

**THE HONG KONG COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE**  
**Service Development (Family & Community)**  
**Specialized Committee on Family and Community Service (SCFC)**

Minutes of the 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Specialized Committee on Family and Community Service (2024-25) held on Sep 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025 (Wednesday) via Zoom.

**Present**

Ms. Angela CHIU, (Chairperson)	Hong Kong Catholic Marriage Advisory Council
Ms. MA Yeuk-nung, Cecily (Vice-chairperson)	Boys' and Girls' Clubs Association of Hong Kong
Ms. TSE So-hung, Joyce	Christian Family Service Centre
Ms. SEE Man-yan	Chinese Young Men's Christian Association of Hong Kong, Jordan Centre
Mr. NG Kwan-lim, Kenny	Community Development Alliance
Ms. LEUNG Tsui-wan, Tracy	Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council Limited
Ms. FONG So-pik, Fiona	Heep Hong Society
Mr. CHAM Kwok-wing, Kerin	International Social Service Hong Kong Branch
Ms. YIU Yan-ye, Cindy	New Life Psychiatric Rehabilitation Association
Ms. LEE Shuk-ye, Charrix	The Hong Kong Family Welfare Society
Ms. CHAN Fei, Faye	The Neighbourhood Advice-Action Council
Ms. CHAN Yu-ling, Lincole	The Salvation Army
Ms. LEE Koon-mei, May	The Society of Rehabilitation and Crime Prevention, HK
Ms. LAM Yick-man	St. James' Settlement
Mr. FAN Man-tao, Frankie	Evangelical Lutheran Church Social Service - Hong Kong
Dr. CHAN Ying, Crystal	The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Ms. NG Suet-kam	Hong Kong Lutheran Social Service, LC-HKS
Mr. YIP Kin-chung	Hong Kong Evangelical Church Social Service Limited
Mr. Peace WONG	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Mr. Jim HOE	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Ms. Jobe HSU	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Ms. Queenie KWOK	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Mr. Alex YEUNG	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Ms. Qubie TANG	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
Ms. Sandra WONG (Recorder)	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service

**Apologies**

Dr. CHAN Siu-ming	City University of Hong Kong
Ms. TSOI, Apple	Hong Kong Federation of Women's Centres
Mr. CHEUNG Muk-yan, Mike	Hong Kong Christian Service

## **1 Confirmation of Minutes of Last Meeting – Jul 16, 2025**

The draft minutes of the meeting held on Jul 16, 2025 was circulated by email on Jul 9, 2025 and was confirmed.

## **2 Reporting Items**

### **2.1 Cross Service Exchange**

Mr. Jim Hoe reported that the team is planning a service exchange between Substance Abuse Service network and Integrated Family Service Centre network in early December, focusing on the practical challenges of implementing the Mandatory Reporting of Child Abuse (MRR) system. Members expressed concern that the current guidelines contain grey areas, resulting in uncertainty regarding the timing of reporting, the legal validity of records, and the division of responsibility. Therefore, it was suggested that the exchange should serve to clarify consistency in risk assessment and reporting criteria, address the follow-up and enhance inter-sectoral cooperation.

### **2.2 Update on Mandatory Reporting**

Ms. Qubie Tang reported two events will be organized with a focus on child protection among ethnic minority communities. On October 9, 2025, HKCSS will organize a 'Practice Wisdom Sharing Session on Handling Suspected Child Abuse Cases,' where real case sharing will be used to enhance frontline workers' cultural sensitivity and cross-sector collaboration. On October 30, 2025, an Ethnic Minority Leaders Collaboration Session will be organized where social service and religious sector representatives will be invited to share view on collaboration for child protection. Ms. Faye Chan invited Ms. Angela Chiu to serve as the facilitator and welcomed other interested members to join the collaboration session.

### **2.3 Progress Report (Jul 2025 to Aug 2025) (Paper 1)**

With reference to [Paper 1: Progress Report \(July 2025 to August 2025\)](#), Mr. Peace Wong briefed members on the Progress report.

## **3 Discussion Items**

### **3.1 Update on Combating Public Housing Abuse and related issues**

Mr. Peace Wong reported a revision in the Housing Department's (HD) practices regarding the issuance of Notices-to-Quit (NDQ). Residents are now reminded to declare any

changes in their circumstances before an NDQ is issued, as prompt reporting may help avoid eviction. However, this revision does not apply to cases involving inaccurate declarations made during the initial application.

Members expressed concern that the current housing support options for those facing eviction, such as social housing and Interim Housing, do not adequately meet the needs of residents who are evicted from public housing. They suggested reevaluating how these resources can be deployed more efficiently. Mr. Peace Wong will follow up on this matter.

### **3.2 Update on Smart Family-Link Project**

Mr. Peace Wong noted that the Smart Family-Link Project will be largely ended on September 30, 2025, with a small funding from JC will provide basic support for the system for one more year. Ms. Angela Chiu suggested HKCSS act as coordinator and convene further meetings to explore ways of collaboration among operators in sustaining the system.

Ms. Angela Chiu also highlighted that practice sharing for the Smart Family Link project are available on the iHub platform, stake holders who are interested are welcome to learn from the iHub.

### **3.3 Discussion on Policy Address 2025**

Mr. Peace Wong reported that focuses of the 2025 Policy Address is on promoting the halal tourism market, strengthening support for caregivers, and encouraging childbirth. Members suggested drawing reference from the BGCA and PolyU seminar “Transitioning to Parenthood – Support for Expectant and New Parents” to enhance social workers’ involvement in supporting expectant and new parents. Members also expressed concerns about employment opportunities for ethnic minorities and the effectiveness and stability of the after-school childcare program.

## **4. Any Other Business**

Members shared that the Social Welfare Department is currently reviewing and optimizing the Funding and Service Agreement (FSA) system. Ms. Angela Chiu suggested sharing views after upcoming service meetings for further feedback and discussion.

Ms. Jobe Hsu invited members to participate in the 2025 National Symposium on Drug

Abuse Prevention and Control, which is now waived for interested SCFC members. In addition, the DBS mass event will take place from Oct 17 to Oct 19. Relevant information will be shared in the WhatsApp group for members who are unable to attend the meeting.

**5. Date of Next Meeting**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m. The date of the next meeting will be subjected to further arrangement.

Adopted by

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Chairperson

on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2025