

**The Seventh Meeting of the Third-term  
Community Care Fund Task Force  
10 January 2020**

**Summary of Discussion**

The third-term Community Care Fund (CCF) Task Force (CCFTF) under the Commission on Poverty (CoP) held its seventh meeting on 10 January 2020. A summary of the discussion is as follows:

1. Members noted the progress of the existing assistance programmes under the CCF and its latest financial position.
2. After discussion, the CCFTF supported the following proposals:
  - (a) to implement the “Subsidy for Refurbishment of Property of the Mass Transit Railway Corporation Limited for T-Home Transitional Housing Scheme - Trackside Villas” programme to assist the Hong Kong Housing Society to refurbish Trackside Villas. The refurbishment works would involve 252 units at most and benefit about 1 120 persons, requiring an estimated expenditure of around \$45.94 million.
  - (b) to introduce a new drug under the “Subsidy for Eligible Patients to Purchase Ultra-expensive Drugs (Including Those for Treating Uncommon Disorders)” programme with an estimated subsidy amount of about \$22 million. The additional costs arising from the new drug could be covered by the approved budget and no additional funding would be required.
  - (c) the indicative budget for subsidy disbursement and administrative costs in relation to three medical assistance programmes (i.e. “The First Phase Programme of Medical Assistance Programmes”, the “Subsidy for Eligible Patients to Purchase Ultra-expensive Drugs (Including Those for Treating Uncommon Disorders)” and the “Subsidy for Eligible Patients of Hospital Authority to Purchase Specified Implantable Medical Devices for Interventional Procedures”) for 2020-21, with a total amount of \$986.95 million;
  - (d) to implement the “One-off Living Subsidy for Low-income Households Not Living in Public Housing and Not Receiving Comprehensive Social Security Assistance (2021)” programme (the 2021 Programme). The

2021 Programme would adopt the same eligibility criteria and amount of subsidy under the 2020 Programme. With a total estimated expenditure of \$1,447.73 million, the 2021 Programme was expected to benefit about 137 150 households (about 353 600 persons).

The above proposals will be submitted to the CoP for consideration.