# 立法會 Legislative Council

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## **Panel on Development**

# Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday, 18 October 2016, at 9:00 am in Conference Room 3 of the Legislative Council Complex

**Members present**: Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, GBS, JP (Chairman)

Hon Kenneth LAU Ip-keung, MH, JP (Deputy Chairman)

Hon James TO Kun-sun

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, GBS, JP Prof Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long, SBS, JP Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung, GBS, JP Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, SBS, JP

Hon CHAN Hak-kan, BBS, JP Hon CHAN Kin-por, BBS, JP Hon WONG Kwok-kin, SBS, JP

Hon Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-yee, GBS, JP

Hon Paul TSE Wai-chun, JP Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung

Hon Claudia MO

Hon Michael TIEN Puk-sun, BBS, JP

Hon Steven HO Chun-yin, BBS Hon Frankie YICK Chi-ming, JP

Hon WU Chi-wai, MH Hon YIU Si-wing, BBS

Hon MA Fung-kwok, SBS, JP

Hon Charles Peter MOK, JP Hon CHAN Chi-chuen

Hon CHAN Han-pan, JP

Hon LEUNG Che-cheung, BBS, MH, JP

Hon Kenneth LEUNG

Hon Alice MAK Mei-kuen, BBS, JP

Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki

Hon KWOK Wai-keung

Hon Dennis KWOK Wing-hang

Hon Christopher CHEUNG Wah-fung, SBS, JP

Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung

Dr Hon Helena WONG Pik-wan

Hon IP Kin-yuen

Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT, JP

Hon Martin LIAO Cheung-kong, SBS, JP

Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan, JP

Ir Dr Hon LO Wai-kwok, SBS, MH, JP

Hon Alvin YEUNG

Hon Andrew WAN Siu-kin

Hon Jimmy NG Wing-ka, JP

Dr Hon Junius HO Kwan-yiu, JP

Hon HO Kai-ming

Hon LAM Cheuk-ting

Hon Holden CHOW Ho-ding

Hon SHIU Ka-chun

Hon Wilson OR Chong-shing, MH

Hon YUNG Hoi-yan

Hon CHAN Chun-ying

Hon Tanya CHAN

Hon CHEUNG Kwok-kwan, JP

Hon LUK Chung-hung

Dr Hon LAU Siu-lai

Hon LAU Kwok-fan, MH

Dr Hon CHENG Chung-tai

Hon KWONG Chun-yu

Hon Jeremy TAM Man-ho

Hon Nathan LAW Kwun-chung

Dr Hon YIU Chung-yim

#### **Members absent**

: Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung

Hon WONG Ting-kwong, SBS, JP

Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG Mei-fun, SBS, JP

Hon Eddie CHU Hoi-dick

Hon HUI Chi-fung

Hon Sixtus LEUNG Chung-hang

Hon YAU Wai-ching

**Member attending**: Hon SHIU Ka-fai

**Clerk in attendance**: Ms Sharon CHUNG

Chief Council Secretary (1)2

**Staff in attendance**: Ms Anita SIT

Assistant Secretary General 1

Miss Rita YUNG

Senior Council Secretary (1)2

Mr Raymond CHOW

Senior Council Secretary (1)6

Ms Mandy LI

Council Secretary (1)2

Ms Alice CHEUNG

Senior Legislative Assistant (1)1

Miss Queenie LAM

Senior Legislative Assistant (1)2

Ms Christina SHIU

Legislative Assistant (1)2

Ms Christy YAU

Legislative Assistant (1)7

Ms Clara LO

Legislative Assistant (1)8

Ms Haley CHEUNG

Legislative Assistant (1)9

Miss Joey LAW

Clerical Assistant (1)2

## I. Election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman

#### Election of Chairman

Mr James TO, the member who had the highest precedence among members of the Panel present at the meeting, presided at the election of Chairman of the Panel. Mr TO invited nominations for the chairmanship for the 2016-2017 legislative session.

- 2. Mr Alvin YEUNG nominated Ms Tanya CHAN and the nomination was seconded by Mr Charles MOK. Ms Tanya CHAN nomination. nominated accepted the Ms Alice MAK nomination Mr Tommy CHEUNG and was seconded the by Ms Starry LEE. Mr Tommy CHEUNG accepted the nomination.
- 3. As there was no other nomination, Mr James TO announced a vote by secret ballot. Mr TO said that under Rule 1 of the Rules of Procedure, no Member of the Council shall attend a meeting or vote therein until he had taken an oath in accordance with the requirements of the law. As Dr YIU Chung-yim, Mr Sixtus LEUNG and Miss YAU Wai-ching had not been sworn in according to the law, they shall not attend this meeting or vote during the meeting.

