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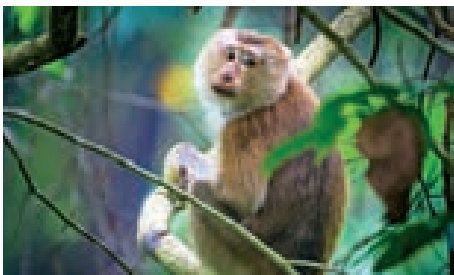


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Dear residents,

You may have seen several improvement works going on around our estate. These works are part of our Town Council's on-going efforts to make our estate and neighbourhood a better place to live in. For instance, the Neighbourhood Renewal Programme (NRP) upgrades estate amenities such as children's playgrounds, fitness corners, covered linkways and drop-off points. We continue to seek your ideas and suggestions for our NRP projects.

The Town Council also continues to find ways to improve our estate maintenance works, such as using mobile apps to allow residents to give feedback on estate matters, and finding new ways to conserve water in estate cleaning and maintenance.

Recently, Ang Mo Kio GRC and Sengkang West SMC held our Emergency Preparedness Week from 11 to 19 March. Our grassroots leaders will be trained to help residents respond to and deal with the stress and trauma of terror attacks or emergency situations. A group of 60 Ang Mo Kio GRC volunteers were the first to be trained in early March. Together, we can manage terrorist or emergency situations better by being prepared and knowing how to react and respond quickly when it happens.

We hope you will enjoy reading this issue of *Our Home*.

DR INTAN AZURA MOKHTAR

Vice Chairperson of Ang Mo Kio Town Council
Member of Parliament for Ang Mo Kio GRC

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亲爱的居民:

你可能已经看到我们的住宅区周围正在进行翻新工程。这些都是市镇理事会持续落实的计划，旨在把我们的住宅区和邻里打造成更美好的地方。譬如，邻区更新计划为儿童游乐场、健身角落、有盖走道及上下车处等设施进行翻新。我们希望你继续为邻区更新计划提供宝贵的意见和建议。

市镇会还不断想方设法，改善我们的维修工作。例如，通过手机应用程序，方便居民对住宅区的问题提出反馈。此外，市镇会也寻求更好的方法，以便在住宅区的清理及维修方面更加节约用水。

3月11日至19日，宏茂桥集选区和盛港西单选区举行“紧急应变周”。我们的基层领袖将接受训练，帮助居民应对恐怖袭击或紧急事故所带来的压力与创伤。3月初，已有60名宏茂桥集选区义工成为首批接受训练的成员。只要全民一心，做好准备并了解危机发生时如何迅速反应，我们一定能有效地处理恐怖袭击或紧急状况。

这一期的《家园》，希望你阅读愉快。

殷丹博士

宏茂桥市镇理事会副主席
宏茂桥集选区国会议员

Penduduk sekalian,

Anda mungkin telah melihat beberapa kerja pengubahsuaian yang sedang berjalan di estet kita. Kesemua kerja ini adalah sebahagian daripada usaha berterusan Majlis Bandaran untuk menjadikan estet dan kejiranan kita sebuah tempat yang lebih baik untuk didiami. Sebagai contoh, Program Pembaharuan Kejiranan (NRP) adalah untuk mempertingkatkan kemudahan estet seperti taman permainan kanak-kanak, sudut kecergasan, laluan berbumbung dan tempat menurunkan penumpang/barangan. Kami akan terus mendapatkan idea dan saranan anda bagi projek NRP yang dilaksanakan.

Majlis Bandaran juga sentiasa mencari jalan untuk meningkatkan kerja penyenggaraan estet, seperti menggunakan aplikasi bergerak untuk membolehkan penduduk memberi maklum balas berkenaan soal estet, dan mencari cara terbaharu dalam menjimat air bagi kerja pembersihan dan penyenggaraan estet.

Baru-baru ini, GRC Ang Mo Kio dan kawasan undi perseorangan Sengkang West telah mengadakan Minggu Kesiapsiagaan Kecemasan dari 11 hingga 19 Mac. Para pemimpin akar umbi kita telah dilatih untuk membantu penduduk dalam memberi respons dan menangani tekanan dan trauma akibat serangan ganas atau keadaan kecemasan. Sekumpulan 60 sukarelawan dari GRC Ang Mo Kio merupakan kumpulan pertama yang telah dilatih pada awal Mac lalu. Mari bersama-sama, kita menangani ancaman pengganas atau keadaan kecemasan dengan lebih bersiap-sedia.

Kami harap anda senang membaca keluaran Kediaman Kita kali ini.

