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House Committee of the Legislative Council

**Minutes of the 1st meeting
held in Conference Room 1 of the Legislative Council Complex
at 2:30 pm on Friday, 13 October 2017**

Members present :

Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, SBS, JP (Chairman)
Hon Dennis KWOK Wing-hang (Deputy Chairman)
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, GBS, JP
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, GBS, JP
Prof Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long, SBS, JP
Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung, GBS, JP
Hon WONG Ting-kwong, GBS, JP
Hon CHAN Hak-kan, BBS, JP
Hon CHAN Kin-por, GBS, JP
Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG Mei-fun, SBS, JP
Hon WONG Kwok-kin, SBS, JP
Hon Mrs Regina IP LAU Suk-yee, GBS, JP
Hon Paul TSE Wai-chun, JP
Hon Claudia MO
Hon Michael TIEN Puk-sun, BBS, JP
Hon Steven HO Chun-yin, BBS
Hon Frankie YICK Chi-ming, SBS, JP
Hon WU Chi-wai, MH
Hon YIU Si-wing, BBS
Hon Charles Peter MOK, JP
Hon CHAN Chi-chuen
Hon CHAN Han-pan, JP
Hon LEUNG Che-cheung, SBS, MH, JP
Hon Kenneth LEUNG
Hon Alice MAK Mei-kuen, BBS, JP
Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki
Hon KWOK Wai-keung, JP

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, BBS, JP
Hon Martin LIAO Cheung-kong, SBS, JP
Hon POON Siu-ping, BBS, MH
Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan, JP
Ir Dr Hon LO Wai-kwok, SBS, MH, JP
Hon CHUNG Kwok-pan
Hon Alvin YEUNG
Hon Andrew WAN Siu-kin
Hon CHU Hoi-dick
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-fai
Hon SHIU Ka-chun
Hon Wilson OR Chong-shing, MH
Hon YUNG Hoi-yan
Dr Hon Pierre CHAN
Hon CHAN Chun-ying
Hon Tanya CHAN
Hon CHEUNG Kwok-kwan, JP
Hon LUK Chung-hung
Hon LAU Kwok-fan, MH
Hon Kenneth LAU Ip-keung, BBS, MH, JP
Dr Hon CHENG Chung-tai
Hon KWONG Chun-yu

Members absent:

Hon James TO Kun-sun
Hon MA Fung-kwok, SBS, JP
Hon HUI Chi-fung
Hon Jeremy TAM Man-ho

Clerk in attendance :

Miss Flora TAI

Clerk to the House Committee

Staff in attendance :

Mr Kenneth CHEN, SBS	Secretary General
Ms Connie FUNG	Legal Adviser
Miss Odelia LEUNG	Deputy Secretary General
Ms Anita SIT	Assistant Secretary General 1
Ms Dora WAI	Assistant Secretary General 3
Mr Matthew LOO	Assistant Secretary General 4
Mr Timothy TSO	Senior Assistant Legal Adviser 1
Mr Kelvin LEE	Senior Assistant Legal Adviser 3
Ms Amy YU	Principal Council Secretary 1
Ms Miranda HON	Principal Council Secretary 2
Ms Hallie CHAN	Head (Public Information)
Ms Alice LEUNG	Chief Council Secretary (2)6
Miss Rachel DAI	Assistant Legal Adviser 2
Mr Cliff IP	Assistant Legal Adviser 8
Mr Richard WONG	Senior Council Secretary (2)6
Ms Jasmine TAM	Senior Council Secretary (2)8
Miss Connie AU	Council Secretary (2)6
Ms Anna CHEUNG	Senior Legislative Assistant (2)3
Mr Arthur KAN	Legislative Assistant (2)7

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I. Confirmation of minutes of meeting

Minutes of 31st meeting held on 6 October 2017

(LC Paper No. CB(2)13/17-18)

The minutes were confirmed.

II. Matters arising

Report by the Chairman on her meeting with the Chief Secretary for Administration

2. The Chairman said that she had conveyed to the Chief Secretary for Administration ("CS") her wish that the relationship between the executive authorities and the legislature would continue to improve in the new legislative session. CS advised that the Administration would strive to improve the relationship between the executive authorities and the legislature, and enhance the Administration's communication and interaction with Members and the public, bringing "a new atmosphere" to and creating a harmonious ambience in the society.

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3. The Chairman further said that she and the Deputy Chairman had asked CS to meet with Members to discuss the agendas of meetings of the committees, including the Finance Committee, to understand Members' views. CS had responded that he was pleased to communicate and discuss with Members from different political parties and groupings the agendas of committee meetings. The Chairman added that CS had advised that the Legislative Programme for the 2017-2018 session would be provided shortly.

4. In response to Dr KWOK Ka-ki's enquiry whether CS had made any suggestions on the dates of his meetings with Members, the Chairman said that at her meeting with CS, CS had undertaken to meet with Members from different political parties and groupings. She would, at her next meeting with CS, follow up the matter and relay to CS Members' request for CS to arrange the meetings as soon as possible.

