

**Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene**

**List of follow-up actions**  
(position as at 2 June 2021)

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Date of meeting</b>	<b>Follow-up action required</b>	<b>Administration's response</b>
1. Promotion of sustainable fisheries development	9 February 2021 <i>(conducted by videoconferencing)</i>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following supplementary information:</p> <p>(a) since the establishment of the Sustainable Fisheries Development Fund ("SFDF") in 2014 to provide financial assistance for the fisheries industry to carry out projects which were conducive to sustainable development, whether there was an increase in (i) the number of people joining the fisheries industry and (ii) the average income of local fishermen and aquaculturists;</p> <p>(b) apart from the implementation of SFDF, whether any new policies/support measures would be introduced by the Administration or the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department ("AFCD") for promoting the sustainable development of the fisheries industry;</p> <p>(c) whether AFCD would review the operation of the Fisheries Development Loan Fund and streamline the relevant</p>	Response from the Administration awaited.

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		<p>application and vetting procedures in order to facilitate provision of financial support to projects which no longer received funding from SFDF after completion of the pilot scheme; and</p> <p>(d) whether AFCD would formulate new measures to facilitate development of recreational fisheries (e.g. whether consideration would be given to (i) amending the Marine Fish Culture Ordinance (Cap. 353) to designate water zones for conducting recreational fishing activities or (ii) adopting a separate set of regulatory requirements on mariculture rafts which had been allowed to conduct recreational fishing).</p>	
<p>2. Implementation of the Food Surveillance Programme ("FSP") in 2020</p>	<p>9 March 2021</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following supplementary information:</p> <p>(a) regarding the 26 100 samples of "vegetables, fruits and related products" collected for testing of pesticide residues, metallic contaminants, preservatives and pathogens under FSP in 2020 and the 25 samples of this food group tested with unsatisfactory results in the same year, a detailed breakdown by (i) sources and</p>	<p>The Administration's response was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1078/20-21 on 10 May 2021.</p>

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		<p>(ii) places from where the test samples were collected (e.g. checkpoints or food inspection offices at various control points, wholesale markets, retail outlets or supermarkets);</p> <p>(b) the respective numbers of samples of the food group "vegetables, fruits and related products" collected and tested under FSP in each of the past 10 years;</p> <p>(c) the respective numbers and names of Mainland registered vegetable farms whose vegetable samples collected for testing were found unsatisfactory (i.e. detected with excessive pesticide residues, metallic contaminants, preservatives or pathogens) in each of the past 10 years; and</p> <p>(d) the heaviest penalties imposed, over the past few years, on fresh provision shops or market stalls for selling chilled or frozen pork as fresh pork or selling fresh pork and un-prepackaged chilled pork on the same premises, violating the relevant provisions of the Food Business Regulation (Cap. 132X) and/or the Trade Descriptions Ordinance (Cap. 362).</p>	

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3. Site formation and associated infrastructural works for development of columbarium at Siu Ho Wan, Lantau Island (5841CL)	20 April 2021	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the Panel with the following supplementary information and, as and where appropriate, to include the information in its paper(s) to be submitted to the Public Works Subcommittee and the Finance Committee when funding approval was sought:</p> <p>(a) details of the traffic and transport arrangements (including public transport service arrangements, provision of parking space for various kinds of vehicles, parking arrangements, pick-up and drop-off points for private cars) to be adopted on normal weekdays and during the Ching Ming and Chung Yeung Festivals, facilitating members of the public to commute to and from the proposed columbarium at Siu Ho Wan;</p> <p>(b) the respective numbers of metered and/or free parking spaces to be provided on normal weekdays for private cars and/or specially-arranged buses/coaches (i) at the proposed pick-up/drop-off points for private cars, (ii) at Cheung Tung Road and Sham Shui Kok Drive and (iii) along the roads in the vicinity of the proposed columbarium;</p>	The Administration's response was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1117/20-21 on 27 May 2021.

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		<p>(c) whether the Administration would consider providing a car park at Siu Ho Wan in order to meet the vehicular traffic demand arising from the operation of the proposed columbarium in the future;</p> <p>(d) whether and how the Administration would compress the works timetable for the site formation and associated infrastructural works under discussion as well as the subsequent development of the proposed columbarium, for early completion and commissioning of the columbarium for the benefit of the public; and</p> <p>(e) whether the Modular Integrated Construction method would be adopted for constructing the proposed columbarium and relevant facilities and if yes, the estimated construction cost and time to be saved under the said construction method.</p>	
<p>4. Progress of the initiatives under the New Agriculture Policy</p>	<p>11 May 2021</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following supplementary information:</p> <p>(a) the latest progress of the consultancy study on Agricultural Priority Areas</p>	<p>Response from the Administration awaited.</p>

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		<p>("APAs"), commissioned in late 2018, to identify quality farmland for long-term agricultural use and the timetable for (i) completing the said consultancy study and (ii) starting the designation of farmland as APAs;</p> <p>(b) the estimated expenditure (including the costs for land resumption and clearance, design and construction works) for the establishment of Phase 2 of the Agricultural Park; and</p> <p>(c) whether the Administration would consider establishing a new fund to provide financial assistance/loans to livestock/poultry farmers affected by Government development projects, so as to facilitate the farmers' relocation of their livestock/poultry farms.</p>	
<p>5. Implementation of the Private Columbaria Ordinance (Cap. 630) ("PCO")</p>	<p>11 May 2021</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following supplementary information:</p> <p>(a) given that the Administration had, during the scrutiny of the Private Columbaria Bill, undertaken to conduct a review of PCO in any event around three years after its enactment (please refer to paragraph</p>	<p>Response from the Administration awaited.</p>

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		<p>10 of the Bills Committee report (LC Paper No. CB(2)1117/16-17)), whether and when the Administration would kick start the said review;</p> <p>(b) whether the Private Columbaria Licensing Board had set any performance pledges on the processing of applications for specified instruments from private columbaria and if yes, the details of the performance pledges and the specific number of days involved; and</p> <p>(c) details of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department's facilities for temporary storage of displaced ashes arising from cessation of operation of private columbaria, with respective number of temporary storage spaces available in each facility and photos showing the location of those temporary storage facilities.</p>	