DR INTAN AZURA MOKHTAR

Naib Pengerusi Majlis Bandaran Ang Mo Kio
Anggota Parlimen GRC Ang Mo Kio

அன்பார்ந்த குடியிருப்பாளர்களே,

நமது குடியிருப்புப் பேட்டையில் பற்பல மேம்பாட்டுப் பணிகள் நடந்துவருவதை நீங்கள் பார்த்திருக்கக்கூடும். நமது பேட்டையையும் அக்கம்பக்கத்தையும் வாழ்வதற்கு உகந்த மேம்பட்ட இடமாக உருமாற்ற நமது நகர மன்றம் மேற்கொள்ளும் தொடர் முயற்சிகளின் ஒரு பகுதியாகப் பணிகள் நடைபெறுகின்றன. எடுத்துக்காட்டாக, அக்கம்பக்கப் புதுப்பிப்புத் திட்டத்தின்கீழ் (என்ஆர்பி) சிறுவர் விளையாட்டுத் திடல்கள், உடற்பயிற்சிக் கூடங்கள், கூரையுள்ள இணைப்புப்பாதைகள், வாகனப் பயணிகளை இறக்கிவிடும் முகப்புகள் போன்ற வசதிகள் மேம்படுத்தப்படுகின்றன. நமது என்ஆர்பி திட்டப்பணிகளுக்கு உங்களது யோசனைகளையும் கருத்துகளையும் நாங்கள் தொடர்ந்து நாடுகிறோம்.

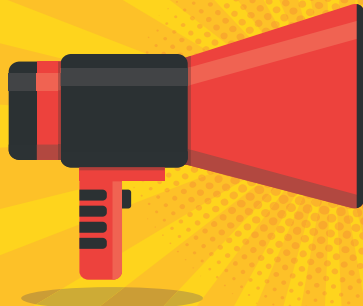
நமது பேட்டை பராமரிப்புப் பணிகளை மேம்படுத்தவும் நகர மன்றம் தொடர்ந்து புதுப்புது வழிகளைக் கண்டறிந்து வருகிறது. எடுத்துக்காட்டாக, பேட்டை விவகாரங்கள் குறித்து குடியிருப்பாளர்கள் கருத்து தெரிவிப்பதற்குக் கைபேசி செயலிகளைப் பயன்படுத்துகிறது. அதோடு, பேட்டையின் துப்புரவு, பராமரிப்புப் பணிகளில் தண்ணீரைச் சிக்கனமாகப் பயன்படுத்த புது வழிகளைக் கண்டறிகிறது.

அண்மையில், அங் மோ கியோ குழுத்தொகுதியும் செங்காங் வெஸ்ட் தனித்தொகுதியும் மார்ச் 11 முதல் 19 வரை அவசரகாலத் தயார்நிலை வாரத்தை நடத்தின. பயங்கரவாதத் தாக்குதலை அல்லது அவசர நிலைகளை எதிர்கொள்ளவும், அவற்றால் ஏற்படக்கூடிய மன உளைச்சலையும் பாதிப்பையும் சமாளிக்கவும் சமாளிக்கவும் குடியிருப்பாளர்களுக்கு உதவி புரிய நமது அடித்தளத் தலைவர்களுக்குப் பயிற்சி அளிக்கப்படும். தொடக்கமாக, அங் மோ கியோ குழுத்தொகுதியின் 60 தொண்டினியர்கள் மார்ச் மாதத் துவக்கத்தில் பயிற்சி பெற்றனர். நாம் ஒன்றுசேர்ந்து நம்மைத் தயார்ப்படுத்திக் கொண்டு, என்ன செய்யவேண்டும் என்பதையும் எப்படி விரைவாகச் செயல்படுவது என்பதையும் தெரிந்துகொண்டால், பயங்கரவாதத் தாக்குதல் அல்லது அவசர நிலைகள் நிகழும்போது நம்மால் அதை நல்லவிதமாகச் சமாளித்துவிட முடியும்.

நமது இல்லம் இதழின் இந்தப் பதிப்பு உங்களுக்கு மகிழ்வளிக்கும் என நம்புகிறோம்.

டாக்டர் இன்டான் அஸுரா மொக்தார்

அங் மோ கியோ நகர மன்றத் துணைத் தலைவர்
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Service and conservancy charges (S&CC) rebate

Eligible households will receive 1.5 to 3.5 months of S&CC rebate, depending on the type of HDB flat they live in. The rebate will be disbursed over the months of April, July and October 2017 as well as January 2018 as follows:

1 AND 2 ROOM FLAT 3.5 months rebates

April 2017	July 2017	October 2017	January 2018
1 month	1 month	1 month	0.5 month

3 AND 4 ROOM FLAT 2.5 months rebates

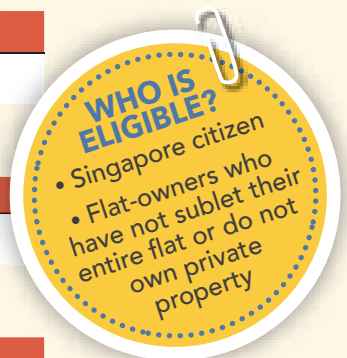
April 2017	July 2017	October 2017	January 2018
1 month	0.5 month	0.5 month	0.5 month

