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President's Foreword

".....The relationship between the Government and the Legislative Council was one of 'cooperating in part, while competing in full for community support.'"

The second session of the Third Legislative Council can best be described as "a year of records," many of which can be directly attributed to the controversial Interception of Communications and Surveillance Bill.

Records related to the Bill included: it was the first time since 1997 that a Legislative Council meeting was held in August; the Second Reading and Third Reading procedures of the bill lasted a record 57.5 hours; some 400 Committee Stage Amendments (CSAs) were proposed by the Government and Members, of which 105 Government CSAs were passed, both being record numbers in the Council's history.



Another record set in this session was the smallest number of bills introduced by the Government. Nonetheless, this did not mean Members had an easy time, because many of the bills were controversial, and Members had to work extra hard to scrutinize them.

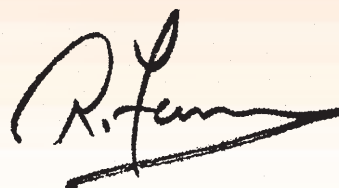
As President of the Legislative Council, it is my responsibility to make rulings on Council business, which I did on seven occasions during this session. In fulfilling this duty, I enforced the Rules of Procedure faithfully and ruled on Council matters by considering only procedural points and relevant precedents. My personal preferences were never taken into consideration.

The relationship between the Government and the Legislative Council was one of “cooperating in part, while competing in full for community support.” Such a relationship is natural, since both the executive authority and the legislature are accountable to the community; while at the same time, legislators are vested with the powers to monitor the Government.

Despite this difference in role, I feel that cooperation between the Government and the Legislative Council can be enhanced by strengthening the mutual trust and respect between Members and Government officials. One of the areas which can be improved on is the introduction of bills. I fully appreciate Members’ insistence that they be given adequate time to examine bills, because the Council would be blamed for any imperfection found in the legislation passed by us. I therefore strongly urge the Government to bring in legislative proposals as early as possible to provide Members with sufficient time for scrutiny.

During the session, 17 new bills were introduced into the Council, together with the 18 brought forward from the previous session, making a total of 35. Of these, 25 were enacted, with scrutiny of the remaining 10 carried forward to the next session. In all, 220 subsidiary legislation items were tabled for Council approval during the session, with scrutiny of 204 completed. In regard to the subsidiary legislation that required Council approval by resolution, the Government moved a total of 22 resolutions to either make or amend subsidiary legislation, all of which were passed.

In closing, I wish to express my sincere gratitude to my Legislative Council colleagues for their effort in discharging their duties and responsibilities by putting in long hours and meticulous work. I would also like to extend my appreciation to the Legislative Council Secretariat for their full support.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Fan', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Rita FAN

President

Legislative Council

Group Photo of Members



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:

First row (seated):
 Hon James TIEN Pei-chun
 Hon LI Fung-ying
 Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing
 Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye (President's Deputy)
 Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai (President)
 Hon Fred LI Wah-ming
 Hon CHAN Kam-lam
 Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah
 Hon MA Lik

Second Row:
 Hon CHAN Yuen-han
 Hon LAU Kong-wah
 Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong
 Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai
 Dr Hon YEUNG Sum
 Hon LAU Wong-fat
 Hon CHIM Pui-chung
 Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting
 Hon TAM Yiu-chung
 Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing
 Hon WONG Kwok-hing
 Hon CHOY So-yuk

Third Row:
 Hon TAM Heung-man
 Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong
 Hon Bernard CHAN
 Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit
 Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee
 Hon Vincent FANG Kang
 Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye
 Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung
 Hon Howard YOUNG
 Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po
 Hon LEE Cheuk-yan

Fourth Row:
 Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun
 Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung
 Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip
 Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah
 Hon LI Kwok-ying
 Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki
 Hon WONG Ting-kwong
 Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long
 Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing
 Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung
 Hon LAU Chin-shek
 Hon Albert HO Chun-yan

Fifth Row:
 Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan
 Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him
 Hon SIN Chung-kai
 Hon James TO Kun-sun
 Hon LEE Wing-tat
 Hon KWONG Chi-kin
 Hon Albert Jinghan CHENG
 Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming
 Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo
 Hon Daniel LAM Wai-keung

Absent:
 Hon Margaret NG
 Hon WONG Yung-kan
 Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee
 Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen
 Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung
 Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming

Major Events in Pictures

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL BUILDING OPEN DAY



Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai (centre), President of the Legislative Council, Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye (left) and Hon Fred LI Wah-ming, Chairman and Deputy Chairman respectively of the House Committee, officiate at the opening ceremony of the Legislative Council (LegCo) Building Open Day.

Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai acquaints students with the Building's facilities.





*Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye briefs visitors
on how committee meetings are
conducted in Conference Room B.*



*Hon Fred LI Wah-ming poses
with visiting students.*



In the Chamber, Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing (above) and Hon Audrey EU yuet-mee (right) brief visitors on the functions and work of the LegCo.





Hon WONG Ting-kwong explains the set-up of the Dining Hall to visitors.



The LegCo Building Open Day attracted more than 3,500 visitors.

LUNCHEON WITH FORMER MEMBERS



At the suggestion of some former Members and the endorsement of The Legislative Council Commission, a luncheon was held in the Dining Hall for former and present LegCo Members to provide a chance for them to meet. (From left): Mr Kenneth TING Woo-shou, Hon Jeffery LAM Kin-fung, Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai, Mr SZETO Wah, Mr Edward HO Sing-tin, Mr LAU Ping-cheung and Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kwok-long.

Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai greets two former Members, Mr SZETO Wah and Mrs Elsie TU.



Other guests at the reunion luncheon include (from left): Ms Christine LOH, Mr NG Leung-sing, Mr LIU Sing-lee, Mr Ronald ARCULLI and (facing away) Mrs Elsie TU.



LUNCHEON WITH CE, EXCO MEMBERS AND SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

Mr Micheal SUEN Ming-yeung, Secretary for Housing, Planning and Lands (right), chats with Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah (left) and Hon LI Kwok-ying.



Mr WONG Yan-lung, Secretary for Justice (left), speaks with Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah (centre) and Hon LEE Wing-tat.

Exchanging views during the luncheon are (from right): Mr Donald TSANG Yam-kuen, the Chief Executive; Hon Jeffery LAM Kin-fung; Mr Ambrose LEE Siu-kwong, Secretary for Security; and Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen.





Mr Donald TSANG Yam-kuen, Hon CHAN Kam-lam (left) and Hon James TIEN Pei-chun (right) chat at the pre-luncheon reception.



