



“Plastic-free” School Lunch and School Food Waste Composter

Briefings on Green Schools 2.0 and Other Programmes

“Plastic-free” School Lunch

- ▶ Based on a survey conducted by the EPD in 2017:
 - ❖ 400,000 meals are supplied by school lunch suppliers to schools on a daily basis
 - ❖ 220,000 meals (~55%) are still served in disposable lunch boxes which are thrown away every school day
- ▶ The Chief Executive announced in the Supplement of the 2019 Policy Address “*The Government will implement a “Plastic-free” School Lunch Pilot Scheme to encourage primary and secondary schools to use reusable lunch boxes in serving school lunch, and students to bring along their own reusable cutlery.*”





“Plastic-free” School Lunch(cont’d)

- ▶ Pilot Scheme for Provision of Necessary Equipment for “Plastic-free” School Lunch
- ▶ Trial Scheme on Serving School Lunch in Reusable Containers

Pilot Scheme for Provision of Necessary Equipment for “Plastic-free” School Lunch

- ▶ **Objective:** A new pilot scheme under the Environment and Conservation Fund (環境及自然保育基金) to provide Necessary Equipment to 50 schools for encouraging students to bring their own lunch using reusable food containers, with a view to reducing the use of disposable lunch boxes
- ▶ **Necessary Equipment:**



Refrigerator




Steam cabinet



Dishwasher



Disinfection machine



Pilot Scheme for Provision of Necessary Equipment for “Plastic-free” School Lunch (cont’d)

- ▶ **Duration:** 3 school years
- ▶ **Application:**
 - ❖ One-off application open to all primary and secondary schools in Hong Kong in Sept/Oct 2020
- ▶ **Programme:**
 - ❖ Target to deliver the Necessary Equipment to schools and carry out associated works within 2020/21 school year
- ▶ **Implementation:**
 - ❖ Engage the Electrical and Mechanical Services Trading Fund (EMSTF) (機電工程營運基金) to provide project management services including preliminary assessment and procurement of equipment and associated works

Trial Scheme on Serving School Lunch in Reusable Containers

- ▶ **Objective:** To conduct a trial for school lunch suppliers (SLSs) to carry out on-site portioning of cooked meal (即場分份) (i.e. SLS delivers cooked food to the school and portions the food at school using reusable lunch containers), with a view to reducing the use of disposable lunch boxes





Trial Scheme on Serving School Lunch in Reusable Containers (Cont'd)

- ▶ The Trial will be carried out under a Consultancy Study on Plastic-free School Lunch Arrangement
- ▶ The Hong Kong Productivity Council (HKPC) (香港生產力促進局) has been commissioned to conduct the Study including the Trial

Trial Scheme on Serving School Lunch in Reusable Containers(cont'd)

- ▶ **Target schools:** HKPC will arrange 15 primary and secondary schools to participate in the Trial. Schools that are adopting off-site meal portioning (預先分份) and using disposable lunch boxes are eligible to participate in the Trial
- ▶ **Duration:** Around one semester (in 2020/21 school year)
- ▶ **Application:**
 - ❖ HKPC will approach schools and related school lunch suppliers on the participation of the Trial
 - ❖ Schools that are interested in participating in the Trial can approach EPD to express interest for HKPC to follow up

Pilot Programme on Provision of Small Food Waste Composters at School - Phase 2

- **Objective:** To provide 5 kg small food waste composters, education kits and information for educational activities to 100 schools, with a view to cultivating “Food Wise” culture among teachers and students through reducing food waste at source, and demonstrating the recycling of unavoidable food waste into compost for use in planting on campus



Pilot Programme on Provision of Small Food Waste Composters at School - Phase 2 (cont'd)

► About the Pilot Programme – Phase 1

- ❖ Launched in 2018 through the Environment and Conservation Fund (ECF)(環境及自然保育基金)
- ❖ 90 participating schools
- ❖ Positive feedback from the participating schools on the use of composter, talks and workshops



Pilot Programme on Provision of Small Food Waste Composters at Schools - Phase 2 (cont'd)

► About the Pilot Programme – Phase 1

- ❖ Education kits and educational materials have been uploaded to the website of the Pilot Programme (<https://www.hd-sfwc.org>) for public access





Pilot Programme on Provision of Small Food Waste Composters at School - Phase 2 (cont'd)

► About the Pilot Programme – Phase 2

- ❖ **Duration:** 3 school years
- ❖ **Application:** One-off application open to all primary and secondary schools in Hong Kong through the ECF in Sept/Oct 2020
- ❖ **Programme:** Target to deliver the food waste composters to the participating schools for use within 2020/21 school year



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