5 ROOM FLAT 2 months rebates

April 2017	July 2017	October 2017	January 2018
0.5 month	0.5 month	0.5 month	0.5 month

EXECUTIVE/MULTI-GENERATION FLAT 1.5 months rebates

April 2017	July 2017	October 2017	January 2018
0.5 month	0.5 month	0.5 month	-



I would like to commend the hard work of Mr Mazib, the new foreman of Cheng San Crest's conservancy team, and his fellow workers. Drivers have been littering the carpark with parking coupons, food wrappers, plastic bags and cigarette butts, but Mr Mazib and his team press on, regularly sweeping the carpark and keeping it clean. Good job!

James Caswell, via Ang Mo Kio Town Council's Facebook page



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Do you know what makes Ang Mo Kio Town Council run smoothly? Well, it consists of five committees and each one oversees an area or project. And together, the five committees – Business Liaison Committee, Publicity & Outreach Committee, Finance Management Committee, Estate Maintenance Committee and Project Development Committee – ensure that the estate and residents are well taken care of.

Our Home brings you a closer look at these committees, starting with the Business Liaison Committee (BLC).

Helping heartland businesses

Mr Gan Thiam Poh, chairman of the BLC, tells about the roles of the task force and the challenges it faces



Q: What does BLC do?

A: BLC works with business owners in Ang Mo Kio GRC to help them boost their business. We also help to establish and review rules and regulations that apply to shops and hawker operations.

Q: Who steers the committee?

A: The committee comprises one chairman, two vice-chairmen and 13 members.

Q: What are some of the key business community projects in 2016?

A: We worked with the Merchants' Association and Market and Hawkers' Association to make sure common areas are not cluttered with goods or advertisement signs and that there is sufficient walking space for the safety of residents.

The BLC also provided a platform so that programmes organised by the Merchants' Association, such as the Lunar New Year bazaar, can be shared with other merchants' associations.



Q: What are the challenges facing business owners and how does BLC help?

A: Heartland shops are facing competition from neighbourhood shopping malls. A challenge is helping heartland shops stay relevant by catering to changing consumer demand.

BLC worked with the various associations and came up with the idea of giving out discount coupons to encourage residents to shop at heartland stores.

Q: What are some upcoming projects?

A: HDB is working with the Merchants' Association on the Revitalisation of Shops scheme. BLC will help to explain the benefits of this programme to the merchants.



Mr Goh Miah Phong wanted to draw his neighbours closer to one another through gardening, so he started a community garden at Block 348 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 3.

But the garden ran into some teething problems; after episodes of heavy rain, the soil in the garden became soggy, drowning the plants.

So Mr Goh, who's also Chairman of the Teck Ghee Zone J Residents' Committee (RC), did some research and decided a shelter over the garden would help. He got the town council's approval to build the structure, and the garden became the first community garden in Ang Mo Kio to have a shelter.

Besides protecting the garden from excessive rain, the shelter also brings down the temperature and shields young plants from harsh, direct sunlight, says Ms Elsie Chua, an RC volunteer who helps out in the garden.

Water-efficient gardening

Mr Goh and his gardening team also installed sprinklers to water the plants, which cuts down on the amount of water used. Ms Chua adds that watering using a hose can also damage seedlings and result in uneven watering.

Now, the garden is humming along nicely and producing fresh vegetables such as kailan, sweet potato leaves, French beans and tapioca. They are grown without the use of pesticides. It is currently tended to by six resident volunteers. Mr Goh notes that other RCs are thinking of setting up a similar garden.

Madam Julia Khoo, a resident, says: "The vegetables here are more crunchy. I also like to take my grandson here to look at the plants. It's like visiting a mini vegetable farm."



Fresh vegetables at your doorstep



Living with wildlife

If you spot a snake near your home, what should you do? For one thing, don't panic and try to kill it. Increasing urbanisation has forced native wildlife like snakes, monkeys and monitor lizards into residential estates to look for food or shelter. Many of these animals are shy and will not attack unless provoked.

But some people see them as pests and want them culled. Culling is not always the solution, however. Ms Sumita Thiagarajan, an education executive with Animal Concerns Research & Education Society (Acres), says: "When you cull one animal species, another

species will then move in."

She adds that random culling might spread disease because bacteria and viruses that lived in the animals will move to other hosts, such as humans.

Rather than fearing these animals, residents can learn to live harmoniously with them by learning more about them. Pythons in Singapore, for example, eat rats and not humans, says Ms Sumita.

So what do you do if you see a snake? If it's not moving much, cover it with a heavy blanket so it cannot escape, then call AVA on 1800 476 1600 or Acres on 9783 7782.