Hon Fred LI Wah-ming greets Mr Donald TSANG Yam-kuen.

SPRING RECEPTION



A Spring Reception is hosted by Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai for the Chief Executive, Executive Council Members, senior Government officials and fellow Legislative Council Members to celebrate the arrival of the Year of the Dog. Adding to the joyful occasion are performances by members of the Hong Kong Chinese Orchestra (above) and three Hong Kong Chinese University students, who play harmonica trio.

FRIENDLY FOOTBALL MATCH



The LegCo Football Team defeated the Dawn Homeless Football Team in its first match of the session.



Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing is the goalkeeper.



*Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung
(right) organizes a mid-field strike.*



*Mr Rafael HUI Si-yan, Chief Secretary for
Administration, kicks off a match between the
LegCo and Senior Government Officials teams.*



(From the top) Although Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo, Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip and Hon Bernard CHAN give their best, the LegCo Team is defeated by the Senior Government Officials team.





Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai kicks off a match between the LegCo and the Consuls-General teams.



Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai cheers on the LegCo team before the match begins.



The LegCo Football Team defeated the Consul-Generals Team.

BLOOD DONATION



In line with a tradition for LegCo Members to support the work the Hong Kong Red Cross by giving blood, this year, seven Members together with 25 LegCo Secretariat staff and members of the public donate blood in the LegCo Building. Those participating include (from the top) Hon LEE Wing-tat; Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan; Hon SIN Chung-kai and Hon WONG Kwok-hing.





ANNUAL TEA RECEPTION



An Annual Tea Reception is hosted by Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai for the new Boards of Directors of six charitable organizations. (From left): Mr CHAU Tak-wai, Chairman of Yan Chai Hospital; Mr Jimmy WONG Chi-ho, Chairman of Lok Sin Tong; Mr Andy LAU Kam-kwok, Chairman of Tung Wah Group of Hospitals; Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai; Mrs Louise D A MON, Chairman of Po Leung Kuk; Mr WONG Wai-kai, Chairman of Pok Oi Hospital; Ms Fiona CHEUNG Sum-yu, Chairman of Yan Oi Tong.

The Legislative Council

The Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) stipulates that the HKSAR shall be vested with legislative power and the Legislative Council is the legislature of the Region.

POWERS AND FUNCTIONS

As provided for in Article 73 of the Basic Law, the Legislative Council of the HKSAR exercises the following powers and functions:

- To enact, amend or repeal laws in accordance with the provisions of the Basic Law and legal procedures;
- To examine and approve budgets introduced by the Government;
- To approve taxation and public expenditure;
- To receive and debate the policy addresses of the Chief Executive;
- To raise questions on the work of the Government;
- To debate any issue concerning public interests;
- To endorse the appointment and removal of the judges of the Court of Final Appeal and the Chief Judge of the High Court;
- To receive and handle complaints from Hong Kong residents;
- If a motion initiated jointly by one-fourth of all the Members of the Legislative Council charges the Chief Executive with serious breach of law or dereliction of duty and if he or she refuses to resign, the Council may, after passing a motion for investigation, give a mandate to the Chief Justice of the Court of Final Appeal to form and chair an independent investigation

committee. The committee shall be responsible for carrying out the investigation and reporting its findings to the Council. If the committee considers the evidence sufficient to substantiate such charges, the Council may pass a motion of impeachment by a two-thirds majority of all its Members and report it to the Central People's Government for decision; and

- To summon, as required when exercising the above-mentioned powers and functions, persons concerned to testify or give evidence.

COMPOSITION

According to the Basic Law, the Legislative Council of the HKSAR is to be constituted by election. There are 60 Members for the Third Legislative Council (2004-2008), with 30 Members returned by geographical constituencies through direct elections and 30 Members by functional constituencies. The election for the Third Legislative Council was held on 12 September 2004 and the term of office is four years.

The President of the Legislative Council is elected by and from among Members of the Legislative Council.

The composition and biographies of Members who served on the Legislative Council in 2005-2006 are in **Appendices 1 and 2** respectively.

Legislative Council Meetings

Meetings of the Legislative Council are open to the public. They may be conducted in either Cantonese, English or Putonghua, with simultaneous interpretation provided. The proceedings of the meetings of the Council are broadcast live and are reported by the mass media. They are also recorded verbatim in the Official Record of Proceedings of the Meetings of the Legislative Council, which is accessible through the Legislative Council's website.

The business transacted at a regular Council meeting mainly comprises tabling of subsidiary legislation and other papers and reports; asking of questions for replies by the Government; consideration of bills; and debates on motions. During the period from October 2005 to August 2006, the Council held 37 meetings and sat for more than 385 hours.

TABLING OF SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION AND OTHER PAPERS

Subsidiary legislation is any proclamation, rule, regulation, order, resolution, notice, rule of court, bylaw or other instruments made by the designated authorities under or by virtue of the relevant ordinances. It is subject to the scrutiny of the Council, which may be through either the negative vetting procedure or the positive vetting procedure.

Subsidiary legislation scrutinized through the negative vetting procedure is first published in the Gazette and then laid on the table of the Council at its meetings. Where considered necessary, the Council's House Committee may set up a subcommittee to study the subsidiary legislation in detail. A Member or a public officer may, within a prescribed time limit, move a motion in Council to seek the Council's agreement to amend or repeal an item of subsidiary legislation that has been tabled.

During the session from October 2005 to August 2006, 220 items of subsidiary legislation were tabled in the Council. Six of these items were amended by resolution of the Council. Another two items are being scrutinized by subcommittees formed by the House Committee.

The scrutiny by the Council of subsidiary legislation through the positive vetting procedure is described later in this chapter, under Motions.

Other papers tabled at Council meetings include the annual reports of Government departments and public bodies, Government consultative documents, and reports of the Council's committees. Members and public officers presenting the reports may address the Council.

QUESTIONS

Any Member may address questions to the Government on its work for the purpose of either seeking information on such matter or asking for official action with regard to it. The Member specifies whether an oral or a written reply is required.

During the period under report, Members asked a total of 156 oral questions on a wide range of subjects at Council meetings, and followed up with 1,003 supplementary questions. Another 442 questions seeking written replies by the Government were also asked.

STATEMENTS

Statements may be made by Government officials on issues of public concern at Council meetings. During the period

under report, the Chief Secretary for Administration made a statement on “the Fifth Report of the Constitutional Development Task Force” at the Council meeting on 19 October 2005.



Mr Rafael HUI Si-yan, Chief Secretary for Administration, briefs Members on the Fifth Report of the Constitutional Development Task Force.

