

## CHAPTER 11

### THE POLL FOR THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE ELECTION

11.1 The polling hours for the main polling station and the DPS set up in Happy Valley Police Station ran from 9:00 am to 11:30 am. The polling hours for the polling station at Penny's Bay Community Isolation Facility ran from 9:00 am to 10:30 am.

11.2 For the ease of management and as a security control measure, the areas outside the main polling station and the CCS-cum-MC were divided into 16 zones, each under the charge of one designated venue security team comprising government officers, police officers and security guards of the HKCEC. Members of the venue security teams were equipped with intercom devices to facilitate their communication across the zones, so that any potential or actual incidents could be spotted early and handled efficiently.

11.3 EC members who forgot to bring their name badges (please see paragraph 8.11 for admission arrangement to the main polling station) would be accompanied by the ushering and marshalling team to the name badge replacement counters and be issued with new ones upon verification of their identities. Their original name badges would be immediately invalidated so as to prevent any person from reusing the original badges. This arrangement identified EC members effectively for their smooth entry to the main polling station.

11.4 The voter turnout rate of this election was extremely high. At 10:00 am, the turnout rate was 59.62% (i.e. 871 EC members had voted). At 11:00 am, the figure increased to 96.24% (i.e. 1 406 EC members had voted).

These figures were released for public reference shortly after the said cut-off time. By the close of poll at 11:30 am, a total of 1 428 EC members out of the total number of 1 461 EC members had cast their votes, representing 97.74% of the electorate.