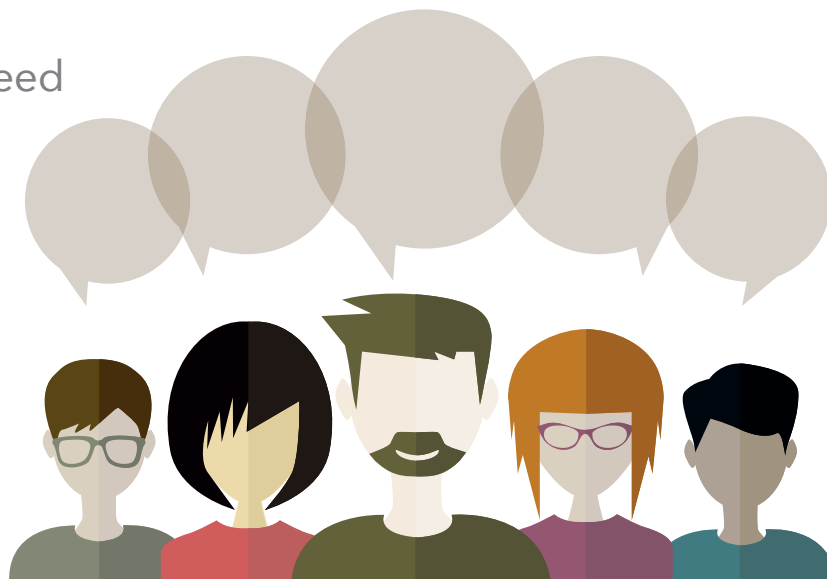
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Ms Sumita Thiagarajan,
Acres education executive

TO DISCOURAGE WILDLIFE FROM GOING NEAR YOUR HOME:

- Do not feed the animals or leave food in the open
- Close all entry points into your home such as windows or gaps in the wall
- If you have fruit trees in your garden, harvest the fruit as soon as you can because they can be a food source for animals

FOR MORE INFORMATION, GO TO www.ava.gov.sg OR acres.org.sg



Meet the neighbours

About 100 residents from Nuovo Condominium turned up for the carnival-themed Residents' Day on 4 March. Besides a sumptuous buffet, they enjoyed a variety of performances and activities such as a magic show and balloon sculpting.

The event was held to foster stronger relationships among the residents as well as to engage new residents.



Fruitful day

Residents of Luxus Hills and Gerald Mugliston private estates enjoyed a popiah and fruit party on 4 March, which was organised by the Gerald Mugliston Luxus Neighbourhood Committee.

The drizzle did not dampen the mood of residents, who had fun making their own popiah and kueh pie tee and sharing the food with their families and neighbours. They also enjoyed a variety of fruit such as longans, apples, grapes and strawberries.

Grassroots Adviser Dr Intan Azura Mokhtar joined the residents, and they took the chance to share with her their estate concerns and views on government policies such as the recent Budget announcements.

Dr Intan also got a pleasant surprise when 63-year-old resident Ng Peng Sing did a quick sketch of her in five minutes. Mr Ng, a retiree, keeps himself busy with his hobby, drawing and painting. Dr Intan was impressed with his artistic skills and invited him to use them in future community charity projects.



Every drop counts

It's hard to imagine living without running water, but our taps may very well run dry one day if we do not conserve water.

Singapore has a robust supply of water through importing water, collecting rainwater in reservoirs, desalinating seawater and recycling water.

But managing the demand for water is as important as having a good supply.

According to the Public Utilities Board (PUB), water demand in Singapore is currently about 430 million gallons a day, which is almost enough to fill 650 Olympic-sized swimming pools. And this demand could double by 2060.

“While the government takes steps to ensure water is easily available and affordable, **we can also help by adopting water-saving habits.**”

Meanwhile, climate change has made water supply a challenge. So while the government takes steps to ensure water is easily available and affordable, we can also help by adopting water-saving habits.

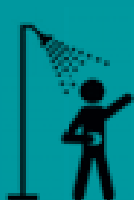
An Ang Mo Kio-Hougang resident, Madam Leow, for one, is doing her part. The 74-year-old housewife believes that every bit counts, saying: “When I and my family brush our teeth, we use a mug to hold the water.”

