Panel on Environmental Affairs

<u>List of follow-up actions</u> (position as at 17 March 2015)

	Subject		Date of meeting	Follow-up action required	Administration's response
1.	5054DP – Further quality of coastal Victoria Harbour	_		 (a) provide a flow chart (with estimated time required) to illustrate the steps and procedures for conducting field surveys, environmental monitoring and investigations under the proposed study on further enhancing the quality of coastal waters of Victoria Harbour, and the total number of man-hours required for the entire process; (b) provide the number of prosecution cases involving malpractices of illegal discharge of polluted flow into the coastal waters of Victoria Harbour; and (c) provide information on cases where mis-connections in the sewerage and drainage systems in old buildings have been rectified through the concerted effort of the Environmental Protection Department, the Home Affairs Department and the District Councils. 	Response awaited

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2.1		Treatment		The Administration to — (a) provide actual and estimated statistics on the respective percentage increases in labour wages and construction material price index of the project in each year from 2009 to 2018; (b) provide information on the management of marine fill and marine disposal of dredged/excavated sediment; (c) provide reasons for the differences between the "approved project estimate" and the "latest project estimates" as set out in Enclosure 3 of the Administration's paper; (d) provide information on the different procurement approaches for public works projects, e.g. the Design-Build-and-Operate (commonly known as "DBO") approach and the Build-Operate-Transfer (commonly known as "BOT") approach, including the criteria for adopting individual approaches;	Administration's response The Administration's response was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(1)621/14-15(01) on 9 March 2015.

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		(e) explain why the Government has to bear the extra costs arising from the increases in labour wages and construction material prices given that the project was implemented under a DBO contract arrangement; and	
		(f) explain what kinds of expenditure items can be utilized under the project contingencies, as well as whether the study on the treatment of bottom ash falls within the scope of project contingencies.	
2.2. Implementation of the extension of the Plastic Shopping Bag Charging to all retail outlets		The Administration to – (a) provide statistics on the reduction in the number of plastic shopping bags ("PSB") distributed by registered retailers after the implementation of the Environmental Levy Scheme on Plastic Shopping Bags ("the Levy Scheme");	Paper No. CB(1)586/14-15(01)
		(b) provide statistics on the use of large black plastic garbage bags for waste collection after the implementation of the Levy Scheme; and(c) provide statistics on the import of PSB after the implementation of the Levy Scheme.	

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3.	Receiving public views on "Expansion of Hong Kong International Airport into a Three-Runway System and its related impacts on the environment"	6.1.2015	The Administration to provide information on the "air wall" between the Hong Kong and Mainland airspace, as well as details of regional co-operation on airspace management among the civil aviation authorities of the Mainland, Hong Kong and Macau.	Response awaited
4.	Framework proposal for implementation of municipal solid waste ("MSW") charging	25.2.2015	The Administration to provide information on the timetable and work plan for the implementation of MSW charging, including the time required for the various preparatory work such as the drafting of the enabling legislation for the charging system.	Response awaited

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