

**Subcommittee on Country Parks
(Designation) (Consolidation) (Amendment) Order 2013**

**Follow-up actions to be taken by the Administration
for the meeting on 29 October 2013**

Development of New Territories Exempted Houses on private land within a country park

1. The Administration has advised the Subcommittee that development of New Territories Exempted Houses ("small houses") on private land within a country park is subject to the approval of the Director of Lands. The Administration was required to provide information about the assessment criteria of the Director of Lands in respect of approval of development of small houses on such land, in particular, whether modification of the land lease for building small houses would be allowed under certain conditions and/or upon the payment of land premium.

Impact of incorporation of private land into a country park on the landowner's rights and interests

2. Some members have expressed concern about the impact of incorporation of private land into a country park on the landowner's rights and interests. The Administration was requested to provide information about --
 - (a) a comparison of the rights of the landowner before and after a piece of land in the New Territories is incorporated into a country park; and
 - (b) the compensation mechanism for any loss, damage or cost suffered by the concerned landowner over the incorporation of his/her land into a country park (in addition to the information provided in the Legislative Council Brief).

The Sai Wan Enclave

3. The Subcommittee notes that the Country and Marine Parks Board heard the objections received against the draft maps of the Sai Kung East Country Park ("SKECP") and the Tai Lam Country Park in three sessions in February 2013 but had unanimously rejected all the objections to the two draft maps. In connection with this, the Administration was requested to --
 - (a) provide the details of the objecting views and the Administration's positions on these views (other than the information provided at Annex B to the Legislative Council Brief); and
 - (b) explain why statutory planning for the land at the Sai Wan Enclave could not achieve the same purpose of incorporating the Enclave into SKECP.

4. The Subcommittee notes that the Administration has undertaken to assist the owners of land at the Sai Wan Enclave in making good use of their land in collaboration with non-profit-making organizations. The Administration was requested to provide information about the progress of this initiative.