THREE GOOD HABITS to SAVE WATER



01 **SAVE**
45 litres

Keep your showers to five minutes and turn off the tap while soaping up



X 10 minutes
90 litres

✓ 5 minutes
45 litres

02 **SAVE**
28 litres

Wash vegetables or dishes in a filled sink and not under a running tap



X Under a running tap
40 litres

✓ In a filled sink
or container
12 litres



03 **SAVE**
11.5 litres

Use a mug when brushing your teeth



X Under a running tap
for two minutes
12 litres

✓ Using a mug
0.5 litres



滴水皆珍贵

我们可能很难想象没有自来水的日子该怎么过，但是如果我们不节约用水，总有一天水会被消耗殆尽。

新加坡主要靠进口水、收集雨水、淡化海水和新生水，来确保水的供应充足。可是，管理用水，与水供同样重要。根据公用事业局的统计，新加坡目前每天的用水量约为4亿3000万加仑，足以填满650个奥运游泳池。到了2060年，用水需求料增长一倍。

此外，全球暖化也严重影响水供应的稳定。因此，我们不能只靠政府采取措施来解决水资源的问题，我们每个人都应该从培养省水的好习惯做起，为水资源的可持续性出一分力。

住在宏茂桥一后港的廖女士（74岁）认为，每个小小的举动都能为节省用水带来贡献。她说：“我们一家人都用漱口杯盛水刷牙。”除了廖女士提供的方法外，装取适量的水洗碗洗菜、把洗澡的时间控制在五分钟内，及抹肥皂时先把水龙头关掉，都是你我在日常生活中就可以做到的事。

Setiap titis berharga

Sukar untuk dibayangkan menjalani kehidupan tanpa adanya air yang mengalir tetapi paip air di rumah kita mungkin akan kekeringan suatu hari nanti jika kita tidak menjimat air.

Singapura punya bekalan air yang utuh menerusi bekalan import, tadahan air hujan di kolam air, memproses air hujan dan mengitar semula air.

Bagaimanapun, menguruskan permintaan air adalah penting.

Menurut Lembaga Perbekalan Awam (PUB), keperluan air di Singapura adalah sekitar 430 juta gellen sehari, hampir cukup untuk mengisi 650 kolam renang bersaiz Olimpik. Permintaan ini akan berganda menjelang 2060.

Sementara itu, perubahan iklim telah menyebabkan bekalan air menjadi satu yang mencabar. Jadi sedang pemerintah mengambil langkah perlu dalam memastikan air boleh terus didapati dan dimampui, kita boleh menjadikan usaha menjimat air satu amalan.

Seorang penduduk Ang Mo Kio-Hougang, Puan Leow, memainkan peranannya. Suri rumah berusia 74 tahun itu percaya setiap titis air itu berharga, dan berkata: “Semasa saya dan keluarga memberus gigi, kami menggunakan cawan untuk berkumur air.” Selain daripada panduan yang diberikan oleh Puan Leow, membasuh sayuran atau pinggan mangkuk di sinki yang dipenuhi air, menggunakan air tidak lebih semasa mandi dan menutup paip ketika bersabun merupakan perkara yang kita boleh lakukan seharian untuk menjimat air.

ஒவ்வொரு துளியும் முக்கியம்

குழாய் நீர் இல்லாத வாழ்க்கையை நம்மால் கற்பனை செய்துக்கூட பார்க்க முடியாது. ஆனால், நாம் தண்ணீரைச் சிக்கனமாகப் பயன்படுத்தாவிட்டால், என்றாவது ஒரு நாள் நமது குழாய்களில் தண்ணீர் வற்றிப் போகக்கூடும்.

தண்ணீரை இறக்குமதி செய்தும், நீர்த்தேக்கங்களில் மழைநீரைச் சேகரித்தும், கடல்நீரைக் குடிநீராகச் சுத்திகரித்தும், தண்ணீரை மறுபயனீடு செய்தும் திடமான தண்ணீர் விநியோகத்தைச் சிங்கப்பூர் நிலைநாட்டுகிறது.

ஆனால், தண்ணீர் விநியோகத்தை நிலைநாட்டுவதைப் போலவே தண்ணீருக்கான தேவையைக் கட்டுப்படுத்துவதும் முக்கியம்.

சிங்கப்பூரில் தற்போது தினமும் சுமார் 430 மில்லியன் கேலன் தண்ணீர் தேவைப்படுவதாகப் பொதுப் பயனீட்டுக் கழகம் கூறுகிறது. இது 650 ஒலிம்பிக் அளவிலான நீச்சல் குளங்களை நிரப்புவதற்குப் போதுமானது. தண்ணீருக்கான இந்தத் தேவை 2060-ம் ஆண்டுக்குள் இருமடங்காகிவிடக்கூடும்.

இதற்கிடையே, பருவநிலை மாற்றம் தண்ணீர் விநியோகத்திற்குச் சவாலாக எழுந்துள்ளது. எனவே, கட்டுப்படியாகும் விலையில் தண்ணீர் எளிதில் கிடைப்பதை உறுதிப்படுத்த அரசாங்கம் முயற்சி எடுக்கும் அதே வேளையில், தண்ணீரைச் சேமிக்கும் பழக்கங்களைக் கடைப்பிடித்து நாமும் உதவலாம்.

