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APPENDIX 12

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Public Accounts Committee Consideration of Chapter 1 of the Director of Audit's Report No. 72 Planning, provision and management of public parking spaces

Thank you for your letter of 4 June 2019. Our response is set out below.

According to the reply from the Director of Lands dated 24 May 2019 (R72/1/GEN5) concerning Case 3 in paragraph 2.13 of the Audit Report, the owner of the subject car park expressed genuine difficulties in enforcing the improper parking by individual private car drivers in light goods vehicle parking spaces. Using this case as an illustration, please advise what measures that can be taken by the Lands Department or other government departments to facilitate the owner's compliance with the relevant lease condition which requires the owner to provide a specific number of public parking spaces for certain types of vehicles

From land administration perspective, upon discovery of breach of lease conditions, Lands Department ("LandsD") acts in the capacity as the landlord,

*Note by Clerk, PAC: See Appendix 11 of this Report for the reply from Director of Lands dated 24 May 2019.

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shall take appropriate lease enforcement action under the established procedures. Generally speaking, LandsD will issue warning letter to the owner concerned requiring rectification of the breach within a specified time. If the breach is not rectified before the imposed deadline, LandsD may register the warning letter at the Land Registry, commonly known as "imposing an encumbrance". If the seriousness of the breach warrants further action, for instance where the breach poses a serious threat to public safety, LandsD may proceed with re-entry of the lot or vesting of the relevant interest to Government.

As for the subject case, LandsD has issued several warning letters to the owner of Case 3 since August 2018. In response to the warning letters, the owner had taken a number of measures including removing the materials previously used for enclosing or fencing off the light goods vehicle parking spaces; strengthening the car park management actions by educating the car park users by affixing notices at prominent places of the car park notifying that only light goods vehicles could be parked at certain designated light goods vehicle parking spaces; and impounding motor vehicles wrongly parked in the spaces concerned. These are considered as positive actions by the lot owner against the improper parking by private cars.

LandsD will continue to remind the owner their obligation to comply with the relevant conditions, and to suggest the owner to consider taking appropriate management measures to this end, including but not limited to mounting clear warning signs at parking spaces for light goods vehicles reminding drivers of private vehicles not to park there, and clamping private vehicles that have wrongly parked in spaces marked for light goods vehicles. Meanwhile, if the owner could show that the parking demand for light goods vehicles in the area concerned is low, subject to the advice and agreement of the Transport Department, LandsD may consider an application from the owner to convert the parking spaces for use by private vehicles either on a short-term or permanent basis with a view to putting the parking spaces to their optimal uses. LandsD will continue monitor the situation and liaise with the lot owner to further step up the measures if required.

Moreover, LandsD will explore with the Transport Department measures to make information on public vehicle parking spaces more widely accessible to the public. These may include publishing information of public vehicle parking spaces (such as car park location, type of car parking spaces, real-time parking space availability, etc.) including but not limited to those operated by private owners under lease through the GeoInfo Map (https://www.map.gov.hk), a public online map service provided by LandsD, as well as the GeoData Store (https://geodata.gov.hk), a portal for the public and application developers to

search and access of geospatial data. These would allow the public be have more convenient access to public vehicle carpark information and optimise the utilisation of the public vehicle parking spaces.

Yours faithfully,

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