

Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene

List of follow-up actions (position as at 3 March 2011)

Subject	Date of meeting	Follow-up action required	Administration's response
1. Proposed demerit points system for licensed food premises	6 April 2006	The Administration to provide - (a) statistics on successful and unsuccessful prosecutions which FEHD had made against licensed food premises and the penalty awarded in these cases in the past five years; and (b) information on the number of food poisoning cases in Asian countries and the USA, and the extent of such problem as compared to Hong Kong.	The relevant information will be issued to the Panel in the first or second quarter of 2011.
2. Mainland's poultry eggs exported to USA	30 November 2006	The Administration to provide information on the control measures put in place for the Mainland's poultry eggs exported to USA when it was available from the Mainland authorities.	The relevant information will be incorporated into the panel paper on regulation of poultry eggs scheduled for May 2011.
3. Regulation of racing pigeons	12 December 2006 (Joint meeting with	The Administration to provide information on the regulatory control	The relevant information will be issued to the Panel in the

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	the Panel on Health Services)	measures on racing pigeons in other places, including the Mainland and Taiwan.	first or second quarter of 2011.
4. Licensing conditions for animal traders licence ("ATL")	13 May 2008	<p>The Administration to advise/confirm the following -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the duration of the processing time for each of the recent applications for ATL received from pet breeders; (b) whether it was legally in order to set up a pet breeding farm in farmland and whether the suggestion of granting a special waiver to the existing pet breeding farms which were located in farmland would be considered; and (c) whether the suggestions of providing a performance pledge and a "one-stop-service" for approving ATL applications would be considered. 	The relevant information will be covered in the paper on proposed measures to enhance animal welfare scheduled for the second quarter of 2011.
5. Labelling of genetically modified ("GM") food	8 July 2008	The Administration to provide information on countries which have	Research is still underway and the relevant information will

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		adopted a GM food labelling scheme (either a mandatory or a voluntary scheme).	be provided to the Panel once ready.
6. Regulation of pet shops and pet breeders	9 June 2009	The Administration to – (a) provide details of the additional Animal Traders License ("ATL") conditions for pet shops and the number of dogs and cats euthanized by the Hong Kong Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals ("HKSPCA") in the past three years; (b) provide information on the yearly numbers of dogs and cats which were microchipped vis-à-vis the numbers of dogs and cats euthanized by AFCD and HKSPCA; and (c) confirm whether the suggestion of providing a timetable for requiring pet shops to source animals, other than dogs, from specified sources would be considered.	The relevant information will be covered in the paper on proposed measures to enhance animal welfare scheduled for discussion by the Panel in the second quarter of 2011.

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<p>7. Enforcement actions under the Places of Public Entertainment Ordinance (Cap. 172)</p>	<p>21 June 2010 (special meeting)</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the details of the legal advice sought from the Department of Justice regarding the applicability of the Places of Public Entertainment Ordinance (Cap. 172) ("PPEO"), including what the legal advice was, in what way and when the legal advice was provided, as well as the capacity of the public officer who provided the legal advice; (b) a chronology of events relating to the operations, including the course of actions taken on the date when FEHD learnt about the organisers' intention to display some exhibits at Times Square; (c) a copy of the undertaking that the Police requested the organisers to sign for the returning of the exhibits; and (d) information on applications for Places of Public Entertainment Licence for the display of art items. 	<p>Response from the Home Affairs Bureau awaited.</p>
<p>8. Conversion of aqua privies</p>	<p>9 November 2010</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to</p>	<p>Return is not due until</p>

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("APs") into flushing toilets – Phase 7 (the Final Phase)		provide the Panel with an annual progress report on the conversion plan for those 53 Aps not included in the conversion programme and the consultation outcome with the relevant DCs, if any.	November 2011.
9. Review on provision of cooked food markets and cooked food centres	14 December 2010	The Administration was requested to provide views of the tenants in the opinion survey.	The information will be provided in due course.
10. Creation of a Principal Veterinary Officer ("PVO") post in the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department	11 January 2011	The Administration was requested to provide supplementary information, in preparing its proposal to the Establishment Subcommittee ("ESC") for consideration, on the strategic role to be played by the proposed PVO post on animal management work, in particular relating to animal welfare.	The information requested has been provided in the submission for the ESC meeting on 2 March 2011.
11. Liquor licensing review	15 February 2011	The Administration was requested to provide – (a) written information concerning how the consultation process adopted by the former Municipal Council with respect to the applications of liquor licences differed from the current consultation process;	The information will be presented to the Panel at the meeting in April 2011.

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		<p>(b) the number of cases involving the imposition of additional licensing conditions to liquor licences and the revocation of liquor licences as a result of public nuisance;</p> <p>(c) the timetable of the legislative amendment exercise;</p> <p>(d) the number of upstairs bars in 2008 and 2009;</p> <p>(e) the number of cases on prosecution and imprisonment of licensees in the past 20 to 30 years; and</p> <p>(f) the breakdown of the crime cases relating to liquor licensed premises.</p>	