BILLS

The Government is primarily responsible for proposing new legislation or amendments to existing legislation, in the form of bills which are considered by the Council for enactment. Subject to meeting certain conditions, Members of the Council may also introduce bills into the Council. Broadly speaking, bills have one or more of the following purposes:

- To introduce new measures or policies, to create new organizations or institutions, or to make changes to existing organizations or institutions;
- To extend the scope of existing legislation;
- To improve and update existing legislation;

- To modify or reform the machinery of Government; or
- To appropriate funds for public expenditure and to raise revenue.

A bill is first published in the Gazette before it is introduced into the Council. It has to be given three readings for its passage by the Council. The First Reading is a formality, with the Clerk reading the short title of a bill at a Council meeting. The Second Reading of the bill starts with the Government official or Member who introduces the bill moving the motion “That the bill be read the second time” and explaining the purpose of the bill. Usually, after the motion has been moved, the debate on it is adjourned and the bill is referred to the House Committee to allow Members more time to study it, either in the House Committee or in a bills committee set up by the House Committee specifically for it.

The debate on the Second Reading resumes at a subsequent Council meeting after the bill has been studied. During the debate, Members present their views on the merits and principles of the bill and may indicate their support or otherwise. A vote is then taken by the Council on the motion “That the bill be read the second time”. If the motion is not passed, the bill cannot proceed further. If it is passed, the bill is given a Second Reading, and the Council will then sit as a “Committee of the whole Council” during which the Committee goes through the clauses of the bill, making amendments where agreed to by the Committee. After the bill has passed through the Committee of the whole Council with or without amendments, it is reported back to the Council for it to consider whether to support the passage of the bill by giving it the Third Reading.

When a bill has been given three readings, it becomes a piece of enacted law. Unless a later date has been specified, it may take effect after it is signed by the Chief Executive and promulgated in the Gazette.

Where the Council considers that the passage of a bill is sufficiently urgent, it may proceed with the “Second Reading” debate on the bill at the meeting at which the bill is introduced. If the bill receives Second Reading, the Council may proceed to the remaining stages at the same meeting.

During the period under report, 17 new bills were introduced and the Council completed proceedings on 25 bills, which were all passed. Of these bills, 20 were passed with amendments proposed by Government officials. A list of the bills passed is in **Appendix 3**.

MOTIONS

Motions are the mechanism through which most of the Council’s business is transacted. The processing of a bill is by way of a series of motions moved, debated and voted upon by the Council at various stages. Amendments to bills and the approval of or amendments to subsidiary legislation are also effected by way of motions.

Regarding subsidiary legislation which is scrutinized by the Council through the positive vetting procedure, the process starts with a Government official or a Member giving notice of a motion, to be moved at a future Council meeting, to make or amend an item of subsidiary legislation. The proposed motion is then studied by the House Committee which may decide to set up a subcommittee to study it in detail. Where Members consider it necessary, they may move amendments to the motion. During the period under report, Government officials moved a total of 22 motions to either

make or amend subsidiary legislation through the positive vetting procedure, and all were passed.

Apart from those relating to subsidiary legislation, motions may be moved by Members to exercise the Council’s power under the Basic Law, to amend the Council’s Rules of Procedure, or to invoke the Council’s powers under the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance, Cap. 382. During the report period, the motion moved by the Chief Secretary for Administration seeking the Council’s endorsement of the appointment of two non-permanent common law judges to the Hong Kong Court of Final Appeal was passed. The two motions moved by the Secretary for Constitutional Affairs to amend Annexes I and II to the Basic Law were negatived. The Council also passed seven motions to amend the Rules of Procedure.

POLICY ADDRESS DEBATE

The Chief Executive addresses the Council in every Legislative Council session on his policy proposals for



Mr Donald TSANG Yam-kuen, the Chief Executive, delivers his first Policy Address which emphasizes the strong governance of the Administration.

administering the HKSAR. At a meeting held after the Chief Executive has delivered his Policy Address, a motion is moved by the Chairman of the House Committee to thank the Chief Executive for his Address (Motion of Thanks). A debate then follows, with Members offering their comments on the Policy Address and senior Government officials responding to these comments. During the session, the Chief Executive delivered his Policy Address on 12 October 2005 and Members and Government officials debated the Motion of Thanks for three days on 26, 27 and 28 October 2005. The debate was divided into five debate sessions, each of which covered several related policy areas.

BUDGET DEBATE

Shortly before a financial year ends at the end of March, the Financial Secretary presents to the Council his Budget for the next financial year, which commences on 1 April each year, in the form of an Appropriation Bill and the Draft



Mr Henry TANG, Financial Secretary, announces the 2006-2007 Budget, the themes of which are recovery, enhancement, commitment and sharing.

Estimates, which are followed closely by legislative measures for implementing the Government's revenue proposals. These set out the Government's annual revenue and expenditure proposals for the following financial year. Legislation required for implementing the revenue proposals is presented in the form of bills or subsidiary legislation. After the proposed estimates of expenditure have been examined by the Finance Committee at its special meetings, the Appropriation Bill is brought back into the Council for



A series of Special Finance Committee meetings were held to examine the Estimates of Expenditure.

consideration and decision. For the 2006-2007 Budget, the Financial Secretary introduced the Appropriation Bill 2006 on 22 February 2006. The debate on the Budget took place on 22, 23 and 29 March 2006. The Appropriation Bill 2006 was passed on 29 March 2006.

OTHER DEBATES

All motions moved at Council meetings are debated and voted upon. Apart from motions with legislative or binding effect, Members also debate motions which do not have such effect. Such debates provide opportunities for Members to express their views on issues of public interest and for Government officials to respond to them. During the session under report, the Council debated 55 such motions moved by Members. Among these, 38 were passed with or without amendment and 17 were negated. These motions and the decisions of the Council on them are in *Appendix 4*.

Where a Member wishes to raise a topic for debate in Council but does not wish to formulate a motion in express terms, an adjournment debate may be proposed for Members to simply express their opinions on the topic and to elicit a response from the Government. Three motions for adjournment were moved during the period under report. At the Council meeting on 19 October 2005, Hon LAU Kong-wah moved a motion to adjourn the Council to enable Members to speak on the toll adjustment issues of Tate's Cairn Tunnel and Route 3 (Country Park Section). At the Council meeting on 23 November 2005, Hon Miriam LAU moved a motion to adjourn the Council for the purpose of debating the security and public order issues relating to the Sixth Ministerial Conference of the World Trade Organization. At the Council meeting on 5 July 2006, Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki moved a motion to adjourn the

Council to enable Members to debate the preventive and control measures adopted and emergency assistance provided to the trades by the Administration with regard to the repeated occurrence of human infection of avian influenza in the Mainland.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSIONS

In the session, five meetings of the Council were held during which the Chief Executive addressed the Council and answered questions put to him by Members.



