

Panel on Development

List of outstanding items for discussion
(Position as at 25 October 2010)

**Proposed timing for
discussion/Remarks**

1. Progress report on heritage conservation initiatives

The Administration intends to update members on the progress made on a number of heritage conservation initiatives, including the Revitalising Historic Buildings Through Partnership Scheme, Central Police Station Compound, Former Police Married Quarters site on Hollywood Road and Haw Par Mansion.

November 2010

The Panel recently discussed the subject on 30 March 2010.

2. Updating on matters concerning the construction industry

The Administration intends to update members on the implementation progress of government-led initiatives including measures to enhance the image of the construction industry.

November 2010

The Panel discussed the subject when the item "Budget-related initiatives of the Development Bureau" was discussed on 30 March 2010.

3. Enhanced control of fresh water cooling towers

The Administration intends to brief members on measures to enhance control of fresh water cooling towers.

November 2010

**Proposed timing for
discussion/Remarks**

4. Planning and Engineering Study on Development of Lok Ma Chau Loop -- Investigation -- Preliminary Outline Development Plan and Stage 1 Public Engagement

The Administration intends to brief members and seek their views on the Preliminary Outline Development Plan for the Lok Ma Chau Loop as part of the Stage 1 Public Engagement activities of the study.

December 2010

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

5. Revitalization of industrial buildings

The subject was proposed by Miss Tanya CHAN at the Panel meeting on 14 October 2010. She was concerned about the progress of implementation of this initiative.

March 2011

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.

1st Quarter 2011

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.

1st Quarter 2011

**Proposed timing for
discussion/Remarks**

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

The subject was proposed by Mr 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.

1st Quarter 2011

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.

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.

Mr WONG Kwok-hing suggested at the Panel meeting on 14 October 2010 that the Administration should report progress as soon as possible.

10. 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)

**Proposed timing for
discussion/Remarks**

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.

11. 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.

**12. Planning of North West Kowloon Reclamation
Site 6**

The subject was proposed by Dr Priscilla LEUNG at the Panel meeting on 14 October 2010. As the planning of the site, which is located in Sham Shui Po, involves a wide range of facilities and issues, the discussion should be coordinated by the Development Panel.

To be decided

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discussion/Remarks**

Note: The Administration has advised that the site concerned has been designated for public rental housing development. The Housing Department has been in consultation with the Sham Shui Po District Council but met with very strong local objection. The planning and development of the site is now being coordinated by the Housing Department.

13. Overall planning of tourism infrastructures

The subject was proposed by Mr Paul TSE at the Panel meeting on 14 October 2010, supported by Mr WONG Kwok-hing. Members were concerned about the overall planning strategy for tourism infrastructures in Hong Kong.

To be decided

Note: The Administration has advised that the Development Bureau is responsible for overall land use planning in support of other government policies. Planning for specific facilities or sectors is led by the respective policy bureau. Hence, planning of tourism infrastructure is led by the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau and should be discussed at the Panel on Economic Development.