அங் மோ கியோ - ஹவ்காங் குடியிருப்பாளரான திருவாட்டி லியாவ் தனது பங்கைச் செய்கிறார். ஒவ்வொரு துளியும் முக்கியம் என நம்பும் இந்த 74 வயது இல்லத்தரசி, “நானும் என் குடும்பத்தினரும் பல் துலக்கும்போது குவளையில் தண்ணீர் பிடித்து பயன்படுத்துவோம்” என்று கூறினார். திருவாட்டி லியாவின் இந்தக் குறிப்போடு, நமது அன்றாட வாழ்க்கையில் நாம் இன்னும் பற்பல வழிகளில் தண்ணீரைச் சேமிக்கலாம். தொடடியில் தண்ணீர் நிரப்பி காய்கறிகளை அல்லது பாத்திரங்களைக் கழுவுலாம், ஐந்து நிமிடங்களுக்குள் குளித்து முடிக்கலாம், சவர்க்காரம் போடும்போது குழாயை அடைத்து வைக்கலாம்.



Private estate gets a boost

Private estates have not been forgotten when it comes to estate upgrading – they are covered under the government's Estate Upgrading Programme (EUP).

Surveys and dialogues with residents help to determine the upgrading works needed, which are then carried out together with routine improvement works.

This time round, work was done at Yio Chu Kang Gardens, covering up roadside drains which used to be open, and widening the pavements. These were completed by February.

Covering the drains makes the estate look more pleasant and keeps things safer for residents, while widened pavements provide more walking space, so residents need not walk on the roads.

Says resident Cathy Ho, 57: "I am happy with the covered drains because the neighbourhood is now cleaner. There is no longer a stench when you walk past the drains."

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Cathy Ho, 57,
Yio Chu Kang Gardens resident



It's playtime!

No one is more happy than the kids to see upgraded children's playgrounds. These playgrounds are fun for young residents aged between five and 12 years old, and they also encourage family bonding when parents take their kids down to play.

Says Teo Peng Lee, 10, on the playground at Block 624 Hougang Avenue 8: "I like this playground because it has a slide which is like a space shuttle."



Recently upgraded children's playgrounds include

- near Block 406C Fernvale Road
- near Block 407B Fernvale Road
- at N4 Park near Block 459 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 10
- between Blocks 205 and 206 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 1
- at Block 624 Hougang Avenue 8
- at Block 912 Hougang Street 91

WHAT'S COMING UP IN APRIL/MAY

ANG MO KIO-HOUGANG

- Construction of adults' fitness corner at Block 922 Hougang Street 91
- Upgrading of adults' fitness corner at Block 624 Hougang Avenue 8 and Block 912 Hougang Street 91

CHENG SAN-SELETAR

- Construction of low and high linkways connecting drop-off porch between Blocks 504 and 506 to drop-off porch between Blocks 505 and 507 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 8
- Construction of linkway and drop-off porch at Block 449 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 10
- Replacement of lit block directional signages near Block 439 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 10, Blocks 422 to 596D Ang Mo Kio Avenues 3, 5, 8, 10 and Street 52

SENGKANG WEST

- Construction of low and high covered linkways from Block 435C to Block 432B Fernvale Road
- Construction of low covered linkway from Block 440C to Block 438B Fernvale Link/Sengkang West Avenue, from communal hall at Block 440D to Block 439C Fernvale Link/Sengkang West Avenue
- Upgrading of low and high covered linkways from Block 438A Sengkang West Avenue to Block 436B Fernvale Road

TECK GHEE

- Construction of awning at Block 344 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 3
- Upgrading of elderly fitness corner at Block 305 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 1, between Blocks 330 and 331 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 1 and Blocks 413 and 414 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 10
- Repair and redecoration works at Blocks 461 to 470 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 10





Ready for emergencies

What : Teck Ghee Emergency Preparedness Day 2017

Where : Block 402 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 10

When : 19 March 2017

A simulated terrorist attack took place in front of a market and food centre at this event, during which, residents learnt what they can do during a terrorist attack.

The event highlighted that everyone has a part to play in being prepared, even as Singapore's security agencies work hard to stop terrorist attacks.

There were also booths at the event which taught residents to use fire extinguishers as well as techniques for doing cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and using the automated external defibrillator (AED). Residents were also given other tips on how to safeguard lives.

“The stronger our kampung spirit, the less able the terrorists will be to break us.”

Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong
at Teck Ghee Emergency Preparedness Day 2017

One resident who found the tips handy was 42-year-old Peter Lam. The software engineer said: “I won't feel lost if an emergency happens, and I hope that I can help others in need.”

The Emergency Preparedness Day is part of SGSecure's efforts to reach out to neighbourhoods.



WE CAN STAY STRONG TOGETHER

Singaporeans can stay alert to threats and stand united as one to prevent terrorists from breaking us. Three simple ways to strengthen our kampung spirit:



Get to know your
neighbours better



Help your
neighbours



Be understanding and
respectful to one another

Making merry in Fernvale

What : Welcome Parties for Fernvale Lea and Fernvale Rivergrove

Where : Blocks 467 and 470D Fernvale Link

When : 12 March 2017



Two welcome parties were held for the residents of Fernvale Lea and Fernvale Rivergrove, a young precinct that is less than two years old. The Built-To-Order (BTO) flats there were completed during the second half of 2015.

