

Press Release

SFST visits Yau Tsim Mong District (with photos)

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The Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury, Professor K C Chan, visited Yau Tsim Mong District this afternoon (September 22) to learn more about the latest developments in the district and exchanged views with members of the District Council.

Accompanied by the District Officer (Yau Tsim Mong), Mrs Laura Aron, Professor Chan first visited the Hong Kong Red Cross Headquarters and its Humanitarian Education Centre. Completed in September 2015, the new headquarters is the first comprehensive humanitarian platform in Hong Kong, providing services including blood transfusion, disaster relief and preparedness, first aid and health training, youth development and education, volunteering, tracing and psychological support, as well as special education and rehabilitation.

Located on the seventh floor, the Humanitarian Education Centre provides exploration and simulated humanitarian activities for visitors to understand human suffering brought about by armed conflict and natural disasters, so as to stimulate thinking on the importance of humanitarian assistance and support from the community.

Professor Chan then visited Lui Seng Chun, a Grade I historic building now serving the community as the Hong Kong Baptist University School of Chinese Medicine - Lui Seng Chun. The Government launched the Revitalising Historic Buildings through Partnership Scheme in 2008 and the building was among the first batch selected for the scheme to achieve the dual objectives of promoting social enterprise and putting historic buildings to good use. Apart from providing good Chinese medical and health care services and offering free and concessionary medical consultations, Lui Seng Chun is also open for public visit.

Professor Chan later toured the new Yau Ma Tei Police Station. Opened in May this year, it has new facilities such as the new-generation report room, barrier-free access and a baby care room. To help protect the environment, the new police station has also adopted a number of energy-saving features and

renewable energy technology, including designated green areas, an innovative outlook to increase air flow, a cold-water circulation system and an automatic demand-control ventilation system with carbon dioxide sensors.

Before concluding his visit, Professor Chan met with members of the Yau Tsim Mong District Council to exchange views on issues of common interest, including funding for district minor works, financial intermediaries activities and procedures for opening bank accounts.

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