

LIANG ENG HWA, 51

Education

Mr Liang Eng Hwa, 51, studied in Bukit Panjang English School and Anderson Secondary School. He then pursued a Diploma in Civil Engineering at Singapore Polytechnic. Having completed his National Service, he furthered his studies at the University of Melbourne, where he obtained his Bachelors of Commerce (First Class Honours). At University, he was also awarded the National Australia Bank Scholarship and the Price Waterhouse Book Prize.

Career & NS

Mr Liang started his banking career with the then Development Bank of Singapore, starting as a trainee officer and working his way up to assume his current role of Managing Director of DBS' Institutional Banking Group . He also serves as a board member of the Urban Redevelopment Authority.

During his National Service, Mr Liang was in the Combat Engineer vocation. He served his last appointment as a Battalion Commander of an engineer battalion (NS rank of Major).

Politics and Community

Mr Liang joined the grassroots movement in 1998. Besides serving the community at the local level, he also served on various national committees. These include the Supervisory Panel of the then Feedback Unit which engaged stakeholders on feedback on government policies and services; and the Remaking Singapore Committee (Beyond Condo Subcommittee) which came up with recommendations to enhance Singaporeans' rootedness to the country. For his service and dedication to grassroots work, he was conferred the PAP Youth Service Medal and the Pingat Bakti Masyarakat (Public Service Medal) in 2005.

Mr Liang was first elected as Member of Parliament in 2006. As one of the members of the Holland-Bukit Timah GRC team, he looks after the Zhenghua division. He is also Chairman of the Government Parliamentary Committee for Finance, Trade and Industry and a member of the PAP Central Executive Committee.

In Parliament, Mr Liang has often spoken up on issues such as improving economic resilience, developing home-bred industry champions and advocating sustainable and inclusive growth over the long term. He has also spoken up on bread and butter issues such as housing, cost of living and transport. In 2013, he moved the amendment to change the wordings of the Population White Paper. At the local level, Mr Liang has actively pushed for better transport in Zhenghua and across Bukit Panjang town, including advocating the early construction of the Downtown Line MRT in 2007, new bus services and more frequent bus trips, upgrading of the BP LRT and an additional third underpass to link BP MRT Station to the Senja area. He was also a staunch advocate for the building of new hawker centres and a polyclinic in Bukit Panjang.

Among his other roles, Mr Liang also serves as a member of the Economic Strategies Committee, Land Sub-Committee and Vice Chairman of the Holland-Bukit Panjang Town Council.

Personal

Mr Liang lives with his parents, his wife and 3 children. Besides enjoying spending precious time with his family, he is an avid musician who plays the drums and saxophone.