[As instructed by Mr James TO, the staff did not distribute a ballot paper to Dr YIU Chung-yim, who was present at the meeting.]

- 4. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen asked whether the meeting would finish at 9:30 am or go on until the election was completed. At the invitation of Mr James TO, the Clerk gave a reply. She said that the presiding member might extend the meeting as appropriate to complete the election of the Panel Chairman. The elected Chairman might extend the meeting or allow the meeting to continue for not more than 15 minutes beyond the appointed ending time of the meeting.
- 5. After members had cast their votes, Mr James TO invited Mr Alvin YEUNG, who had nominated Ms Tanya CHAN, and Ms Alice MAK, who had nominated Mr Tommy CHEUNG, to oversee the counting of votes. Mr TO said that the numbers of ballot papers distributed and collected were 52 and 50 respectively. Of the members present for the voting, 16 voted for Ms Tanya CHAN and 33 voted for Mr Tommy CHEUNG. There was one invalid ballot, which was a vote marked with a pencil but not the chop provided by the Secretariat.

Mr James TO declared that Mr Tommy CHEUNG was elected Chairman of the Panel for the 2016-2017 legislative session.

## Election of Deputy Chairman

- 6. Mr Tommy CHEUNG took over the chair and invited nominations for the deputy chairmanship for the 2016-2017 legislative session. Dr Elizabeth QUAT nominated Mr Kenneth LAU and the nomination was seconded by Mr Jeffrey LAM. Mr Kenneth LAU accepted the nomination. Dr KWOK Ka-ki nominated Ms Tanya CHAN and the nomination was seconded by Mr CHAN Chi-chuen. Ms Tanya CHAN accepted the nomination. There was no other nomination.
- 7. <u>The Chairman</u> announced a vote by secret ballot. After members had cast their votes, the Chairman invited Dr Elizabeth QUAT, who had nominated Mr Kenneth LAU, and Dr KWOK Ka-ki, who had nominated Ms Tanya CHAN, to oversee the counting of votes. Forty-three ballot papers had been distributed and collected.

[The staff did not distribute a ballot paper to Dr YIU Chung-yim.]

8. Of the members present for the voting, 32 voted for Mr Kenneth LAU and 11 voted for Ms Tanya CHAN. <u>The Chairman</u> declared that Mr Kenneth LAU was elected Deputy Chairman of the Panel for the 2016-2017 legislative session.

[At 9:24 am, before the election of the Deputy Chairman was completed, the Chairman announced that the meeting would be extended for a maximum duration of 15 minutes to facilitate the discussion on other items on the agenda.]

# II. Schedule of meetings for the 2016-2017 legislative session

9. <u>The Chairman</u> referred members to the proposed schedule of regular meetings prepared by the Clerk and tabled at the meeting. <u>Members</u> agreed that monthly regular meetings of the Panel would be held on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 2:30 pm, except the meetings in October and December 2016, and July 2017, which would be held on 8 November 2016 (Tuesday) at 9:00 am, 20 December 2016 (Tuesday) at 9:00 am and 18 July 2017 (Tuesday) at 9:00 am respectively.

(*Post-meeting note*: The schedule of regular meetings of the Panel for the 2016-2017 session was circulated to members vide LC Paper No. CB(1)9/16-17 on 18 October 2016.)

# III. Items for discussion at the next meeting

(LC Paper No. CB(1)8/16-17(01) — List of issues suggested to

be considered

LC Paper No. CB(1)8/16-17(02) — List of follow-up actions)

## <u>Items for discussion at the next regular meeting</u>

- 10. <u>Members</u> agreed that the next regular meeting scheduled for Tuesday, 8 November 2016, at 9:00 am be extended to end at 12:30 pm to discuss the following items proposed by the Administration:
  - (a) Proposed enactment of an Exemption Regulation and addition of three new trade divisions under the Construction Workers Registration Ordinance (Cap. 583);
  - (b) Hung Shui Kiu New Development Area Planning and Engineering Study Revised Recommended Outline Development Plan; and
  - (c) Hong Kong 2030+: Towards a Planning Vision and Strategy Transcending 2030.
- 11. Ms Tanya CHAN said that the Administration had announced earlier that the Planning and Engineering Study Report for the public housing development and Yuen Long Industrial Estate Extension at Wang Chau ("the Wang Chau Report") would be released to the public for reference. Ms CHAN urged for the early release of the Wang Chau Report by the Administration, and proposed that the subject be discussed at the next meeting. Mrs Regina IP suggested that a joint meeting with the Panel on Housing should be held to discuss the issues related to the development of Wang Chau. The Chairman said he had no objection to holding a joint panel meeting and would discuss the suggestion with the Chairman (to be elected) of the Panel on Housing.

