

Panel on Development

List of outstanding items for discussion
(Position as at 19 May 2010)

**Proposed timing for
discussion/Remarks**

1. Work of the Urban Renewal Authority

The Administration intends to brief members on the progress of the work of the Urban Renewal Authority and the plan for the next financial year. At the Panel meeting on 30 March 2010, members agreed that concerns raised by Mr WONG Kwok-hing (LC Paper No. CB(1)1266/09-10(01)) in relation to the Urban Renewal Authority's policy on property sales restrictions of its joint redevelopment projects should also be addressed.

June 2010

2. Law amendment proposal to the Lift and Escalator (Safety) Ordinance, Chapter 327

The Administration intends to report to members on the results of the public consultation conducted from 30 November 2009 to 28 February 2010 on the law amendment proposal to the Lift and Escalator (Safety) Ordinance, Chapter 327.

June 2010

The Panel discussed lift safety, its regulatory control and the legislative amendment proposal to the Lifts and Escalators (Safety) Ordinance at the meetings on 8 December 2008, 24 February 2009 and 27 October 2009, respectively.

3. Operation Building Bright -- progress and update

The Administration intends to brief members on the latest progress of and the funding proposal for Operation Building Bright, which is scheduled to be submitted to the Finance Committee on 9 July 2010 for approval.

June 2010

**Proposed timing for
discussion/Remarks**

The Administration reported the progress of the Operation Building Bright at the Panel meeting held on 26 January 2010.

4. Planning and Engineering Study on Development of Lok Ma Chau Loop -- Investigation

The Administration intends to seek members' views on the Preliminary Outline Development Plan in the Stage 1 Public Engagement.

July 2010

The Panel discussed the proposed planning and engineering study on development of Lok Ma Chau Loop on 24 February 2009.

5. Proposed amendments to Building (Standards of Sanitary Fitments, Plumbing, Drainage Works and Latrines) Regulations

The Administration intends to introduce to members the proposed amendments to the Building (Standards of Sanitary Fitments, Plumbing, Drainage Works and Latrines) Regulations, including the provision of female sanitary facilities. It intends to submit the subsidiary legislation in the second quarter of 2010.

July 2010

6. Seismic effects on buildings in Hong Kong

The Administration intends to introduce to members the recommendations of the Buildings Department's consultancy study on seismic effects on buildings in Hong Kong and the proposed way forward. The Administration intends to submit the subsidiary legislation in due course.

July 2010

7. Review of the functions of the Town Planning Board and related issues

At the meeting with Legislative Council Members on 29 November 2005, Heung Yee Kuk Councillors raised concern about the mechanism to check and balance the powers of the Town Planning Board.

To be decided
(Note)

**Proposed timing for
discussion/Remarks**

The relevant extract from the minutes of the meeting was circulated to members vide LC Paper No. CB(1)700/05-06 on 13 January 2006.

At the Panel meeting on 14 October 2008, Miss Tanya CHAN, Ms Cyd HO and Mr Abraham SHEK expressed views that issues related to the review of the functions of the Town Planning Board, town planning procedures, and secretariat support for the Town Planning Board should be discussed.

Note: The Administration has advised that review of the Town Planning Ordinance is not a priority of the Development Bureau and thus has not been factored into its current work plan.

8. Small House Policy

The subject was proposed by Mr CHAN Kam-lam at the meeting on 11 October 2007. A letter from the Chief Secretary for Administration in reply to the Public Accounts Committee (LC Paper No. CB(1)130/07-08(01)) providing information about the progress of the Small House Policy review was circulated to members on 25 October 2007.

To be decided
(Note)

At the meeting with Legislative Council Members on 8 January 2009, Heung Yee Kuk Councillors raised concern about the arrangements regarding Small House applications by descendents of indigenous villagers after village removal. The relevant documents (LC Paper No. CB(1)935/08-09(02)) were circulated to members on 2 March 2009.

Note: The Administration has advised that more time is required for its internal deliberation on the subject and thus it would not be ready to discuss the subject in the near future.

**Proposed timing for
discussion/Remarks**

9. Greening Master Plans for the New Territories

The subject was proposed by Mr WONG Kwok-hing at the meeting on 15 October 2009.

To be decided
(Note)

Note: The Administration will start to consult the District Councils within 2010 on the formulation of the Greening Master Plans (GMPs) for the New Territories. Under the first phase, the Administration will engage consultants, with funding from the departmental block vote, to conduct studies on the GMPs for individual districts.

10. North East New Territories New Development Areas Planning and Engineering Study

The subject is proposed by Mr LEE Wing-tat. He expresses concern about the proposed comprehensive development and nature conservation enhancement area in the Kwu Tung North New Development Area Preliminary Outline Development Plan.

To be decided

The Panel discussed the subject of "Planning and Engineering Study on North East New Territories New Development Area (Stage One Public Engagement)" at the meeting on 25 November 2008. The Administration briefed the Panel on the Preliminary Outline Development Plans in the Stage Two Public Engagement at the meeting on 24 November 2009.