Brief Notes of Meeting 1/2023-25 Advisory Committee under Fire Safety (Buildings) Ordinance Cap. 572 (20 April 2023)

Matters Discussed

1. Introduction to Advisory Committee (AC)

An introduction to the AC, including the background of the Fire Safety (Buildings) Ordinance Cap. 572 ("the Ordinance"), terms of reference, composition and meeting guidelines, was made in the meeting. Furthermore, members were reminded to make full disclosure of interests when they considered that they might have a potential conflict of interests in the case or issue considered by the AC. Members were also advised to keep confidential all case information that has come into their possession and protect such information from being used for purposes other than the terms of reference of the AC.

2. Fire Safety (Buildings) Ordinance, Cap. 572

The progress of implementing flexible and pragmatic measures under the Ordinance, the Fire Safety Improvement Works Subsidy Scheme and the legislative amendments on enhancing fire safety in old buildings was briefed in the meeting. The proposals of adopting direct pumping design hose reel system and direct pumping design fire hydrant/hose reel system in buildings regulated under the Ordinance of 4 storeys or above were discussed.