

Panel on Home Affairs

**List of outstanding items for discussion
(as at 13 June 2013)**

**Proposed timing
for discussion**

1. Support and assistance for ethnic minority groups

At the Panel meeting on 16 October 2012, Hon Starry LEE expressed concern as to whether the existing support offered by the Administration on various fronts to ethnic minority groups was adequate. She suggested that the Panel should discuss the issue at a future meeting.

July 2013

The Administration will brief the Panel on the subject at the July Panel meeting.

2. Matters relating to rural elections

During the scrutiny of the Electoral Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendment) Bill 2012 and at the meeting on 8 April 2011, the Administration advised that a review regarding rural elections would be conducted to identify room for improvement for the conduct of future rural elections. The Administration will brief the Panel on the result of the review at the July Panel meeting.

July 2013

3. Regulation of the property management industry

The Advisory Committee on the Regulation of the Property Management Industry was set up in December 2011 to work out the details of the licensing regime for the property management industry. The Administration briefed the Panel on the progress of the work of the Advisory Committee at its meeting on 4 July 2012. Members noted that the Administration aimed to submit a bill to the Legislative Council ("LegCo") in mid-2013 with a view to effecting the licensing regime. The Administration plans to consult the Panel on the major

October/
November 2013

**Proposed timing
for discussion**

elements of the draft bill before introducing the bill into LegCo.

4. Promotion of arts, culture and sports education in schools

The Panel held a joint meeting with the Panel on Education on 13 May 2011 to discuss matters on the promotion of arts, culture and sports education in schools. Members agreed that another joint Panel meeting should be held to further discuss the matters.

To be confirmed

5. Community development services

At the meeting on 13 November 2009, Hon CHEUNG Kwok-che suggested that the provision of community development services, in particular those services provided by the Home Affairs Department in collaboration with the welfare sector, should be discussed.

To be confirmed

6. Review of Places of Public Entertainment Ordinance (Cap. 172)

At the request of the Subcommittee on Places of Public Entertainment (Exemption) (Amendment) Order 2011, the Administration undertook to convey members' concern and suggestions on reviewing the Places of Public Entertainment Ordinance, including narrowing down the scope of "public entertainment" and "place of public entertainment" therein, to the relevant policy bureaux for consideration. The Subcommittee agreed that issues relating to the review of the Ordinance should be referred to the Panel for follow-up. Members' views and the Administration's response on the subject were detailed in paragraphs 27 and 28 of the Subcommittee's report [LC Paper No. CB(2)1152/11-12].

To be confirmed

7. Remuneration level of District Council members

**Proposed timing
for discussion**

At the meeting of the Panel on Constitutional Affairs ("CA Panel") held on 16 October 2012, Hon Regina IP pointed out that there was a great disparity between the remuneration level of District Council ("DC") members and that of Political Assistants or the entry point of the Administrative Officer grade. She considered that the Administration should review the remuneration level of DC members for recognition of their long hours devoted to work. As matters relating to the remuneration for DC members fell under the purview of this Panel, the issue was referred to this Panel for follow-up.

To be confirmed

8. Public consultation

At the CA Panel meeting on 16 October 2012, Dr Hon Kenneth CHAN proposed to discuss whether there was room for improvement in the conduct of public consultation with a view to enhancing the effectiveness of gauging public opinions and the quality of governance. As matters relating to public consultation fell under the purview of this Panel, the issue was referred to this Panel for follow-up.

To be confirmed

9. Review of District Councils

In his letter dated 20 May 2013 [LC Paper No. CB(2)1192/12-13(01)] and at the Panel meeting on 28 May 2013, Dr Hon Kenneth CHAN suggested that issues relating to the review of DCs, including, among others, the roles and functions of DCs and resources allocation, should be discussed at a Panel meeting.

To be confirmed