The Third Meeting of the Second-term Community Care Fund Task Force 19 May 2015

Summary of Discussion

The Community Care Fund (CCF) Task Force under the second-term Commission on Poverty (CoP) held its third meeting on 19 May 2015. A summary of discussion is as follows:

- 1. Members noted the progress report of existing assistance programmes and the latest financial position of the CCF. To further expand the network of district service organisations for accepting applications under the expanded "Elderly dental assistance programme", members agreed that, in addition to those elderly centres subvented by the Social Welfare Department (SWD), community centres subvented by the SWD and self-financing elderly centres operated under the participating non-governmental organisations (NGOs) would be invited to assist in implementing the programme.
- 2. Members noted the progress of the relaunched "One-off living subsidy for low-income households not living in public housing and not receiving CSSA" programme, and supported the proposal for additional provision according to the actual implementation of the programme. The proposal would be submitted to the CoP for consideration.
- 3. Members noted the evaluation report of the "Extra travel subsidy for needy special school students" programme, and the arrangement of incorporating this programme into the Government's regular assistance programme in the 2015/16 school year.
- 4. Members commented on the suggestions for new assistance programmes made at the two public consultations this year and the meetings of the Legislative Council Subcommittee on Poverty earlier on, and asked bureaux/departments to follow up with the comments.