The welcome parties allowed the residents to meet one another and make friends with their new neighbours. They also had fun with games and activities like basketball and colouring, and learnt more about community events offered by Fernvale Community Club.

“I moved in about seven months ago and feel this is a very safe neighbourhood. There is easy access to public transport as the LRT station is within walking distance.”

Nor Halil bin Hassan, 37,
resident of Fernvale Lea

“The plants in the neighbourhood make this a very pretty place to live in. But I wish there could be a swing in the playground.”

Thivyadarshini d/o Jaya Gopi, nine,
resident of Fernvale Rivergrove



Bonding over arts and crafts

What : Block Party

Where : Block 932B Hougang Avenue 9

When : 11 March 2017

Residents of Hougang Crimson had a blast at the party organised by Ang Mo Kio-Hougang Zone 8 Residents' Committee. Besides getting to meet their neighbours and make friends, they also had fun with arts and crafts, trying their hand at painting and making balloon sculptures.



Bringing fun, fitness and creativity

What : RC Open House

Where : Block 573 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 3


When : 4 March 2017



This event saw adults and kids enjoying themselves, from taking part in Pokemon clay making to watching movie screenings. Held by Cheng San Zone C Residents' Committee, the open house aimed to introduce the RC's courses and to encourage residents to take part in community activities designed for them.

Be it fun-filled ukulele, qigong or abacus mental arithmetic classes, you will find them at the RC.



Follow  [chengsanzonec](https://www.facebook.com/chengsanzonec) to get updates on its courses and events.

At the public consultation, Sengkang South residents were invited to give their views on the proposed enhancements for Blocks 567 Hougang Street 51 to 580 Hougang Avenue 4 and 681 to 684 Hougang Avenue 8 under the NRP. Their feedback will be useful in making the neighbourhood a better place to live in.

Facelifts planned for Sengkang South

What : Public Consultation for Neighbourhood Renewal Programme (NRP)

Where : Badminton court between Blocks 572 and 575 Hougang Street 51

When : 11 February 2017



3G playground and fitness corners at Block 571 Hougang Street 51

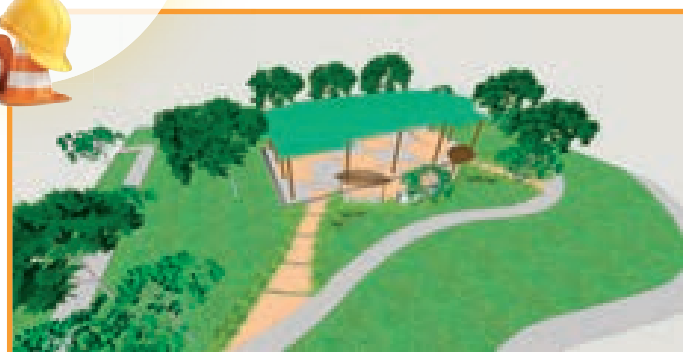


New staircase and barrier-free access between Blocks 577 and 578 Hougang Avenue 4

MISSED THE EVENT?
Here are some artist's impression of the proposed enhancements



High and low linkways between Blocks 574 and 575 Hougang Street 51



Precinct pavilion with BBQ pit area at Block 567 Hougang Street 51

WHAT RESIDENTS SAY

"I look forward to taking my grandchildren to the 3G playground when it is completed."

Mdm Soo Yuk Lan, 75

"Covered linkways to shelter residents from one block to another means we need not worry when it rains. Many of us will welcome this enhancement."

Mr James Koh, 59

"The proposed precinct pavilion will be a good place to hold community events because it will be sheltered and well-ventilated."

Mr Mohd Rashid, 59

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Hougang Street 51/52/61 and Buangkok Green)

Meet-the-people sessions

Ang Mo Kio-Hougang 宏茂桥—后港 Mr Darryl David 杰乐先生

Block 632 Hougang Avenue 8,
#01-28, S(530632)
Time: 8pm - 9:30pm,
every Thursday
Tel: 6282 6567



Sengkang South 盛港南 Mr Gan Thiam Poh 颜添宝先生

Block 443 Fernvale Road,
#01-411, S(790443)
Time: 8pm - 9:30pm, every first
and third Friday of the month
Tel: 6636 6816



Cheng San-Seletar 静山—实里达 Mr Ang Hin Kee 洪鼎基先生

Block 533 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 5,
#01-4100, S(560533)
Time: 8pm - 9:30pm,
every Thursday
Tel: 6454 0951



Block 535 Hougang Street 52, #01-18, S(530535)
Time: 8pm - 9:30pm,
every second, fourth and fifth Friday of the month
Tel: 6386 4055

