The Government today (October 15) announced appointments by the Chief Executive to the Board of the West Kowloon Cultural District Authority (WKCDA) for a two-year term from October 23, 2010, to October 22, 2012.

The Chief Secretary for Administration, Mr Henry Tang, is re-appointed as Chairman of the Board.

A government spokesman said that the 15 non-official members, with their wealth of experience and expertise in different sectors, including arts and culture, architecture, urban planning, engineering, business and finance, law and community service, would provide needed knowledge and valuable advice to the Board to discharge its statutory duties and to see through the planning process of the West Kowloon Cultural District (WKCD).

The WKCDA Ordinance (Cap. 601) provides that the Board is the governing and executive body of the WKCDA. It is responsible for the planning, development, operation and maintenance of the arts and cultural facilities and related facilities in the WKCD.

Since its establishment in October 2008, the Board of the WKCDA has charted the direction for various strategic issues that are crucial to the development of the WKCD and the operation of the WKCDA, which include the organisational setup of the WKCDA and engagement with the public and stakeholders with a view to preparing a detailed Development Plan for the WKCD.

The following is the Board's membership published in the gazette today:

Chairman
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Chief Secretary for Administration

Members
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Mr Ronald Arculli
Mr Paul Chan Mo-po
Mr Edmond Chung Kong-mo
Mr Raymond Fung Wing-kee*
Mr Jeffrey Lam Kin-fung
Mr Andrew Lam Siu-lo
Professor Lee Chack-fan
Mr Victor Lo Chung-wing
Professor David Lung Ping-yee
Mr Ma Fung-kwok
Mr Sin Chung-kai
Professor Jenny So Fong-suk
Ms Yip Wing-sie
Mr Danny Yung Ning-tsun
Dr Allan Zeman
Secretary for Home Affairs or alternate representative
Secretary for Development or alternate representative
Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury or alternate representative

(*new appointee)

The Chief Executive Officer of the WKCDA is an ex-officio member of the Board.

Ends/Friday, October 15, 2010

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