

Panel on Environmental Affairs
Subcommittee on Refuse Collection and Resource Recovery

**List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion
at the meeting on 5 June 2017**

The Administration was requested to provide information/written responses on the following:

Management of yard waste

- (a) the quantities of yard waste (i) collected and (ii) disposed of at landfills by individual government departments in each of the past three years;

Provision of price subsidies in respect of recyclables

- (b) the operating costs incurred by the Government for each tonne of waste collected and disposed of at landfills;
- (c) whether the Administration would consider making reference to Taiwan to provide price subsidies in respect of recyclables, with a view to minimizing the impact on the recycling trade arising from fluctuations in the market prices of recyclables and enhancing recovery of recyclables, and taking into account the public expenditures that will otherwise be incurred if the recyclables are not recovered/recycled but disposed of at landfills;

Resource recovery and recycling

- (d) the roles to be played by the Community Green Stations ("CGSs"), Community Recycling Centres and community recycling projects operated by non-profit organizations/non-government organizations ("community recycling projects") in the long run under the Government's planning, including whether and how the said facilities/projects will complement each other, and whether a dedicated fund will be set up to enhance support to community recycling projects on a long-term basis;
- (e) whether the Administration would consider incorporating relevant requirements in the contracts of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department's contracted refuse collection fleets to undertake resource recovery in addition to refuse collection services; and

Other issues

- (f) updates on the following subjects (which are currently on the Subcommittee's list of outstanding items for discussion), including the planned timing, if any, for briefing the Panel on Environmental Affairs on related matters:
 - (i) support for local community on recycling – Community Recycling Network and CGSs;
 - (ii) progress and effectiveness of producer responsibility schemes; and
 - (iii) management of construction waste.