

Panel on Development

List of outstanding items for discussion

(Position as at 23 June 2011)

Proposed timing for discussion/Remarks

1. Progress Report on Heritage Conservation Initiatives

The Administration intends to update the Panel on the progress made on various heritage conservation initiatives since its last report in November 2010, to seek members' support for the funding application for the revitalization of the Old Tai Po Police Station, the Blue House Cluster and the Stone Houses under Batch II of the Revitalization Scheme, and to hear their views on future work on heritage conservation.

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The Administration plans to submit of the funding applications for the revitalization projects to the Public Works Subcommittee and the Finance Committee in November and December 2011 respectively.

2. The Work of the Tree Management Office

This item was proposed by Miss Tanya CHAN at the meeting of the Panel on 20 April 2011. She was concerned about the work progress of the Tree Management Office ("TMO") since its establishment in March 2010, in particular its preparatory work in relation to the management tasks for the on-set of the typhoon season. The Administration provided an information paper to the Panel on 17 May 2011 (LC Paper No. CB(1)2225/10-11(02)) reporting the work progress of O in the implementation of the tree management policy.

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3. Repair and Replacement of Aged Water Mains and Temporary Water Supply

The item was proposed by non-Panel member Dr PAN Pey-chyou in a letter to the Chairman dated 1 April 2011 (LC Paper No. CB(1) 1873/10-11(01)) in view of recent incidents of bursting of water mains in commercial and residential areas. The Administration provided an information paper on *the subject* to the Panel on 17 May 2011 (LC Paper No. CB(1)2225/10-11(01)). Members requested that the subject be discussed at a meeting.

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4. Implementation of the Revised Management Scheme for the Display of Roadside Non-commercial Publicity Materials

The Administration intends to brief members on the above Revised Management Scheme. The proposed revisions include the setting of an objective of the scheme, revised rules and a proposal to replace all the existing banner spots at the central dividers of roads by other spots.

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5. Proposed redevelopment scheme for the West Wing of the Central Government Offices

The subject was discussed at the meetings of the Panel on 27 April and 26 October 2010. A public hearing on the issue was held by the Panel on 23 November 2010. The public consultation on the proposed redevelopment of the West Wing of the Central Government Offices ended on 31 December 2010. The Administration will update the Panel on the way forward for the proposed scheme.

To be decided

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discussion/Remarks**

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. The Administration intends to submit the subsidiary legislation in due course.

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

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

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The Panel discussed the subject of "Planning and Engineering Study on North East New Territories New Development Areas (NENT NDAs) (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.

The Administration provided an update on the NENT NDAs Planning and Engineering Study in its supplementary note on the Planning and Engineering Study on Development of Lok Ma Chau Loop -- Investigation -- Stage One Public Engagement (LC Paper No. CB(1)735/10-11(04)) in December 2010.

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8. Environmentally Friendly Linkage System for the Kai Tak Development

The Administration intends to brief the Panel on the findings of the feasibility study on the above system.

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9. 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.

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10. Leakage problem of water mains in housing estates

The subject was proposed by Hon WONG Kwok-hing in a letter to the Chairman dated 18 November 2010 (LC Paper No. CB(1)514/10-11(01)). The proposal was discussed at the meeting of the Panel on 23 November 2010 and supported. The Audit Commission has conducted a review to examine the Water Supplies Department's management of burst and leaks in the water supply and distribution systems and published its recommendations in Report No. 55 of the Director of Audit's Report (tabled in the Legislative Council on 17 November 2010).

To be decided
(*Note*)

Note: The Administration provided an information paper to the Panel on 16 June 2011 on the subject (LC Paper No. CB(1)2510/10-11(02)).

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discussion/Remarks**

11. 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, Hon Tanya CHAN, Hon Cyd HO and Hon 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.

12. Small House Policy

The subject was proposed by Hon 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.

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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.

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