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## ADC's Response to CHC's Consultative Paper

Hong Kong Arts Development Council held a full council meeting this evening (7 November) to discuss the consultative paper published yesterday by the Culture and Heritage Commission.

According to the *Hong Kong Arts Development Council Ordinance*, one of the statutory functions of the ADC is “to advise the Government on the policies, standard of provision of facilities, educational programmes, levels of funding and any other matters that may affect the planning, development, promotion and support of the arts”.

In view of this legal obligation, the Council held a preliminary discussion on the consultative paper and expressed concern on the impact brought by the possible changes on the arts community. It was decided that three consultations will be organised. The first consultation will primarily focus on the recommendations on cultural position, education in culture and the arts, and international cultural metropolis, while the last two ones will be on cultural facilities, resource deployment and institutional framework. To facilitate the consultation, the ADC will also invite representatives of the Culture and Heritage Commission to attend. All three consultations are open to the public.

After the consultations, the ADC will submit an opinion paper to the Government for consideration.

Details of the consultations will be announced later.

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