Mr Donald TSANG Yam-kuen attended five Question and Answer sessions during the year, replying to a variety of enquires put forward by Members.

Committees

Through a system of committees, Members perform the critical roles of scrutinizing bills, controlling public expenditure, and monitoring the work of the Government. There are three standing committees, namely the Finance Committee, Public Accounts Committee and Committee on Members' Interests. The House Committee co-ordinates matters relating to the business to be considered at Council meetings and monitors the progress in the study of bills and subsidiary legislation. The scrutiny of bills which require more in-depth study is done through bills committees which report their deliberations to the House Committee. Panels are committees which monitor and examine policy issues. There are 18 panels whose formation and terms of reference are approved by the Council on the recommendation of the House Committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee consists of all Members of the Council except the President. The chairman and deputy chairman of the Committee are elected by and from among its members.

The Finance Committee is vested with the responsibility of scrutinizing public expenditure proposals. It holds special meetings after the introduction of the Appropriation Bill to examine the Estimates of Expenditure for the coming financial year. It meets on most Fridays to consider proposals which entail changes to the approved Estimates, or note financial implications of new policies.

During the 2005-2006 session, the Finance Committee held 15 regular meetings and examined a total of 43 items of proposals, including 16 items containing 76 proposals which



During the Finance Committee meeting on 23 June 2006, Members approved the funding of \$5.16 billion for the Tamar Development Project.



had been considered and supported by its two subcommittees, namely the Establishment Subcommittee and the Public Works Subcommittee.

The Establishment Subcommittee examines and makes recommendations to the Finance Committee on the Government's proposals for the creation, redeployment, and deletion of permanent and supernumerary directorate posts, and for changes to the structure of civil service grades and ranks. During the current session, the subcommittee, consisting of 15 members, held 6 meetings and examined a total of 20 items of proposals put forward by the Government. The membership of the subcommittee is in **Appendix 5**.

The Public Works Subcommittee examines and makes recommendations to the Finance Committee on the Government's proposals for the upgrading of projects to, or downgrading from, Category A of the Public Works Programme, or changes to the scope and approved estimates of projects already in that Category. During the current session, the subcommittee, consisting of 22 members, held 12 meetings and examined a total of 61 items of proposals put forward by the Government. The subcommittee also considered the list of potential submissions to the Public Works Subcommittee in the 2005-2006 legislative session. The membership of the subcommittee is in *Appendix 5*.

One of the major tasks of the Finance Committee is to examine the Estimates of Expenditure following the introduction of the Appropriation Bill to the Council. For the 2006-2007 Estimates, the Finance Committee held a series of six special meetings consisting of 19 sessions from 13 to 16 March 2006. Prior to the special meetings, the Financial Secretary briefed members on the 2006-2007 Budget, while the Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury provided further information on the Estimates of Expenditure. A total of 2,415 written questions were then put to the Government for written replies to facilitate deliberation at the special meetings. A total of 94 supplementary written questions and 40 verbal requests arising from the meetings were further put forward to the Government for additional information.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

The Public Accounts Committee is a standing committee of the Council. It is responsible for considering the reports of the Director of Audit on the accounts of the Government and the results of value for money audits on the Government



Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong (centre), Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee, presides over a meeting.

and other organizations which are within the purview of public audit. The committee may call for explanation and obtain evidence from public officers, management staff of public organizations and other relevant persons, if considered necessary.

The committee comprises seven members elected by Members and appointed by the President. The membership of the committee is in *Appendix 5*.



Mr LEUNG Chin-man, a former Director of Buildings, gives evidence during a Public Accounts Committee hearing on the development of a Sai Wan Ho site.

During the 2005-2006 session, the committee examined the Director of Audit's Report on the Accounts of the Government for the year ended 31 March 2005 and the Reports on the Results of Value for Money Audits (Reports Nos. 45 and 46). The conclusions and recommendations of the committee are contained in Public Accounts Committee Reports Nos. 45 and 46, which were tabled in Council on 15 February 2006 and 12 July 2006 respectively.

COMMITTEE ON MEMBERS' INTERESTS

The Committee on Members' Interests is a standing committee of the Council. It considers matters pertaining to Members' declaration of interests and matters of ethics in relation to their conduct, and makes recommendations on matters relating to Members' interests. It also examines arrangements for the compilation, maintenance and accessibility of the Register of Members' Interests.

The seven members of the committee are elected by Members and appointed by the President. The membership of the committee is in *Appendix 5*.

The committee held seven open meetings to consider the setting up of a mechanism for handling complaints and allegations concerning Members' Operating Expenses Reimbursement Claims, and to review the registration requirements for remunerated directorships. The committee



Members of the Committee on Members' Interests meet with an Irish Parliamentary delegation to exchange views on matters of mutual interest and concern.

also organized a meeting-cum-luncheon with a delegation from the Committee on Members' Interests of the Dáil Éireann (i.e. House of Representatives) of the Parliament of Ireland during the period under report.

HOUSE COMMITTEE

The House Committee comprises all Members, except the President, who elect from among themselves the chairman and deputy chairman. While the Legislative Council is in session, the House Committee normally meets weekly and meetings are open to the public.

Mr Rafael HUI Si-yan, Chief Secretary for Administration, attends a Special House Committee meeting to brief Members on the progress of the West Kowloon Cultural District Development.



The House Committee prepares for meetings of the Council and considers matters relating to Council business. One important function of the House Committee is to scrutinize bills introduced into the Council and subsidiary legislation tabled in Council or presented to the Council for approval. The House Committee may form bills committees to scrutinize bills, or appoint subcommittees to study subsidiary legislation. The House Committee then monitors progress and studies reports from the bills committees and subcommittees concerned.

The House Committee may refer to the relevant panels for consideration any policy matters relating to Council business. The House Committee may also form subcommittees to study issues straddling several policy areas, or any other items relating to the business of the Council.

The House Committee also serves as a focal point for establishing a formal and regular dialogue with the

Government. The chairman and deputy chairman of the House Committee meet the Chief Secretary for Administration on a regular basis to discuss matters of mutual concern.

During the 2005-2006 session, a total of 31 regular meetings of the House Committee were held.

