COMMENDATIONS AND COMPLIMENTS 嘉許與感謝

The Council is always greatly encouraged by the hundreds of messages of support it receives each year from the public, readers of CHOICE Magazine, and from its social media followers, expressing thanks for the Council's consumer advice or help in resolving complaints. Apart from providing assurance that the Council is meeting public expectations, these commendations and compliments serve a valuable role in boosting staff's morale and pride in their mission of protecting and empowering Hong Kong consumers.

本會每年均收到數以百計來自市民、《選擇》月刊讀者和社交平台追隨者的嘉許與感謝函、卡片與電郵,表揚本會 為消費者提供實用的建議或協助調停投訴。本會對大眾的嘉許與感謝珍而重之,每一字讚許均反映和肯定本會工 作的重要性,同時有助鼓勵士氣,使員工對參與維護消費權益及提升全港消費者自我保護能力的使命倍感自豪。

The Ombudsman's Awards 2021

The Council was honoured for its staff to receive the Ombudsman's Awards in 2021, for the ninth consecutive year. Ms Evelyn NGAN Chui-shan and Mr Manson LI Ka-ming, both Complaints & Advice Officers, were presented with the Award this year in recognition of their exceptional performance in customer service and handling consumer complaints.

2021年申訴專員嘉許獎

年內,本會再次有職員獲得申訴專員嘉許獎。投訴及諮詢主任顏 翠珊女士及李家銘先生獲頒獎項,以表揚其處理客戶服務及消費 投訴的卓越表現。能連續9年有員工獲頒此獎,本會與有榮焉。

Jockey Club Age-friendly City Partnership Scheme 2020

The Council received the Age-friendly Collaborator Award of the subject scheme¹⁹ at the Age-friendly City International Conference cum City Partnership Scheme Award Presentation Ceremony in June 2021, in recognition of its contribution to consumer education for senior citizens over the years.

賽馬會齡活城市「全城・長者友善」計劃 2020

本會於 2021 年 6 月在賽馬會齡活城市國際研討會暨「全城· 長者友善」計劃¹⁹ 嘉許禮上,獲頒「齡活協作大獎」,以表揚其 多年來對年長消費者教育的貢獻。







Visit www.jcafc.hk/en/Events/Jockey-Club-Age-Friendly-City-Partnership-Scheme-2020.html or scan the QR code for details of the scheme. 計劃詳情,請瀏覽www.jcafc.hk/tc/Events/Jockey-Club-Age-Friendly-City-Partnership-Scheme-2020.html,或掃瞄二維碼。

Words of Thanks

The Council is grateful for the positive feedback from consumers and readers of CHOICE Magazine in recognition of the professionalism of our staff. Positive sentiment from the audience of various social media channels is also highly appreciated. Selected examples are shown below:

(Note: The following messages from complainants have been edited to enhance readability and comprehension)

嘉許函

本會感謝消費者及《選擇》月刊讀者對本會員工的 專業服務的支持,以及市民大眾在各個社交媒體 平台上對本會的正面評語。嘉許函節錄如下:

(注意:以下訊息均來自向本會求助的投訴人,文字經過 編纂以方便閱讀和理解)

Case Highlight 個案重點

The complainant visited a beauty centre to try out a \$130 trial facial treatment promoted online. Once there, however, she was told that her skin condition was unsuitable for the trial treatment and was recommended another package by the staff. During one of the later treatment sessions, a few staff members and the beautician commented badly on her skin condition and she was coerced to sign a new service contract worth \$50,400. Being unsuccessful with her subsequent request to cancel the contract, she sought help from the Council.

Upon review of the CCTV footage of the sales process, the complainant believed that some scenes were covered intentionally to the trader's advantage and no settlement could be reached. She thus filed a CLAF application, and then a claim with the Small Claims Tribunal (SCT). With the guidance of the Council's Complaints Officer Ms Hon, and Mr Cheng from the Legal Affairs Division, a favourable out-of-court settlement was reached just before the SCT hearing commenced and she got a refund of around \$50,000 from the beauty centre.

