Panel on Housing

List of outstanding items for discussion

(position as at 2 November 2007)

Proposed timing for discussion

1. Land supply for public housing development and problems encountered in proposed public housing development

Proposed by Mr CHAN Kam-lam at the meeting on 12 October 2006. He expressed concern about the opposition raised by certain District Councils to Housing Authority's proposed housing development programmes in their respective districts, which may have implications on the disposal of Housing Authority sites and pace of flat allocation under the Waiting List.

To be decided

The Administration has also proposed to brief members on the issues arising from securing sites for public housing development to meet long-term demands.

2. Resumption of the Home Ownership Scheme and the Tenants Purchase Scheme

Proposed by Mr WONG Kwok-hing. He is keen to follow up members' call at the meeting on 4 June 2007 for resumption of the above two housing schemes to maintain the mobility of PRH tenants and enable re-allocation of PRH flats so vacated to other needy families.

To be decided

3. New policy on one-person applicants for public rental housing (PRH)

Proposed by Mr Albert CHAN. He was concerned about the impact of the new policy on one-person PRH applicants and would like the Panel to follow up the issue. The Duty Roster Members (DRM) met representatives of the Society for Community Organization in May 2006 and February 2007 on the latter's concern about the quota and points system for non-elderly one-person implemented in 2005. Noting that the Administration had undertaken to review the scheme after one year of

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implementation, DRM referred the matter for the Panel's follow-up on the policy issues concerned.

The Housing Authority has reviewed the operation of the quota and points system for non-elderly one-person applicants and agreed to continue implementing the system on ground of its positive impact on safeguarding the rational allocation of public housing resources. The findings of the review are circulated to members vide LC Paper No. CB(1)2160/06-07(01) on 19 July 2007.

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