

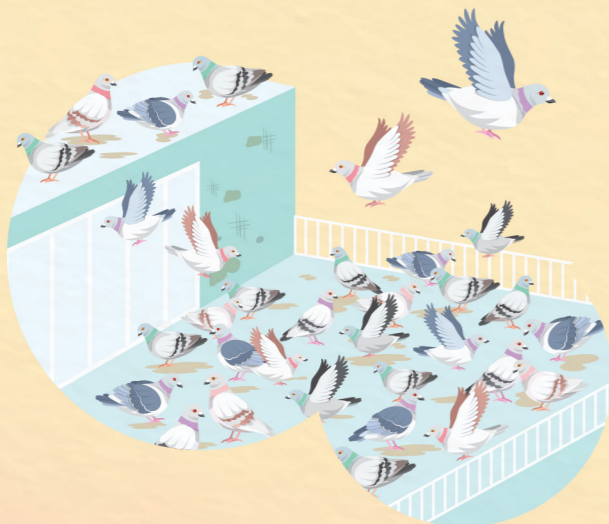
# 餵飼活動衍生的問題

## —— 環境衛生



### 1. 禽流感風險

禽流感屬於人畜共同感染的甲型流感。人類可經由接觸帶有禽流感病毒的禽鳥或其糞便而受感染。



### 2. 弄污建築物

野鴿常常在建築物上築巢棲息，牠們聚集的地方往往會發現有很多鳥糞，影響環境衛生。



### 3. 吸引蟲鼠

餵飼所留下的食物餘渣有機會吸引蟲鼠(如老鼠及蟑螂)。

唔好  
餵我喇

我可以自己  
搵食㗎



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## 野鴿在市區聚集的原因

野鴿滋擾是世界各地許多城市常見的問題。野鴿在市區聚集，部分基於牠們群居的特性，但更主要的因素是在於**市民的餵飼**。牠們不怕人而且相當雜食，幾乎所有人為提供的食品如米飯、麵包、壽司甚至是快餐食品等，野鴿都會進食。

野鴿因人為  
餵飼被吸引  
到市區聚集

## 餵飼活動衍生的問題

### —— 動物福利



#### 1. 過重或營養失衡

由於市民餵食過多或餵飼的食物大多不適合野鴿，容易導致野鴿過重或營養失衡。



#### 2. 過度擠迫增加傳染病風險

餵飼活動會導致野鴿過度繁殖。當野鴿數目增加，傳染病及寄生蟲於族群中傳播的風險亦很大機會增加。



#### 3. 失去覓食本能

市民餵食會改變野鴿的飲食習性，野鴿因不用再覓食而慢慢失去其覓食本能。



#### 4. 讓鴿羣置身危險

由於人們將餵飼的食物撒在地上，令野鴿習慣在路面(例如：馬路)上徘徊或進食，令野鴿置身危險當中。

## Problems Caused by Feeding Activities

### — Environmental Hygiene

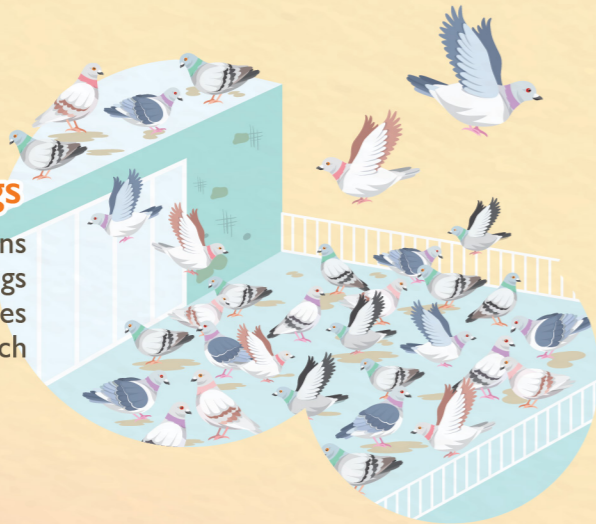
#### 1. Risk of Avian Influenza

Avian Influenza, a type of influenza A, is a zoonotic disease transmissible to humans through contact with infected birds or their droppings.



#### 2. Fouling of Buildings

Buildings are where feral pigeons nest and roost. Bird droppings could be easily found at places where they congregate, which affect environmental hygiene.



#### 3. Attracting Pests

Food residue may attract pests (e.g. rats and cockroaches).



Don't Feed  
Feral Pigeons

I can find  
my own food  
in nature



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## Reasons why Feral Pigeons Congregate in Urban Areas

Feral pigeon nuisance is a common problem in many cities around the world. Feral pigeons congregate in urban areas partly because of their social behaviour, but the most important reason is the **feeding activities by the public**. They are not afraid of people and consume almost any kind of food that human offers e.g. rice, bread, sushi or even fast food.

feral pigeons are attracted and congregated in urban area due to feeding activities



## Problems Caused by Feeding Activities

### Animal Welfare

#### 1. Overweight or Nutritional Imbalance

Over feeding by the public will easily cause feral pigeons to become overweight. In addition, as most of the food residues are not suitable for feral pigeons, it may cause nutritional imbalance.



#### 2. Overcrowding Increases the Risk of Disease Transmission

Feeding activities result in overbreeding of feral pigeons. When there is overpopulation, the risk of disease and parasite transmission among the pigeon population may increase.



#### 3. Loss of Foraging Instinct

Feeding activities will change the dietary habits of feral pigeons. They will gradually lose their foraging instinct as they have no need to forage for food.



#### 4. Put Them in Danger

Feeders usually spread the food residue on the ground, therefore feral pigeons get used to wandering or eating on the ground (for example, on the road). This puts them in danger.