Other Subcommittees of the House Committee

The House Committee may appoint subcommittees to study issues straddling several policy areas, or any other items relating to the business of the Council. The following subcommittees were in operation during the 2005-2006 session –

- Parliamentary Liaison Subcommittee;
- Subcommittee to Examine the Implementation in Hong Kong of Resolutions of the United Nations Security Council in relation to Sanctions;
- Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement;
- Subcommittee to Study the Subject of Combating Poverty;



Members of the Subcommittee to Study the Subject of Combating Poverty present their report to the Council and share their findings with the media.

- Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to the Provision of Boarding Places, Senior Secondary Education and Employment Opportunities for Children with Special Educational Needs;



Members of the Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to the Provision of Boarding Places, Senior Secondary Education and Employment Opportunities for Children with Special Educational Needs visit two local secondary schools to better understand the needs of students with learning difficulties.

- Subcommittee to Study the Administration's Proposals for the Methods for Selecting the Chief Executive in 2007 and for Forming the Legislative Council in 2008;
- Subcommittee to Study the Transport Needs of and Provision of Concessionary Public Transport Fares for Persons with Disabilities;
- Subcommittee on Proposed Senior Judicial Appointment; and
- Subcommittee on West Kowloon Cultural District Development.

The memberships of these subcommittees are in *Appendix 5*.



Members of the Subcommittee on West Kowloon Cultural District Development announce the contents of their Phase II Study Report.

The Subcommittee on West Kowloon Cultural District Development completed its Phase I and Phase II study on the West Kowloon Cultural District (WKCD) project with the respective reports published in July 2005 and January 2006. The subcommittee put forward a series of recommendations in the two phases of its study. Amongst others, the subcommittee recommended the abandonment of the single-package approach, adoption of an integrated and co-ordinated approach in planning the project, setting up of a statutory authority to oversee the planning and implementation of the project, and separation of the cultural and non-cultural components for re-assessing the extent of public-private partnership in financing the project.

Following the Government's announcement in February 2006 that it would not further pursue the project under the Invitation for Proposals process and that a Consultative Committee was formed to re-examine the scope of core arts and cultural facilities in WKCD, the subcommittee considered it necessary to continue to monitor the Government's work on the development of WKCD. Nevertheless, in order not to duplicate efforts, the

(Above) Members of the Bills Committee on Smoking (Public Health) Amendment Bill 2005 visit a hospitality premise to observe the operation of the industry and (below) a smoking room in a bar where they are briefed on the operation of the room's independent ventilation system.

subcommittee decided that pending the outcome of the work of the Consultative Committee, the subcommittee would in the meantime focus on the approaches and strategies for the planning and implementation of the project.

COMMITTEE ON RULES OF PROCEDURE

The Committee on Rules of Procedure is responsible for reviewing the Rules of Procedure of the Council and the committee system, and for proposing to the Council such amendments or changes as are considered necessary.

The committee consists of a chairman, a deputy chairman and 10 members appointed by the President in accordance with the recommendations of the House Committee. The membership of the committee is in *Appendix 5*.

During the period under report, the committee held a total of five meetings to study a wide range of subjects relating to the procedural arrangements of the Council, and the procedures and working mechanism of the committees of the Council.

The committee presented seven papers to the House Committee recommending changes to current procedures. The committee also presented a report to the Council on 12 July 2006 summarizing its deliberations on specific subjects during the period under report.

BILLS COMMITTEES AND SUBCOMMITTEES ON SUBSIDIARY LEGISLATION


The House Committee may allocate bills, except the Appropriation Bill and bills not referred to the House



Committee by the Council, to bills committees for detailed scrutiny. All Members, other than the President, may join any bills committee. The chairman of each bills committee is elected from among its members. Government officials and members of the public may be invited to attend its meetings.

A bills committee considers the principles and merits of the bill concerned as well as its detailed provisions, and may propose amendments relevant to the bill. It may also appoint subcommittees for the purpose of assisting in the performance of its functions. After a bills committee has completed scrutiny of a bill, it notifies the House Committee and advises the committee in writing of its deliberations. The bills committee is dissolved on the enactment of the bill concerned or as decided by the House Committee.

During the 2005-2006 session, a total of 26 bills were scrutinized by bills committees. Of these, 17 bills committees completed their scrutiny work and reported to the House Committee. Nine bills committees were still in action.



A total of 16 subcommittees considered 20 items of subsidiary legislation tabled in Council, one item of subsidiary legislation not required to be tabled in Council and four proposed resolutions presented by the Government for the Council's approval. The memberships of these bills committees and subcommittees are in *Appendix 5*.

Reports of these bills committees and subcommittees are available on the LegCo website at www.legco.gov.hk.

PANELS

Panels are committees of the Council tasked to monitor and examine Government policies. Panels provide a forum for Members to deliberate on policy matters and study issues relating to the policy areas of their corresponding bureaux, which are of wide public concern. The items for discussion can be brought up by members of the panel, referred to it by the House Committee or other committees, proposed by the Government, or raised by other Members following meetings with District Councils or upon receipt of complaints or representations. Panels also give views on major legislative and financial proposals before their introduction into the Council or Finance Committee respectively. To enhance the effectiveness of panels in scrutinizing such proposals, a series of measures agreed by the House Committee on the recommendation of the Committee on Rules of Procedure have been put in place to ensure early consultation with the relevant panel(s) on such proposals and to allow more thorough discussion of the policy aspects of the proposals.

A panel may appoint subcommittees to study specific issues and present reports to the Council as it considers appropriate.

Each panel is headed by a chairman elected from among its members. Memberships of the 18 panels in the 2005-2006 session and their subcommittees are shown in *Appendix 5*.

Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services

In response to the concern of the panel that judicial independence should not be subject to executive influence and the Judiciary should be provided with adequate resources for the proper administration of justice, the Administration had adopted a revised budgetary arrangement for the Judiciary's Estimates for 2006-2007, which would be extended as standing practice for the coming Estimates.

Having regard to the panel's views and concerns, the Administration had discussed with the Mainland authorities and come up with a revised proposal on reciprocal enforcement of judgment in commercial matters with the Mainland. Under the revised proposal, the arrangement would only apply if the parties concerned expressly agreed in writing to designate a court of the Mainland or the HKSAR to have exclusive jurisdiction for resolving any dispute. A set of special procedures would be in place to address the common law requirements of finality. The panel noted that the arrangement would only become effective when the HKSAR had completed the relevant legislative procedures and the Mainland had promulgated a judicial interpretation to give effect to the arrangement.



