

Panel on Environmental Affairs

**List of outstanding items for discussion
(position as at 18 March 2015)**

**Proposed timing for
discussion**

1. Progress of air quality improvement measures

April 2015

The Administration will report to the Panel on the progress of the implementation of air quality improvement measures including the first annual report on the progress of phasing out pre-Euro IV diesel commercial vehicles.

Members would also like to be briefed on the application of the new "Pollutants in the Atmosphere and their Transport over Hong Kong" ("PATH") model for air quality assessment in Hong Kong.

Letter dated 6 March 2015 from Mr CHAN Han-pan requesting the Panel to discuss marine emission and the problem of air pollution in the coastal areas (LC Paper No. CB(1)625/14-15(01) issued on 10 March 2015).

2. Producer Responsibility Scheme on Glass Beverage Bottles

April 2015

The Administration will brief Members on the latest development of the implementation of the mandatory producer responsibility scheme on glass beverage bottles.

3. Report on public engagement of the Task Force on External Lighting

May 2015
(tentative)

The Administration will brief the Panel on the Task Force's views on dealing with issues arising from external lighting and propose the way forward.

Members would also like to be briefed on the way forward in tackling energy wastage and light nuisance (including the nuisance caused by reflected glare from glass curtain walls of buildings).

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4. Legislative control on marine pollution

May / June 2015
(tentative)

Pursuant to the discussion on "Controlling the impact of dumping and dredging activities on the marine environment" at the Panel meeting on 14 June 2013, the Administration proposes to brief the Panel on the legislative control on marine pollution arising from oil spillage, marine littering, and floating refuse. Members would also like to be briefed on the management of seabed waste.

5. Nature conservation policy

June 2015
(tentative)

The subject was raised by Dr Kenneth CHAN at the meeting on 16 October 2012. Members would like to be briefed on the latest development on the nature conservation policy, including the protection of incense trees, the prohibition of illegal ivory trade and the establishment of marine parks.

Referral arising from the meeting between Duty Roster Members and "大澳環境及發展關注協會、'救救土沉香，瀕危滅絕中'網上群組、活力南丫島、環保及生態保育協會、一群新界區關注土沉香的居民、一群大嶼山關注土沉香的居民及一群南丫島關注土沉香的居民" on 19 May 2014 regarding the protection of Incense Trees in Hong Kong (LC Paper No. CB(1)176/14-15(01) issued on 6 November 2014).

Letter dated 3 November 2014 from Dr Elizabeth QUAT requesting the Panel to discuss issues related to the illegal ivory trade in Hong Kong (LC Paper No. CB(1)190/14-15(01) issued on 6 November 2014).

Letter dated 4 March 2015 from Ms Claudia MO requesting the Panel to discuss issues related to the illegal trading of endangered species in Hong Kong (LC Paper No. CB(1)616/14-15(01) issued on 6 March 2015).

6. Review of the Fourth Technical Memorandum on emission caps for power plants

July 2015
(tentative)

To seek Members' views on the proposal to further tighten the emission caps for power plants starting from 1 January 2020 by

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way of issuing a new Technical Memorandum (TM) under section 26G of the Air Pollution Control Ordinance (Cap. 311).

- 7 Retrofitting of noise barriers on Tuen Mun Road – Fu Tei Section** To be confirmed

The Administration will seek the Panel's support for the proposal to upgrade the noise barrier retrofitting project to Category A.

- 8. Banning of commercial fishing in marine parks** To be confirmed

Referral on banning of fishing in Geopark arising from the meeting between Legislative Council Members and Tai Po District Council members on 3 June 2010 (LC Paper No. CB(1)2817/09-10). Submission from the Friends of Hoi Ha on the subject (LC Paper No. CB(1)799/12-13(01) issued on 3 April 2013).

The Administration will brief members on the progress of policy initiatives to ban commercial fishing in marine parks.

- 9. PWP Item No. 5173DR – Development of Organic Waste Treatment Facilities Phase 2** To be confirmed

The Administration will brief the Panel on the progress of the project.

- 10. Reduction of construction waste** To be confirmed

The subject was raised by Ms Cyd HO. Members wish to be briefed on the measures taken by the Administration to reduce construction waste.

The Administration will brief members on the outcome of the review of the Construction Waste Disposal Charging Scheme as a measure to reduce construction waste.

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- 11. Impacts of various marine works projects in the western waters of Hong Kong on marine ecology** To be confirmed

Pursuant to the discussion at the Panel meeting on 25 June 2014 on the subject of "Impact of construction works on important species, marine ecology and the fisheries industry", members wish to follow up the accumulated impacts of the planned marine works projects in the western waters of Hong Kong (as mentioned in LC Paper No. CB(1)2004/13-14(01)) on marine ecology as well as the progress of respective mitigation measures and restoration works.

Dr Kenneth CHAN wrote to the Panel Chairman on 10 February 2015 (LC Paper No. CB(1)540/14-15(01) proposing discussion on the impacts of large-scale infrastructure projects and sea transport on marine ecology.

- 12. Promotion of renewable energy in Hong Kong** To be confirmed

Members would like to be briefed on the Administration's strategies and the latest development on the promotion of renewable energy in Hong Kong.

- 13. Promotion of green buildings and building energy efficiency in Hong Kong** To be confirmed

Members would like to be briefed on the Administration's plan to promote green buildings and enhance building energy efficiency in Hong Kong.

- 14. Promotion of green transport** To be confirmed

Members would like to be briefed on the latest development on the promotion of green transport in Hong Kong.

- 15. Green procurement** To be confirmed

Members would like to be briefed on the Administration's policy and practices on green procurement.

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- 16. Management of marine fill and marine disposal of dredged/excavated sediment** To be confirmed

The subject was raised by Mr Steven HO at the meeting on 15 December 2014. Members would like to be briefed on the management of marine fill and marine disposal of dredged/excavated sediment.

- 17. Handling of imported waste** To be confirmed

Dr Elizabeth QUAT wrote to the Panel Chairman on 5 January 2015 (LC Paper No. CB(1)473/14-15(01) proposing discussion on the captioned subject.

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