The Sixth Meeting of the Second-term Community Care Fund Task Force 2 February 2016

Summary of Discussion

The Community Care Fund (CCF) Task Force under the second-term Commission on Poverty held its sixth meeting on 2 February 2016. A summary of discussion is as follows:

- 1. Members noted the progress report of existing assistance programmes. Among others, the Hong Kong Dental Association would continue to recruit more "Community Care Dentists" for the expanded "Elderly dental assistance programme". After accumulating implementation experience and collecting more data, the CCF would consider further expanding the target beneficiaries of the programme to lower age groups. Members also noted the progress of the evaluation studies on the effectiveness of the "Incentive scheme to further encourage CSSA recipients of the Integrated Employment Assistance Programme for Self-reliance to secure employment" and the "Pilot scheme on living allowance for carers of the elderly persons from low income families".
- 2. Members noted the latest financial position of the CCF and approved the estimates for staff and administrative costs of the CCF Secretariat and the Social Welfare Department in 2016-17.
- 3. Members discussed the suggestions for new assistance programmes put forward at the meetings of the Legislative Council Subcommittee on Poverty on 21 July and 20 October 2015 respectively and the responses from the bureaux/departments concerned.