

Panel on Housing

**List of outstanding items for discussion
(position as at 4 March 2011)**

**Proposed timing for
discussion**

1. Rent Payment for Public Housing Tenants

April 2011

*(New item proposed by
the Administration)*

The Administration would like to brief members on the proposal to pay two months' rent for tenants living in the public rental housing flats of the Hong Kong Housing Authority and the Hong Kong Housing Society, as announced in the Financial Secretary's Budget Speech for the 2011-12 financial year.

2. The Steering Committee on Regulation of the Sale of First-hand Residential Properties by Legislation

April 2011

*(Without a fixed timing
for discussion before)*

The Administration to provide an update on the progress of the Steering Committee.

3. Dissemination of misleading information on sale of residential properties

May 2011

Proposed by the Chairman to follow up the discussion at the last meeting on 10 February 2011.

4. Water supply to housing development at Anderson Road (PWP No. B126WC under Head 711)

May 2011

*(The item was
originally scheduled
for discussion in the
second quarter, 2011)*

The Administration would like to seek the Panel's support to obtain funds from the Legislative Council Public Works Subcommittee in June 2011 and Finance Committee in July 2011 for upgrading the remaining water works to Category A to serve the public housing development at Anderson Road.

Proposed timing for discussion

5. Marking Scheme for Estate Management Enforcement in PRH estates

The Administration would like to brief members on the latest progress and effectiveness of the Marking Scheme.

May 2011
(The item was originally scheduled for discussion in April 2011)

6. My Home Purchase Scheme

Proposed by the Chairman to follow up the latest progress of the Scheme.

Q2 2011

7. Enhanced partnering arrangements among Estate Management Advisory Committees and non-governmental organizations to promote neighborliness in PRH estates

The Administration would report on the progress of the enhanced partnering arrangements among Estate Management Advisory Committees and non-government organizations to promote neighborliness in PRH estates.

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8. Setting up of the Tenants Purchase Scheme Advisory Team (TPSAT)

The Administration would report on the effectiveness of TPSAT after completion of the review in mid-2011.

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9. Thematic greening for the urban area in and adjoining Choi Wan Road, Jordan Valley and Lower Ngau Tau Kok

To be confirmed

The project is to support the public housing development at Choi Wan Road/Jordan Valley and the redevelopment of existing Lower Ngau Tau Kok Estate. It serves to bring noticeable improvements to the urban areas through enhancement of greening to slopes, streetscape and pedestrian linkages. The project is scheduled to commence in April 2011. The Administration would seek the Panel's support to obtain funds from the Legislative Council Public Works Subcommittee in December 2010 and Finance Committee in January 2011.

10. Policy on interim housing

To be confirmed

Relevant concern groups will be invited to attend discussion on the subject.

11. Public housing for elderly persons

To be confirmed

A related submission from Society for Community Organization and a referral from Duty Roster Members have been circulated vide LC Paper Nos. CB(1) 1867/08-09(03) and CB(1) 709/09-10(01).

12. Outsourcing of management of public housing estates

To be confirmed

Members are concerned about the impact of outsourcing the work of management staff, which is currently undertaken by civil servants, to private management agencies, particularly on the enforcement of the Marking Scheme for Estate Management Enforcement in Public Housing Estates.

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13. Public rental housing for single persons

To be confirmed

Members are concerned about the long waiting time for single-person applicants.

Referrals from Duty Roster Members and meeting between Legislative Council Members and Kwai Tsing District Council members regarding the application, waiting time and allocation of public rental housing flats for non-elderly singletons have been circulated vide LC Paper Nos. CB(1) 1820/09-10(01), CB(1) 2263/09-10(01), CB(1) 549/10-11(01) and CB(1) 2968/09-10(01) respectively.

14. Issues related to the agreement between the Estate Agents Authority and the China Institute of Real Estate Appraisers and Agents

To be confirmed

Referred to the Panel by the Subcommittee on Estate Agents (Licensing) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulation 2009. The Administration has been requested to report to the Panel progress and operation of the scheme on mutual recognition of qualifications of estate agents on both sides.

The report of the Subcommittee is hyperlinked below for easy reference –
<http://www.legco.gov.hk/yr09-10/english/hc/papers/hccb1-406-e.pdf>

Information paper on "Scheme on the Mutual Recognition of Professional Qualifications of Estate Agents between Mainland and Hong Kong" provided by the Administration has been circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(1) 271/10-11(01).

15. Review of the Policy on Safeguarding Rational Allocation of Public Housing Resources

To be confirmed

Members consider that the Administration should review the Policy following the shelving of the Tenants Purchase Scheme.

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16. Restoration of PRH units to original form by tenants upon moving out

To be confirmed

Members consider that restoration should not be required if prospective tenants are willing to take up the PRH units as they are.

17. Measures to tackle property bubble

To be confirmed

Members wish to be briefed on the measures taken/to be taken by the Administration to tackle property bubble.

18. Land supply for housing

To be confirmed

Members wish to follow up the issues raised at the last joint meeting with the Panel on Development on 10 December 2010.

19. Review of the Landlord and Tenant (Consolidation) Ordinance (Cap. 7)

To be confirmed

Members wish to be briefed on the time frame for review of the Ordinance.

20. Re-launching of Home Ownership Scheme (HOS) and revitalization of the HOS Secondary Market

To be confirmed

Members wish to be briefed on the Administration's latest position on the issues.