The panel was disappointed that the Administration maintained that the existing policy of not imposing criminal liability on the Government and public officers should be retained, as the existing system of reporting any contraventions to the Chief Secretary for Administration was considered adequate. The panel was of the view that the issue of public officers' immunity from criminal liability should be looked into on a case-by-case basis when legislative opportunities arose. Where a reporting mechanism was provided in lieu of criminal liability on the public officers concerned, measures should be taken to ensure the effectiveness and transparency of the mechanism by taking appropriate disciplinary action against individual officers responsible for the contravention and making public such disciplinary action.

The panel discussed the proposals for limitation of liability put forward by some professional sectors, including the legal profession, and considered that Hong Kong's professional liability framework had not evolved in step with its economic and financial developments and was trailing behind other sophisticated jurisdictions. The panel expressed great disappointment at the Administration's decision not to carry out studies on the proposals for limitation of liability during the remainder of the Chief Executive's term of office.

A one-year Pilot Scheme on Mediation of Legally Aided Matrimonial Cases was launched by the Administration in March 2005. In its interim progress report to the panel, the Administration stated that it would examine the propriety of turning the Pilot Scheme into a standing feature of legal aid services, and evaluate the resource implications of


providing legal aid for mediation of matrimonial cases, as well as the operational and legislative requirements involved.

The panel expressed grave concern about the legality of the operation of recovery agents, which were organizations providing services to help clients handle their claims for accident compensation in return for a fee as a percentage of the recovered damages. The panel urged that measures be implemented to regulate recovery agents, including instituting prosecution and introducing legislation. The Administration had implemented measures to increase the public awareness of the inappropriate activities of recovery agents, and would consider bringing prosecution proceedings if evidence of criminal acts was uncovered.

In response to the request of the panel, the Administration was conducting a comprehensive review of the current system and level of remuneration for lawyers in criminal legal aid work, which was considered unsatisfactory and unrealistically low by the legal profession.

Panel on Commerce and Industry

The panel monitored the preparatory work for the Sixth Ministerial Conference (MC6) of the World Trade Organization held in Hong Kong from 13 to 18 December 2005. In reviewing the event after its conclusion with the Administration, the panel shared the view that MC6 had been successfully hosted. The panel also found it encouraging that after rounds of tough negotiations, ministers had adopted the Hong Kong Ministerial Declaration, which was a major step forward in the multilateral trade negotiations under the Doha Development Agenda. Members considered that the



achievements of MC6 in the various negotiating areas should be widely publicized in order to send a positive signal on trade liberalization.

The panel welcomed the implementation of the Third Phase of The Mainland and Hong Kong Closer Economic Partnership Arrangement (CEPA) commencing 1 January 2006, under which all products of Hong Kong origin, with a few exceptions, could be exported to the Mainland tariff-free. The panel urged the Administration to take proactive action to promote CEPA to overseas investors. The Administration should also render assistance to traditional local industries, such as textiles and garments, to move up the value chain in order to tap the full advantage of the liberalization measures under CEPA. The Administration assured the panel that it would continue to make efforts to promote the business opportunities under CEPA.

The panel received a briefing by the various Heads of the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Offices (ETOs) and the Office of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region in Beijing on the major activities and the latest development in economic and trade related matters under their respective purview. The panel appreciated the assistance rendered by the ETOs in forging closer economic and trade relationships with the places concerned. On provision of assistance to Hong Kong residents in the Mainland, the panel was pleased to note that the function of the Guangdong ETO had been enhanced to provide practical assistance to Hong Kong residents in distress. Some members considered that the support should be extended to Hong Kong residents taking up employment in the Mainland.

On innovation and technology development, the panel expressed support for the establishment of the Research and Development Centre on Information and Communications Technologies, which came into operation in April 2006. Whilst concurring that the establishment of the Centre would promote development of information and communications technologies and enhance commercialization of the research products, the panel stressed the importance of putting in place a proper mechanism for deciding intellectual property rights and sharing of benefits generated from the research projects.

The panel examined the Administration's legislative proposals on various copyright-related issues before the amendment bill was introduced into the Council for scrutiny. Members urged the Administration to fully consider the views expressed by various stakeholders in finalizing the proposals.

Panel on Constitutional Affairs

Some members expressed concern about the inclusion of appointed District Council (DC) members in the package of proposals for selecting the Chief Executive (CE) in 2007 and for forming the Legislative Council (LegCo) in 2008 in the Fifth Report of the Constitutional Development Task Force. The panel was consulted on the adjustments to the proposed package, i.e. to reduce the maximum number of appointed DC seats from the existing 102 to 68 when the new term of DC commenced in January 2008, and to decide before the end of 2011 whether the remaining appointed DC seats should be abolished in 2012 or 2016, which would be made on condition that the two motions to give effect to



the electoral package would be endorsed by LegCo on 21 December 2005.

Some members considered that the panel should reach a consensus on the timing and the models for implementation of the ultimate aim of universal suffrage as provided in Articles 45 and 68 of the Basic Law. The panel held discussions on different models for selecting CE and forming LegCo by universal suffrage.

In connection with the 2007 CE election, the panel was consulted on amendments to the Chief Executive Election Ordinance. Regarding the proposal to provide for election proceedings to continue in the event that only one CE candidate was validly nominated, the panel discussed whether arrangements should be made to ensure finality to the electoral proceedings. The panel also discussed some members' proposals that an upper limit should be imposed on the number of subscribers required for nominating candidates for the office of CE, and the electorate base of the Election Committee and functional constituencies should be expanded.

Regarding the 2007 DC election, the panel supported the proposal to extend the financial assistance scheme introduced for candidates in the LegCo election to the DC election. The panel considered that, in calculating the amount of financial assistance payable to election candidates, financial assistance provided by a political party to its members standing in an election should not be counted as election donations.

Following the announcement of CE in his 2005-2006 Policy Address that the Government would allow DCs to


participate in the management of some district facilities, and the publication of the Consultation Document on "Role, Functions and Composition of the District Councils" in April 2006, the panel held a number of meetings to discuss and receive public views on relevant issues.

The panel was briefed on the establishment and functions of the Mainland Affairs Liaison Office (MALO) to coordinate more effectively the Government's efforts to strengthen liaison with the Mainland and to facilitate exchanges and co-operation with provinces/regions in various aspects. The panel was also briefed on the adjustment of functions of the Beijing Office and the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office in Guangdong, as well as the establishment of Economic and Trade Offices in Chengdu and Shanghai.

A subcommittee formed under the panel discussed in detail the Administration's proposal to introduce legislative amendments to subject CE to the control of the Prevention of Bribery Ordinance (POBO). A major concern of the subcommittee was the need for and implications of the proposal to enable the Secretary for Justice to refer to LegCo a report of the CE being suspected to have committed the POBO offences for possible follow-up action under Article 73(9) of the Basic Law. The Administration had undertaken to introduce the legislative amendments by May 2006.