Sengkang West 盛港西 Dr Lam Pin Min 蓝彬明医生

Block 303A Anchorvale Link,
#01-81, S(541303)
Time: 8pm - 9:30pm, every Tuesday
Tel: 6312 2961



Jalan Kayu 惹兰加由 Dr Intan Azura Mokhtar 殷丹博士

Block 556 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 10,
#01-1902, S(560556)
Time: 8pm - 9:30pm,
every first Thursday of the month
Tel: 6456 9714



Block 987B Buangkok Green, #01-33, S(532987)
Time: 8pm - 9:30pm,
every last Thursday of the month
Tel: 6444 0810

Block 522 Serangoon North Avenue 4,
#01-154, S(550522)
Time: 8pm - 9:30pm,
other Thursdays of the month
Tel: 6483 4341

Teck Ghee 德义 Mr Lee Hsien Loong 李显龙先生

Block 322 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 3,
#01-1928, S(560322)
Time: 8pm - 9:30pm, every Wednesday
Tel: 6552 6055



Yio Chu Kang 杨厝港 Dr Koh Poh Koon 许宝琨医生

Block 644 Ang Mo Kio Avenue 4,
#01-850, S(560644)
Time: 8pm - 9:30pm, every Thursday
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Spot ten differences between these two pictures and circle them in Picture B. There are five \$30 vouchers to be won. Results and the answer will be announced in the next issue of *Our Home*.



Picture A



Picture B

Where: Opposite Ci Yuan Community Club **What:** Some HDB blocks at Ang Mo Kio-Hougang have colourful murals featuring the Singapore flag, racial harmony, attap houses and public housing. Don't miss these interesting murals the next time you stroll around the neighbourhood.

Name: _____ NRIC: _____ Contact number: _____

Address: _____

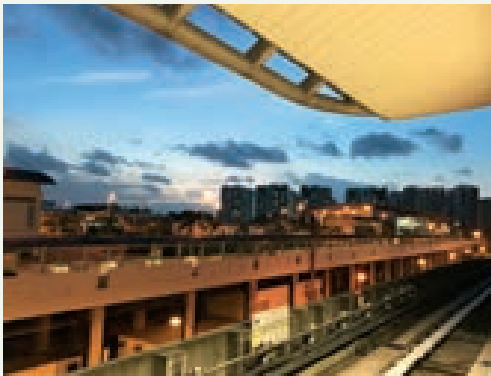
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Please send your entries no later than **15 May 2017** to:
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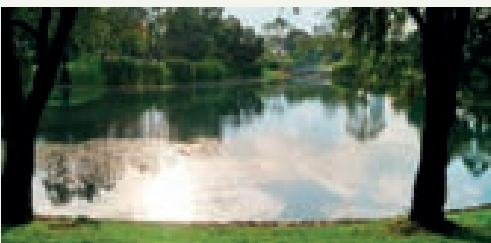
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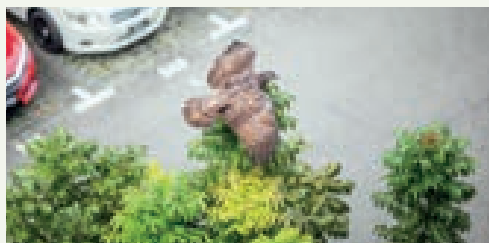
As the day ends, put your worries to rest.
LIDYA LIMANTARA



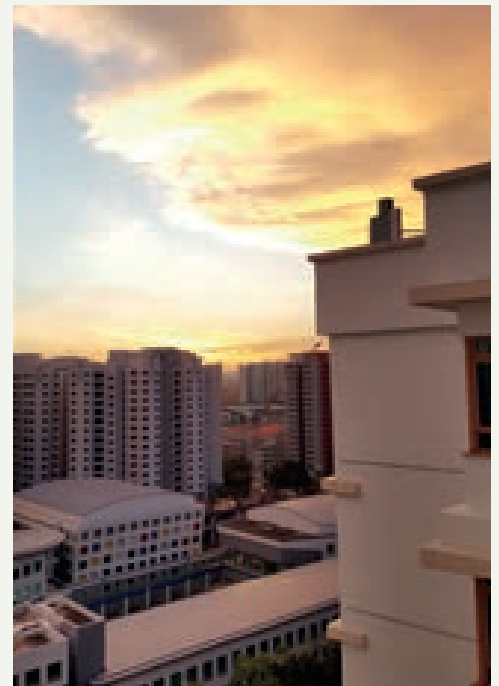
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GRACE CHUAH



Reflection in the pond at the park.
AVERLYN LAI



An eagle, a rare sighting, visits Yio Chu Kang Heights.
SEOW SWEI MENG



Taking in the beautiful sunset from our common corridor at Anchorvale.
RICHARD LIM