

HKUPOP Student Research Project

Project DC08 Wong Tai Sin District Council Tsz Wan West Constituency

Election Day Fieldwork Report Form (Group 2)

1. Name of student(s), group leader first:

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2. Details of Field trip:

Date and Time of visit: At 4pm-7pm on 30th November, 2008

Venue: Tsz Wan West Constituency

Location: polling station, Tsz Wan Shan Center, parks in the estate

3. Brief descriptions or narrations of the visit.

Firstly, our group arrived the polling station. Then, we walked through the whole estate including parks and different buildings. We stayed in the park around 1 hour. Later, we divided in two groups; one group stayed outside the polling station and observed the other pollsters. Another group talked to the voters in the parks.

4. Main purpose of Field trip:

Please record the main purpose of your field trip by ticking on one or more of the following objectives:

- To record and analyze the content of campaign leaflets, posters, banners etc.
- To observe campaign activities, like forums, door-to-door visits, petitions, on-street broadcast, etc.
- To take pictures, or collect campaign materials for scanning.

- To interview electors and/ or other ordinary residents.
- To interview candidates and/ or their campaign workers.
- To observe the pollsters work

5. Recording the basic figures – like how many posters and where, how many people attended the forum during different time period...etc.

There're so many posters of candidates No.1 & No.2 on the streets and stores; they even set up booths. Not many leaflets of candidates No.3 can we see in the estate, sometimes we may only get it from her supporters.

Also, in the observation period, we found that candidates No.1 & No.2 have LEGCO member's support. For the DAB side we saw Chan Kam Lam, IP Kwok Him, Lau Kong Wah, Wong Kwok Hing and Tam Yiu Chung. For the Democratic Party, we saw To Kun Sun and Wong Sing Chi.

Moreover, we found that the campaign workers of candidates No.1 & No.2 had a small conflict about their promotion. There were three policemen to solve the problem.

However, when we stayed in the park, we found that many elderly were promoting on the street for candidate No. 2 as the park is prohibited for promotion.

At the same time, our group saw two interesting things. First, Quby saw a helper of candidates No.2 promoting his party. Then, 1 hour later, she saw the same person was promoting for candidate No.3. The second thing is that after interviewing the voters, one pollster she talked to the helpers of the candidate No. 2 about this issue. We have a question of why the pollster knows the candidate's helpers.

Description of the findings – could be in the form simple narrations, or in the form of questions and answers.

I found that many elderly would support candidate No.2 as we talked to two of them. Also, many helpers of the candidate No.2 were elderly. However, some of the young family members would support candidate No.1'.

6. Conclusions drawn from your observations.

I found that more citizens talk about the election on the 30/11 than before; even we heard one or two talking about it on the day before (29/11). Also, the voting atmosphere on the Election Day was better than before as many people had known the three candidates.