Panel on Economic Services

During the 2005-2006 session, the panel reviewed the operational and ticketing arrangements as well as the entry and crowd management strategies for the Hong Kong Disneyland and the Hong Kong Wetland Park. The panel



urged the Administration to step up publicity for educating the public on rules to conserve the environment in the Hong Kong Wetland Park. Ngong Ping 360 (comprising the Ngong Ping Skyrail and Ngong Ping Village) was also kept under review by the panel. Members reviewed the reasons leading to the deferred opening of Ngong Ping Skyrail and called on the Administration and the operator to formulate effective rescue plans to deal with various emergencies.

The panel was briefed on the latest development of the Digital Trade and Transportation Network System, which aimed at providing a neutral and open e-platform for logistics players in the supply chain to exchange data. In the face of competition from nearby regions, the panel considered it necessary for the Administration to make every effort to improve efficiency and provide speedy, reliable and value-added logistics services so as to maintain Hong Kong's position as an international hub.

On airport and aviation services, the panel reviewed with the Administration and various stakeholders the planning and implementation of domestic and cross-boundary heliport facilities in Hong Kong. Members took the opportunity to request the Administration to expedite the review on the replacement of the existing air traffic control management system in the Hong Kong International Airport, and to ensure timely provision of new air cargo terminal facilities to cope with the increasing demand for movement of air cargo.

In December 2005, the panel was briefed on the annual tariff revision plans by the two power companies. Given the limitations in the existing Scheme of Control Agreements (SCAs) signed between the Government and the two power companies, and in order to ensure that the public could continue to enjoy reliable, safe and efficient energy supplies at reasonable prices, the panel attached great importance to the on-going review of the proposed regulatory framework for the future electricity market in Hong Kong after the expiry of the SCAs in 2008. The panel held a series of meetings to review with the Administration and the two power companies issues relating to the future market development, regulation on return and tariff, environmental impact of electricity supply, etc. Meetings were also held to collect views and comments from various stakeholders, academics and local groups.

Following the gas explosion incident at Ngau Tau Kok in April 2006, the panel discussed with the Administration and the gas company the root causes of the incident. Members called on the Administration and the gas company to enhance the reliability of leakage surveys of existing pipelines, and accelerate the replacement programme for existing pipelines to ensure public safety.

The panel reviewed with the Administration the competition policy and examined ways to enhance competition in the local auto-fuel market. Moreover, the panel kept in view the need for introducing comprehensive and cross-sector legislation on fair competition so as to enhance economic efficiency and free trade, thereby also benefiting consumer welfare.



Panel on Education

Members were supportive of the provision of three-year junior secondary and three-year senior secondary education for students with special educational needs, including students with intellectual disability. Members noted that students who were physically disabled or hearing-impaired would be provided with 10 years of basic education, while students with intellectual disability would be provided with nine years of basic education. Members queried the disparity of treatment, and considered that students with intellectual disability should also be provided with 10 years of basic education.

The panel expressed grave concern about the Administration's proposals to restructure secondary school classes from the 2007-2008 school year onwards, which would lead to closure of a large number of secondary schools. Members pointed out that the surplus of secondary schools was attributed to the poor planning of the Administration, and the consequences should not be borne by schools. Members urged the Administration to withdraw the proposals and discuss further with the school sector. They also requested the Administration to implement small class teaching to address the problem of declining student population.

Members were concerned about the over-supply of sub-degree places and the quality of sub-degree programmes. They were of the view that the current provision of 840 articulation places in the second year and the third year of undergraduate programmes in University Grants Committee-funded institutions was far from adequate.

Members called on the Administration to increase the provision of first-year-first-degree places in University Grants Committee-funded institutions to meet the need of sub-degree holders to pursue university education.

Members supported the provision of integrated education for non-Chinese speaking ethnic minority students. Members considered it necessary to have more selected or voluntary schools in each of the five electoral constituencies for enrolment of non-Chinese speaking students. On top of the existing schools conventionally admitting a larger number of non-Chinese speaking students, the Administration agreed to identify in each of the five electoral constituencies one to two mainstream schools for admitting non-Chinese speaking students. Members also urged the Administration to provide an alternative curriculum in the subject of Chinese Language for these students in primary and secondary schools to facilitate their access to vocational training and tertiary education.

Members expressed concern about the imposition of the social needs test for eligibility for full-day fee remission under the Kindergarten and Child Care Centre Fee Remission Scheme. Members considered that whole-day pre-primary education was in line with whole-day primary and secondary education, and parents should have a choice to decide whether their children should attend half-day or full-day schooling. The panel requested for the removal of the social needs test from the 2006-2007 school year onwards. The Administration responded that the issue of the social needs test should be examined in the context of the comprehensive review on pre-primary education, which was underway. The panel did not accept the Administration's stance.

Panel on Environmental Affairs

The panel continued to monitor the strategies adopted in addressing air pollution. Outdoor air quality was affected by regional and local air pollution. Local air pollution was mainly attributed to emissions from vehicles and power plants. The increased use of coal for power generation had further aggravated the situation. To reduce the reliance on coal, members opined that consideration should be given to developing renewable energy and implementing energy conservation and efficiency measures on a wider scale. They welcomed the Administration's proposal to link the emission performance of power companies with the permitted rate of return. As regards emissions from vehicles, members urged the Administration to provide incentives, such as concessions on First Registration Tax, to encourage the use of more environmentally friendly hybrid vehicles which ran on a combination of petrol and electricity.


The panel welcomed the Administration's promulgation of its policy framework on the management of municipal solid waste (MSW) for the next decade. The policy framework set out a comprehensive strategy on waste avoidance, reuse, recycling, recovery, bulk reduction and disposal of unavoidable waste. Members considered the target of reducing the annual generation of MSW by 1% up to 2014 too conservative. While supporting the introduction of mandatory producer responsibility schemes, they had serious reservation on the proposed umbrella legislative approach. By introducing detailed regulatory requirements through subsidiary legislation after the enabling legislation had been enacted, there were uncertainties of what exactly would be put under control. In this connection, the

Administration was urged to submit for consultation at least one of the items of subsidiary legislation together with the principal legislation to facilitate understanding of the proposed control regime. To allow sufficient time for scrutiny of the subsidiary legislation, consideration should be given to using the positive vetting procedure.



A delegation of the Panel on Environmental Affairs conducted a 11-day duty visit to Japan, Denmark and Finland to acquire first-hand information on the latest development in these countries on the avoidance and mitigation of environmental pollution in respect of waste management, air pollution control and water quality management. During their stay in Denmark, they visited the wind turbines on the islands of Lolland and Falster, accompanied by members of the Danish Energy Authority.