投訴人光顧一間美容中心[,]欲試做一款在網上推廣 價為\$130的面部療程。到達美容中心後,職員卻告 知她的皮膚狀況不適合進行該療程,並推薦了另一 個套餐。在其後的一次療程時,數名職員和美容師接 連批評她的皮膚狀況欠佳,她被迫簽訂了一份價值 \$50,400的新服務合約。她其後要求取消合約但不成 功,因此向消委會求助。

在查看銷售過程的閉路電視錄像後[,]投訴人認 為某些片段被蓄意隱藏[,]以求對商戶有利[,]因 而無法達成和解。因此,她向消費者訴訟基金 申請法律協助,然後向小額錢債審裁處提出申 索。在消委會投訴主任韓女士和法律事務部鄭 先生的指導下,投訴人與美容中心於小額錢債 審裁處聆訊開始前達成了庭外和解,獲美容中 心退款約 \$50,000。

Thank you very much for all your help and support throughout the process of mediating the complaint between me and the beauty centre. I don't think I could go this far if it wasn't for you, always guiding me through all the steps and telling me patiently what I could do. I could be helpless and hopeless, but because of you, I could find the light in the dark. Thank you so much for all your encouragement!

You made me stand for what's right! I'd also like to thank Mr Cheng from Consumer Legal Action Fund, who explained clearly and patiently to me about the Fund. He told me all the necessary procedures so that I could consider every dispute resolution — including the Small Claims Tribunal. I took his advice and made a claim at the Tribunal myself in late September. Fortunately, it was successful. The beauty centre and I reached an out-of-court settlement.

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牵人曾於2019年向 貴會求助, 就■■旅遊有限公司的服務不 滿作投訴,貴會 蘇光生 就此 事奔波長達一年多,最近終於圖 滿解決。牵人對蘇先生鍥而不捨 酌精神和專業表現,印象深刻。 特函深表謝悅!

Case Highlight 個案重點

The complainant, who represented a group of tour members who paid \$29,800 each to join an 8-day tour to lceland, lodged a complaint with the Council after the trip and requested a partial refund for the poor arrangement. As the original flight was re-scheduled and the whole tour was shortened, they could not visit the glacier and missed the aurora tour which were the major attractions of the tour.

Despite the effort made by the Council's Senior Complaints Officer Mr So, the travel agent refused to settle the matter with the complainant. Mr So then advised the complainant to file a claim with the SCT and guided them through the whole process that lasted for more than a year. Finally, the complainant and other tour members reached a settlement with the travel agent in the SCT. 投訴人代表一群參加了冰島旅行團的團友, 於行程結束後向消委會提出投訴,因旅行 社安排不當而要求部分退款。團友每人支付 \$29,800費用,參加為期8天的冰島遊,由 於原定航班改期,整個行程縮短,令團友錯 過了重點行程,包括參觀冰川及極光之旅。

儘管本會高級投訴主任蘇先生竭力調解,旅 行社仍拒絕與投訴人尋求解決方案。蘇先 生隨後建議投訴人向小額錢債審裁處提出 申索,並指導他們完成整個長達一年多的程 序。投訴人和其他團友最終透過小額錢債審 裁處與旅行社達成和解。



Dear Mr Wong,

My case has been settled with by exchanging my CPAP device in question for a brand new CPAP of another brand free of charge.

Your hard work in following up with my case is highly appreciated. My heartfelt gratitude to you for your kind assistance.

Case Highlight 個案重點

The complainant, who is suffering from sleep apnea, purchased a ventilator from an authorised dealer in October 2020 for \$11,980. However, he found the ventilator uncomfortable during use and manifested the symptoms of headache and stuffy nose, though he had followed the instructions advised by the dealer.

In June 2021, the complainant was shocked to learn about the global recall of the ventilators due to potential health risk. He later confirmed that the model which he had been using for a few months was one of the models on the recall list. Although the dealer had promised him to replace the sound-proof foam in August 2021, the replacement was deferred repeatedly. After rounds of conciliation for 4 months, the Council's Complaints Officer Mr Wong successfully urged the dealer to replace a new ventilator for the complainant. 患有睡眠窒息症的投訴人於 2020 年 10 月從授權經銷商處以 \$11,980 購 買了一台呼吸機。不過,雖然他已經 按照經銷商的操作指示,但他在使 用呼吸機時卻感到不舒適,並出現了 頭痛和鼻塞的徵狀。

2021年6月,投訴人得知呼吸機因 潛在健康風險而進行全球回收,感 到大為震驚。他後來證實,他使用了 數個月的型號正是回收名單上的型 號之一。儘管經銷商曾向投訴人承諾 會在2021年8月更換隔音泡棉,但 卻一再推遲。經過4個月間的多番 調停,本會投訴主任黃先生成功敦 促經銷商為投訴人更換新的呼吸機。

