

Panel on Development

List of outstanding items for discussion
(Position as at 19 November 2009)

**Proposed timing for
discussion/Remarks**

1. Public open space in private developments

The Administration intends to brief members on the outcome of the Administration's review and the Consultancy Study on the Formulation of Design and Management Guidelines applicable to public open space in private developments.

December 2009

The Panel discussed the subject on 22 April 2008, 31 May 2008 (with deputations), 8 December 2008, 16 February 2009 (with deputations) and 26 May 2009.

2. 5013GB -- Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point and Associated Works -- site formation for village reprovision

The Administration intends to brief members on the part-upgrading for site formation and related works for resite of Chuk Yuen Village at an estimated cost of \$46 million. It intends to submit the funding proposal to the Public Works Subcommittee and Finance Committee for consideration in January 2010 and February 2010 respectively.

December 2009

The Panel conducted a site visit to relevant areas on 15 November 2008.

3. Review of the Urban Renewal Strategy

The Administration intends to brief members on the progress of the Review.

January 2010
and
July 2010

The Panel discussed the subject on 20 January 2009 and 15 April 2009. The Panel had an informal meeting with the Steering Committee on Review of the Urban Renewal Strategy on 27 August 2009.

**Proposed timing for
discussion/Remarks**

4. Operation Building Bright -- progress and update

The Administration intends to brief members on the progress of the Operation Building Bright and whether there will be a fresh round of applications.

January 2010

The Panel discussed the relevant funding proposals on 31 March and 23 June 2009.

5. Results of the assessment of 1 444 historic buildings

The Administration intends to report to members the completion of the assessment of 1 444 historic buildings by the Expert Panel, latest progress and the next steps, and seek members' views on the way forward in light of the formal relationship between the administrative grading system and the statutory monument declaration system and rising public aspirations about heritage conservation in Hong Kong.

January 2010

6. 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.

February 2010

7. 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.

February 2010

**Proposed timing for
discussion/Remarks**

8. CWP item no. 8002QW "Revitalisation Scheme -- Conversion of Lai Chi Kok Hospital into The Hong Kong Cultural Heritage"

The Administration intends to seek funding support for the renovation cost of the building for the successful applicant under the Revitalisation Scheme. It intends to submit the funding proposal to the Public Works Subcommittee and Finance Committee for consideration in April 2010 and May 2010 respectively.

March 2010

9. 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.

March 2010

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

10. Work progress of the Development Opportunities Office

The Administration intends to report on the progress of work of the Development Opportunities Office.

March 2010

The Panel discussed the relevant staffing proposal on 28 April 2009.

11. CWP item no. 8004QW "Revitalisation Scheme -- Conversion of Lui Seng Chun into Hong Kong Baptist University Chinese Medicine and Healthcare Centre"

The Administration intends to seek funding support for the renovation cost of the building for the successful applicant under the Revitalisation Scheme. It intends to submit the funding proposal to the Public Works Subcommittee and Finance Committee for consideration in the second quarter of 2010.

April 2010

**Proposed timing for
discussion/Remarks**

**12. CWP item no. 8007QW "Revitalisation Scheme --
Conversion of Mei Ho House as City Hostel"**

The Administration intends to seek funding support for the renovation cost of the building for the successful applicant under the Revitalisation Scheme. It intends to submit the funding proposal to the Public Works Subcommittee and Finance Committee for consideration in the second quarter of 2010.

April 2010

**13. PWP Item 7417RO -- Improvement Works for Tai
O Facelift**

The Administration intends to brief members on the part-upgrading for the first contract comprising the construction works for the riverwall at Yat Chung, temple garden upgrading and information and directional signage. It intends to submit the funding proposal to the Public Works Subcommittee and Finance Committee for consideration in May 2010 and June 2010 respectively.

April 2010

The Administration briefed members on the plan for revitalisation of Tai O on 28 July 2009.

14. 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.

June 2010

**15. 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. 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.

To be decided
(Note)

At the Panel meeting on 14 October 2008, Miss Tanya

Proposed timing for discussion/Remarks

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.

16. Rural development strategy

At the meetings with Legislative Council Members, Heung Yee Kuk Councillors expressed views/concerns on the following matters -

Proposed to be deleted
(Note)

- (a) the need to allocate more resources to provide infrastructure and improve the environment of rural areas;
- (b) the need for appropriate initiatives to utilize the natural resources of rural areas to facilitate tourism development; and
- (c) obsolete land use zonings in rural areas.

Note: The Administration has advised that the future development and land use of various rural areas in the New Territories are being examined under the respective planning and engineering studies. The Administration would continue to liaise with Heung Yee Kuk and respective District Councils on relevant issues.

17. 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)

**Proposed timing for
discussion/Remarks**

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.

18. 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 has advised that it has yet to secure the necessary resources for this area of work.

19. Planning for the Central District

The subject was proposed by Mr IP Kwok-him at the meeting on 15 October 2009 with reference to the policy initiatives to conserve Central announced by the Chief Executive in his 2009 Policy Address.

To be decided

20. Land supply strategy and the Application List System

The subject was proposed by Mr Albert CHAN at the meeting on 15 October 2009.

To be decided
(Note)

Note: The Administration has advised that pursuant to the motion debate on "Increasing the supply of medium and small-sized residential flats" at the Council meeting on 4 November 2009, the Administration would brief the Panel on any new development in around March 2010.

**Proposed timing for
discussion/Remarks**

**21. Proposed expansion of the Hong Kong Convention
and Exhibition Centre**

The subject was proposed by Mr Albert HO at the meeting on 15 October 2009. Mr HO suggested the Panel on Commerce and Industry and the Panel on Development hold a joint meeting to discuss the subject.

Note: The Administration has advised that the matter falls under the purview of the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau.

Proposed to be deleted from this list but members will be invited to attend when the subject is discussed by the Panel on Commerce and Industry

(Note)

**22. Improving pedestrian environment in business,
shopping and leisure areas with heavy pedestrian
flow**

The subject was proposed by Ms Cyd HO at the meeting on 15 October 2009 with reference to the relevant policy initiatives announced by the Chief Executive in his 2009 Policy Address. Ms HO suggested the Panel on Transport and the Panel on Development hold a joint meeting to discuss the subject.

Note: The Administration has advised that the matter falls under the purview of the Transport and Housing Bureau.

Proposed to be deleted from this list but members will be invited to attend when the subject is discussed by the Panel on Transport

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