III. Business arising from previous Council meetings

Legal Service Division report on subsidiary legislation gazetted on 6 October 2017 and tabled in Council on 11 October 2017
(*LC Paper No. LS1/17-18*)

5. At the invitation of the Chairman, Legal Adviser briefed Members on the report prepared by the Legal Service Division on 13 items of subsidiary legislation (i.e. L.N. 152 to L.N. 164) which were gazetted on 6 October 2017 and tabled in Council on 11 October 2017.

6. Mr Holden CHOW considered it necessary to form a subcommittee to study the four items of subsidiary legislation relating to the commissioning of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Port (L.N. 153, and L.N. 161 to L.N. 163) in detail. Members agreed. Mr YIU Si-wing, Mr Holden CHOW and Ms Tanya CHAN agreed to join the subcommittee.

7. Dr Priscilla LEUNG considered it necessary to form a subcommittee to study the Trainee Solicitors (Amendment) Rules 2017 (Commencement) Notice (L.N. 164) in detail. Members agreed. Dr Priscilla LEUNG agreed to join the proposed subcommittee.

8. Members did not raise any question on the remaining eight items of subsidiary legislation (i.e. L.N. 152, and L.N. 154 to L.N. 160).

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9. The Chairman reminded Members that the deadline for amending the above 13 items of subsidiary legislation would be the Council meeting of 8 November 2017, or that of 29 November 2017 if extended by a resolution of the Council.

IV. Further business for the Council meeting of 18 October 2017

(a) Tabling of papers

Report No. 2/17-18 of the House Committee on Consideration of Subsidiary Legislation and Other Instruments
(LC Paper No. CB(2)15/17-18)

10. The Chairman said that the Report covered 10 items of subsidiary legislation and the period for amending them would expire at the Council meeting of 18 October 2017. No Member had indicated intention to speak on any of these items of subsidiary legislation.

(b) Questions
(LC Paper No. CB(3)19/17-18)

11. The Chairman said that Mr Andrew WAN had replaced his oral question.

(c) Members' motions

(i) Proposed resolution to be moved by Hon Starry LEE under section 34(4) of the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance (Cap. 1) in relation to the Country Parks (Designation) (Consolidation) (Amendment) Order 2017
(LC Paper No. CB(3)28/17-18)

12. The Chairman said that the purpose of the above proposed resolution was to extend the period for amending the Order to the Council meeting of 8 November 2017.

(ii) Motion under Rule 49B(1A) of the Rules of Procedure to be moved by Hon Claudia MO
(LC Paper No. CB(3)21/17-18)

13. Members noted that Ms Claudia MO would move the above motion at the meeting.

V. Business for the Council meeting of 25 October 2017

(a) Questions

(LC Paper No. CB(3)20/17-18)

14. The Chairman said that 22 questions (six oral and 16 written) had been scheduled for the meeting.

(b) Bill - First Reading and moving of Second Reading

15. The Chairman said that the Banking (Amendment) Bill 2017 would be dealt with at the House Committee ("HC") meeting on 27 October 2017.

(c) Government motion

Motion on the co-location arrangement at the West Kowloon Station of the Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link to be moved by the Secretary for Transport and Housing
(LC Paper No. CB(3)13/17-18)

16. The Chairman informed Members that in accordance with Rule 36(5) of the Rules of Procedure, the speaking time limit for each Member at the debate was 15 minutes.

17. The Chairman reminded Members that the deadline for giving notice of amendments, if any, to the above motion would be Wednesday, 18 October 2017.

(d) Members' motions

(i) Motion on "Reform of two-tier Councils and statutory bodies" to be moved by Hon CHU Hoi-dick
(LC Paper No. CB(3)30/17-18)

(ii) Motion on "Promoting the popularization of electric vehicles" to be moved by Hon Frankie YICK
(LC Paper No. CB(3)29/17-18)

18. The Chairman reminded Members that the deadline for giving notice of amendments, if any, to the above two motions would be Wednesday, 18 October 2017.

VI. Position on Bills Committees and subcommittees
(*LC Paper No. CB(2)14/17-18*)

19. The Chairman said that as at 12 October 2017, there were 15 Bills Committees (four of which would need to work beyond three months since their commencement), 11 subcommittees under HC and five subcommittees on policy issues under Panels in action. Ten subcommittees on policy issues were on the waiting list.

VII. Determination of the dates for the elections of members of The Legislative Council Commission and the Committee on Access to the Legislature's Documents and Records
(*LC Paper No. AS3/17-18*)

20. Members agreed that the proposals set out in paragraph 6(a) to (c) of the paper be adopted for streamlining the procedure for determining the dates for the elections of members of The Legislative Council Commission ("the Commission") and the Committee on Access to the Legislature's Documents and Records ("CoA").

21. The Chairman said that the next elections of members of the Commission and CoA would be held at the HC meeting on 27 October 2017. She added that separate circulars would be issued to Members for inviting nomination for the respective members.

VIII. Any other business

22. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 2:48 pm.