tsun Yip Street / How Ming Street / Hip Wo Street / Shui Wo Street / Hoi Yuen Road
	33.	The footbridges linking Telford Plaza and MTR Kowloon Bay Station / Ngau Tau Kok Road outside Amoy Plaza / Wang Hoi Road
	34.	Lam Tin Estate passage way between Tak Tin Street and Ping Tin Street (at the side of Lam Tin Estate Bus Terminus)
	35.	On Wah Street / On Tak Road / Jordan Valley Road North / Ngau Tau Kok Road adjacent to Lower Ngau Tau Kok Estate
Kwai Tsing	36.	Sheung Ko Tan Street in Chung Mei Village, Tsing Yi

District	Location
Tuen Mun	37. The area near Sam Shing Estate
	38. The area near Kai Man Path, including Ho Pong Street, Pui To Road, Choy Yee Bridge Road, a section of Tuen Mun Heung Sze Wui Road between Choy Yee Bridge Road and Luk Yuen Street, as well as the area near San Hui Market
	39. Mei Lok Lane
Yuen Long	40. Hop Choi Street
North	41. MTR Sheung Shui Station and its vicinity (including the surrounding footbridges, Choi Yuen Road and San Wan Road)
	42. MTR Fanling Station and its vicinity (including Fanling Station Road and the footbridge linking MTR Fanling Station with Pak Wo Road and Yat Ming Road)
Sha Tin	43. The area under the flyover between Lung Hang Estate and Sun Chui Estate
	44. The area near Fun City at Lek Yuen Street
	45. Mei Tin Road