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Dear Members,

Updates of the Club Outdoor Swimming Pool Maintenance Projection

The tender process for appointing a consultant for the maintenance project of the Outdoor Swimming Pool mentioned in June 2023 was completed in July. After deliberation by the Maintenance and Construction Sub-Committee in early August, the consultant was appointed with the aim of initiating the project as soon as possible to minimize inconvenience to members.

During the first and second quarters of 2023, the Club has completed several preliminary works, including leakage inspection, underground radar survey, tree inspection, and electrical rectification works in response to the latest regulations from the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department. After expert examination, the report indicates that two large, long-standing trees within the Outdoor Swimming Pool Area have been infected by fungi, resulting in irreparable damage to their trunks. One of the trees has also grown at an inclination of approximately 10 degrees, posing a potential danger of collapsing towards the street. The growth of the trees' roots has affected the water pipe facilities, leading to water pipe leaks and subsidence in the ground.

According to the expert recommendation and discussion by the General Committee, in order to ensure the safety of members and the general public, as well as to preserve the integrity of the Outdoor Swimming Pool, the Club had engaged a professional landscaping company for the purpose of tree removal during the maintenance project. Following the completion of the project, the Club intends to reestablish the greenery by replanting two medium-sized trees and creating an aesthetically pleasing, comfortable, and sanitary recreational facility for the use of our esteemed members and visitors. At the same time, appropriate safety and precautionary measures to minimize any adverse impact on the surrounding environment.

Due to the aforementioned preliminary inspections and rectification works that have been completed, the consulting team will be able to shorten the pool maintenance work by approximately three months. The entire project will involve the appointed consulting team assisting in handling the tendering matters of the contractor responsible for undertaking the project, as well as monitoring their construction progress and conducting pre-completion tests. The goal is to complete the project within the second quarter of 2024. During the construction period, regular updates on the progress will be posted and uploaded outside Reading Lounge at Club Lobby and on the Club's website for members to access relevant information at any time.

We apologize for any inconvenience that this may cause and seek your kind understanding and support of the Club's improvement effort as we pursue our objective of ensuring the safety and comfort of our members.

Please do not hesitate to contact us at 2397 4311 for any queries or suggestions.

Thank you for your kind attention!

Management Yau Yat Chuen Garden City Club