(*Post-meeting note*: The Administration submitted the Wang Chau Report to the Legislative Council vide LC Paper No. CB(1)16/16-17 on 18 October 2016. The Report had been uploaded to the Transport and Housing Bureau's website for

public information. With the concurrence of the Chairmen of the Panel on Housing and the Panel on Development, a joint meeting of the two Panels would be held on Tuesday, 15 November 2016, from 8:30 am to 10:30 am to discuss "Public Housing Development Plan at Wang Chau, Yuen Long".)

# Suggestions on discussion items for future meetings

Fresh water supply

- 12. <u>Dr Helena WONG</u> said that the Panel had proposed in the 2015-2016 session to conduct a visit to Dongjiang to obtain information on the quality of the water supplied to Hong Kong. She opined that the Panel should follow up the proposal.
- 13. <u>Dr Helena WONG</u> further suggested that the Administration should update the Panel on its follow-up work on the incidents of excess lead found in drinking water, the progress of the review of the Waterworks Ordinance (Cap. 102) and introduction of legislation for safety of drinking water.
- 14. <u>Ms Alice MAK</u> expressed concern on the lack of fresh water supply in remote villages. She referred to item 13 (fresh water supply in remote villages) on the "list of issues suggested to be considered" (LC Paper No. CB(1)8/16-17(01)) tabled at the meeting, and urged that the Administration should discuss the item with the Panel as soon as possible.

#### Seawater desalination

15. Mr Dennis KWOK referred to the proposed development of a seawater desalination plant in Tseung Kwan O, and suggested that related issues, such as seawater desalination technologies, capacity of the proposed desalination plant, etc. should be discussed.

# Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines

16. <u>Dr Helena WONG</u> and <u>Mr LAU Kwok-fan</u> referred to item 16 (review of the Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines) on the "list of issues suggested to be considered" and said that the Administration should discuss the item with the Panel as soon as possible. In particular, <u>Dr WONG</u> opined that the Administration should accord priorities to reviewing the planning standards in relation to

child care services, kindergarten places, caring services for the elderly, and public open space.

Development of artificial islands in the central waters and the East Lantau Metropolis

17. Mr Michael TIEN and Mr Holden CHOW said that the Administration should discuss the above development proposal with the Panel as soon as possible. Mr TIEN remarked that, according to the Administration, the development of the artificial islands was crucial to developing a fifth harbour-crossing tunnel connecting North West New Territories with Hong Kong Island.

Development of Lantau

18. <u>Mr Holden CHOW</u> suggested that the Administration should discuss with the Panel the latest position on the development of Lantau, including the improvement of the transport infrastructure.

Policies on brownfield development

19. <u>Mrs Regina IP</u> and <u>Mr Michael TIEN</u> suggested that the Administration should discuss with the Panel the policies on brownfield development, and release the data on the existing brownfield sites as soon as possible.

Policies on compensation and rehousing for people affected by land resumption

20. <u>Mr LAU Kwok-fan</u> opined that the Administration should conduct a review on its existing policies on compensation and rehousing for people affected by resumption of land, including industrial sites and open storage sites in the New Territories.

Mandatory Building Inspection Scheme ("MBIS") and Mandatory Window Inspection Scheme ("MWIS")

21. Mr CHAN Han-pan was concerned about the bid-rigging encountered by building owners when they engaged outside agents to undertake building repair and maintenance works under MBIS. He further said that despite the implementation of MWIS, there were still some cases of falling of windows from buildings. He requested the

Administration to update the Panel on the implementation of MBIS and MWIS.

Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project

22. <u>Dr Helena WONG</u> said that as the West Kowloon Cultural District ("WKCD") Project was still in progress, she suggested that the Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project, set up under the Panel on Home Affairs and the Panel on Development of the Fifth Legislative Council, should continue its work.

(*Post-meeting note:* Ms Tanya CHAN wrote to the Chairman on 24 October 2016, making the same suggestion. Her letter was circulated to members vide LC Paper No. CB(1)31/16-17(01) on 25 October 2016. As advised by the Chairman, the suggestion will be discussed at the meeting on 8 November 2016.)

23. The Chairman took note of members' suggestions and views.

# IV. Any other business

24. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 9:38 am.

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