

**Conduct of Electioneering Activities and Election Meetings in
Housing Estate under the Management of the Housing Department,
the Hong Kong Housing Society, and Light Public Housing under the
management of Housing Bureau**

Validly nominated candidates must obtain **prior approval**^{Note} from an estate manager, project manager or officer-in-charge before conducting any electioneering activity or election meeting within a housing estate or light public housing, and must comply with regulations and conditions imposed by other relevant authorities. An **application** for approval **should be made at least two clear working days (excluding Saturday, Sunday or general holiday) before the date of the proposed election meeting/electioneering activity**, and the applicant will be notified of the decision as soon as practicable. To avoid any conflict that may arise from allowing two or more candidates and their supporters to hold election meetings/electioneering activities at the same venue and time in a housing estate or light public housing, the Housing Department, the Hong Kong Housing Society and the Housing Bureau will process the applications as soon as practicable and will adopt the following arrangements:

- (a) if only one application for holding an election meeting/electioneering activity at a particular venue and at a particular time is received, that application will be approved;
- (b) if two or more applications for the same venue and the same period are received by the Housing Department, the Hong Kong Housing Society or the Housing Bureau two clear working days before the election meeting/electioneering activity, the applicants will be advised to negotiate among themselves to reach an agreement on condition that no canvassing from two or more groups will be held at the same venue and at the same time to avoid any dispute or clash. If no agreement be reached, allocation of venue or time will be made by the drawing of lots at a time to be decided by the relevant estate office or light public housing office;

^{Note} The Housing Department, the Hong Kong Housing Society and Housing Bureau stipulate that candidates must be validly nominated and submit relevant proof before they can apply for approval to conduct electioneering activities or election meetings within a housing estate or light public housing. Validly nominated candidates can only commence their electioneering activities or election meetings within the housing estate or light public housing, following the approval given by the estate office or light public housing office and the lots drawing session for candidates conducted by the Returning Officer.

- (c) for the purpose of (a) and (b) above, an application for several periods will be dealt with as separate applications for each of the periods; and
- (d) the relevant estate office or light public housing office should send a copy of the letter of approval to the respective Returning Officer for record and for public inspection.