

Panel on Environmental Affairs

**List of outstanding items for discussion
(position as at 21 March 2017)**

**Proposed timing
for discussion**

1. Manpower Arrangements for Implementation of Measures on Waste Reduction and Recycling

24 April 2017

The Administration will seek the Panel's support for the creation of an Assistant Director of Environmental Protection (D2) post to lead the Waste Reduction and Recycling Division of the Environmental Protection Department.

The Administration intends to submit the staffing proposal to the Establishment Subcommittee and the Finance Committee in May and June 2017 respectively.

2. Construction of Dry Weather Flow Interceptors to improve water quality and reduce odour in Victoria Harbour and sewer rehabilitation in Kowloon, Shatin and Sai Kung

24 April 2017

The Administration will seek the Panel's support for the proposal to upgrade the following sewerage items to Category A:

- (A) **"PWP Item No. 4380DS - Construction of dry weather flow interceptor at Cherry Street box culvert"**: for construction of a dry weather flow interceptor ("DWFI") at the Cherry Street box culvert to improve the water quality of New Yau Ma Tei Typhoon Shelter;
- (B) **"PWP Item No. 4389DS-1 - Upgrading of West Kowloon and Tsuen Wan sewerage – phase 1"**: for modification and construction of new DWFIs in Tsuen Wan and West Kowloon to improve the water quality of the coastal water of West Kowloon and Tsuen Wan Bay; and
- (C) **"PWP tem No. 4393DS - Rehabilitation of trunk sewers in Kowloon, Shatin and Sai Kung"**: for rehabilitating four sections of trunk sewers, which include –

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- (a) a 400 m long sewer along Lung Cheung Road near Ngau Chi Wan;
- (b) a 1 000 m long sewer from To Kwa Wan Road to the To Kwa Wan Preliminary Treatment Works;
- (c) a 50 m long sewer along Yuen Wo Road near Shatin Sewage Pumping Station; and
- (d) a 200 m long submarine sewer across Sai Kung Hoi between Sai Kung Town and Tui Min Hoi.

The Administration intends to submit the proposal to the Public Works Subcommittee and the Finance Committee in May and June 2017 respectively.

3. Improvement of roadside air quality

May 2017

Mr Charles Peter MOK wrote to the Panel Chairman on 28 October 2016 (LC Paper No. CB(1)54/16-17(01) issued on 1 November 2016) proposing discussion on the policy and ancillary facilities in support of the use of electric vehicles, and designation of pedestrian zone in Central.

4. Hong Kong's Climate Action Plan 2030+

May 2017

The Administration will brief the Panel on Hong Kong's Climate Action Plan 2030+, including the promotion of energy conservation and renewable energy.

Dr Elizabeth QUAT wrote to the Panel Chairman on 20 October 2016 (LC Paper No. CB(1)30/16-17(01) issued on 20 October 2016) proposing discussion on combating climate change, and promoting energy saving and reducing emissions.

Dr Elizabeth QUAT also proposed discussion on issues relating to the adoption of a sponge city design, and development of urban forest. As advised by the Administration, these issues should be under the purview of

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the Development Bureau. Members may exchange views with the Administration on these issues under "Enhanced work plan on combating climate change".

5. Promotion of energy conservation and renewable energy

(as part of the item under "Hong Kong's Climate Action Plan 2030+")

Mr Kenneth LEUNG wrote to the Panel Chairman on 28 October 2016 (LC Paper No. CB(1)54/16-17(02) issued on 1 November 2016) proposing discussion on issues relating to enhancing Hong Kong's energy self-sufficiency, energy conservation, energy efficiency and development of renewable energy produced locally.

6. Update on the progress of preparation for implementing Producer Responsibility Scheme on Glass Beverage Containers

2nd quarter of 2017
(tentative)

The Administration plans to consult the Panel on the legislative proposal in the second quarter of 2017.

7. Tackling marine refuse problem

2nd quarter or
3rd quarter of 2017

Dr Elizabeth QUAT wrote to the Panel Chairman on 20 October 2016 (LC Paper No. CB(1)30/16-17(01) issued on 20 October 2016) proposing discussion on issues relating to marine littering, and the problem of dumping of plastic waste in particular.

8. Deteriorating water quality of the Shing Mun River and Tolo Harbour

2nd quarter or
3rd quarter of 2017
(tentative)

Mr Steven HO wrote to the Panel Chairman on 30 March 2016 (LC Paper No. CB(1)735/15-16(02) issued on 31 March 2016) proposing discussion on the captioned subject.

Dr Elizabeth QUAT wrote to the Panel Chairman on 20 October 2016 (LC Paper No. CB(1)30/16-17(01) issued on 20 October 2016) proposing discussion on the water quality of Shing Mun River.

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9. Management of marine fill and marine disposal of dredged/excavated sediment

4th quarter of 2017
(tentative)

The Administration will brief the Panel on the management of marine fill and disposal of dredged/excavated sediments by the project owners.

The subject was raised by Mr Steven HO at the meeting on 15 December 2014.

At the meeting on 28 November 2016, Mr LEUNG Yiu-chung suggested the Panel to discuss the environmental issues relating to illegal disposal of construction and demolition materials into the sea/river. The Administration advised that these issues could be discussed under this item.

10. Control of indoor air quality

4th quarter of 2017
(tentative)

The item was proposed by Dr Helena WONG at the meeting of 18 October 2016. Members would like to discuss issues relating to the control of indoor air quality, including setting indoor air quality objectives, and establishing standards for hazardous emissions from household furniture.

11. Improving the water quality of Victoria Harbour

4th quarter of 2017
(tentative)

Dr Priscilla LEUNG wrote to the Panel Chairman on 19 October 2016 (LC Paper No. CB(1)24/16-17(01) issued on 20 October 2016) proposing discussion on the captioned subject.

12. Review of the Environmental Impact Assessment Ordinance (Cap. 499)

To be confirmed

Mr Kenneth LEUNG wrote to the Panel Chairman on 24 November 2015 (LC Paper No. CB(1)202/15-16(01) issued on 26 November 2015) proposing discussion on the captioned subject. The Administration's response was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(1)537/15-16(01) issued on 3 February 2016.

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13. Environmental impacts on Hong Kong arising from disposal of chemicals into Dasha River

Mr Steven HO Chun-yin wrote to the Panel Chairman on 5 February 2016 (LC Paper No. CB(1)551/15-16(01) issued on 5 February 2016) proposing discussion on the captioned subject. The Administration's written responses were issued vide LC Paper Nos. CB(1)589/15-16(01) and CB(1)805/15-16(01) on 23 February 2016 and 18 April 2016 respectively.

As agreed at the meeting on 28 November 2016, the Administration was requested to provide a further written response, if appropriate, on this item.

14. Development of an artificial bathing beach at Lung Mei in Tai Po

Letter from Save Lung Mei Alliance on 25 October 2016 requesting the Panel on Environmental Affairs and the Panel on Development to discuss and monitor the captioned issue (LC Paper No. CB(1)42/16-17(01) issued on 4 November 2016).

As agreed at the work plan meeting on 7 November 2016, the Environment Bureau/Environmental Protection Department will liaise with the relevant bureau or department to provide an information paper on the latest development of the matter.

15. Implementation of the Integrated Waste Management Facility and the Organic Waste Treatment Facility

The Public Accounts Committee issued a referral memorandum dated 16 February 2017 recommending the Panel to follow up on issues relating to the captioned subject.

To be confirmed