

Panel on Environmental Affairs

**List of outstanding items for discussion
(position as at 17 March 2008)**

**Proposed timing for
discussion**

1. Progress of implementation of the new nature conservation policy

April 2008
(The item was originally scheduled for discussion in March 2008)

The concern about the impact of the new nature conservation policy on landowners was raised at the meetings between LegCo Members and members of Heung Yee Kuk and Yuen Long DC on 25 January, 5 May 2005 and 31 October 2006 (LC Paper Nos. CB(1) 2327/04-05 and CB(1) 577/06-07) respectively. Hon LEE Wing-tat has also raised concern about the conservation of wetland along the West Rail (LC Paper No. CB(1) 844/06-07). Suggest inviting the Panel on Development to join the discussion.

2. Progress of measures to mitigate road traffic noise

April 2008

Members would like to be briefed on the progress of the “Draft Comprehensive Plan to Tackle Road Traffic Noise in Hong Kong” which was last discussed by the Panel at its meeting on 3 July 2006. Referrals have been received from the Tsuen Wan District Council (DC) on the traffic noise problem at Fairview Garden (LC Paper No. CB(1) 1173/06-07(01)); the Kowloon City DC on the retrofitting of noise barriers along the East Kowloon Corridor (LC Paper No. CB(1) 1173/06-07(03)); the Wong Tai Sin DC on the traffic noise at New Clearwater Bay Road near Choi Wan Estate (LC Paper No. CB(1) 1624/06-07(01)); the Kwun Tong DC on the problem of railway noise at MTR stations as well as traffic noise along Lei Yue Mun Road (LC Paper No. CB(1) 1624/06-07(02)) and the Sham Shui Po DC on the need to mitigate the impacts of traffic noise on residents, particularly along Lung Cheung Road and Ching Cheung Road (LC Paper No. CB(1) 2427/06-07(01)).

3. Cleaner Motor Vehicle Fuel

May 2008

(Suggest inviting the Transport Panel members to join the meeting since the proposal would affect the transport sector.)

Proposed timing for discussion

4. 4125DS – Tolo Harbour sewerage of unsewered areas

May 2008

Part upgrade of the sewerage item to Category A.

5. Policies on sustainable urban development and green buildings

May/June 2008

To follow up the motion on “Policies on sustainable urban development and green buildings” moved by Prof Hon Patrick LAU at the Council meeting on 23 May 2007.

6. 4329DS – Upgrading of the Pillar Point Sewage Treatment Works

June 2008

Full upgrade of the sewerage item to Category A.

7. 4332DS – Lam Tsuen Valley Sewerage

June 2008

Part upgrade of the sewerage item to Category A.

8. 4339DS – North District sewerage, stage 1 phase 2C and stage 2 phase 1

June 2008

Part upgrade of the sewerage item to Category A.

9. Reusing surplus public fill in reclamation projects in the Mainland

June 2008

Following the signing of the cooperation agreement between the Administration and the State Oceanic Administration in March 2004 which has provided a foundation for the accommodation of public fill in Mainland waters, members would like to follow up on the progress of the scheme, particularly the cost incurred from the delivery of the surplus public fill to the Mainland.

Proposed timing for discussion

- 10. Land contamination policy** To be confirmed
(Pending the outcome of the legal pursuits arising from the decommissioning of the Cheoy Lee Shipyard)
- 11. 4348DS – North District and Tolo Harbour sewerage, sewage treatment and disposal – regional sewerage works, part 1 – sewerage upgrade** To be confirmed
- Part upgrade of the sewerage item to Category A.
- 12. Developing environmental industries to create job opportunities** To be confirmed
- To follow up the motion on “Developing environmental industries to create job opportunities” moved by Hon KWONG Chi-kin at the Council meeting on 4 July 2007.
- 13. Government efforts in addressing climate change** To be confirmed
- To follow up the motion on “Responding to the problem of climate change” moved by Hon CHOY So-yuk at the Council meeting on 28 November 2007.
- 14. Establishing a geological park in the eastern part of the New Territories** To be confirmed
- To follow up the motion on “Establishing a geological park in the eastern part of the New Territories” moved by Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming at the Council meeting on 20 December 2007.
- 15. Progress of development of EcoPark** To be confirmed
- Referred by the Bills Committee on Product Eco-responsibility Bill. Concern was raised on the efficacy of the EcoPark in facilitating the recycling industry in Hong Kong given the low occupation rate.