Road traffic noise had become a severe environmental problem. The panel commissioned the Research and Library Services Division of the LegCo Secretariat to study the government policies and mechanisms in determining the need for mitigation measures to tackle the traffic noise problems in Hong Kong and some overseas places. The panel



noted the Administration's draft plan to tackle road traffic noise, but considered that many of these measures would involve time-consuming studies. As an imminent measure, they urged the Administration to consider providing incentives to the transport trades with a view to encouraging heavy vehicles to refrain from entering residential areas or use diverted routes at night. Consideration should be given to rejecting proposals of residential developments on sites where the surrounding traffic noise levels already exceeded the noise limit. The noise levels which the developments would be exposed to should be stated in the sales brochures so that prospective buyers could make an informed decision.

Other issues discussed by the panel included the draft Hong Kong Implementation Plan under the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants, Mandatory Energy Efficiency Labelling Scheme, nature conservation and various sewerage projects.

Panel on Financial Affairs

The panel continued to provide a forum for Members to exchange views periodically with the Financial Secretary on matters relating to macro-economic issues. The panel was pleased to note the sustainable growth in Hong Kong's economy and the restoration of fiscal balance in the Government's Operating and Consolidated Accounts in 2005-2006. Given the improvement in economic performance and Government's fiscal position, members requested the Administration to provide tax relief to the public. Moreover, noting the rise in the number of low-income households by nearly 100,000 over the past decade,

members urged the Administration to combat poverty and address the problem of the widened gap between the rich and the poor.

In view of the increased competition from other economies, the panel examined with the Administration the strategies for maintaining Hong Kong's status as an international financial centre and avoiding Hong Kong's financial market from being marginalized. The panel supported the Administration's initiatives to seek continuous improvement of the regulatory regime; to maintain the stability of the financial market; to facilitate the development of new financial products; to enhance liaison and cooperation with the Mainland; to enhance international cooperation; and to train and pool talents of the financial services sector.

The budget and corporate governance of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA) was always high on the agenda of the panel. The panel invited the Governance Subcommittee (GSC) of the Exchange Fund Advisory Committee to discuss with members various governance issues, including measures to enhance the transparency of HKMA. Suggestions to enhance the disclosure of details of HKMA's annual budget and its regulatory framework and funding mechanism were put to GSC. GSC considered that the present mechanism should be maintained, but agreed that transparency should be improved wherever possible without affecting the proper and efficient operations of HKMA. The panel exchanged views with GSC also on the post-termination employment rules applicable to HKMA staff so as to forestall real or potential conflict of interest.

For the purpose of enhancing investor protection, issues examined by the panel included regulation of market misconduct; regulation of trading of derivative warrants; regulation of Real Estate Investment Trusts; and regulation of securities margin financing. To address risks arising from securities margin financing, the panel was of the view that as a matter of principle, securities margin finance providers should not be allowed to re-pledge the collateral of non-borrowing margin clients, and that the Securities and Futures Commission (SFC) should work out a concrete timetable for achieving complete segregation of borrowing and non-borrowing margin clients' collateral so as to enhance investor protection and enable Hong Kong's regulatory system to meet international standards. Given the need for SFC to study the cost implications of complete segregation, a large majority of members of the panel urged that the proposal of imposing a re-pledging limit be implemented as soon as possible as a first step to enhance investor protection.

The panel examined the impact of the recent trend in reducing branches of banks with the Hong Kong Association of Banks (HKAB), the Consumer Council and the Administration. Whilst appreciating that it was a commercial decision of individual banks to decide on the number and location of their branches, members stressed that banks had the corporate social responsibility to ensure that the basic need of the public for banking services was catered for. As reduction in branches of banks had caused great inconvenience to members of the public, in particular the elderly and the disabled, the panel urged HKAB to work in collaboration with the Administration and other parties

concerned to address the need of the public, in particular the less privileged groups, for banking services.

Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene

In view of the outbreaks of avian influenza in various different parts of the world, some panel members urged the Administration to step up monitoring of migratory birds and pet birds, and expedite the establishment of a central



Members of the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene visit a freshwater fish farm and an organic farm in the New Territories.



or regional slaughtering plant for poultry as a long-term measure to reduce human contact with live poultry. Some other members expressed reservations about the viability of such a plant, given the keen competition from chilled chickens from the Mainland. The panel urged the

Administration to provide a level-playing field for all operators of the poultry trade.



Members of the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene visit the live poultry stalls in Tai Kok Tsui Complex.

The panel also urged the Administration to fully consult the trades and assist them to switch to the new mode of operation or other business, as the proposed prohibition of the sale of live poultry at retail markets upon the operation of the slaughtering plant in 2009 would seriously affect the live poultry trade.


Following the discovery of the presence of malachite green in eels and freshwater fish in the summer of 2005, the panel held a series of meetings with the Administration. The Administration subsequently reached agreement with the Mainland authorities that freshwater fish for supply to Hong Kong must come from registered farms and accompanied with health certificates. Legislative amendments were also introduced to prohibit the import and sale of fish with malachite green.

To plug the loophole in current legislation that live fish was not regulated as food, the panel urged the Administration to expedite the introduction of legislation to regulate the importation, wholesale and distribution of live fish and fishery products. The Administration agreed to put in place a regulatory framework for live fish and revert to the panel when the legislative proposal was ready.

The panel expressed concern about Greenpeace's findings that residues of prohibited pesticides were found in vegetable samples sourced from some supermarkets. The panel urged the Administration to step up the monitoring of pesticide residues in vegetables sold in Hong Kong, and to introduce a voluntary registration system for local farmers engaged in commercial production of food produce.



Members of the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene monitor the inspection of the first batch of chilled pork from the Mainland by health inspectors at Man Kam To Food Control Office.



Regarding importation of chilled pork from the Mainland, members expressed divergent views on whether such imports should await introduction of the legislation to require separation of sale of chilled pork and fresh pork at different premises. Some members considered that the problem of unscrupulous traders selling defrosted chilled pork as fresh pork should be resolved first before allowing import of chilled pork from the Mainland. Other members considered that import of chilled pork from the Mainland should not be delayed if such pork could meet Hong Kong's hygiene and import requirements. Following further discussions by the panel, the legislation requiring separation of sale of fresh and chilled meat was introduced in July 2006.


Panel on Health Services

The Administration briefed the panel on the development of the notification mechanism in respect of infectious diseases between the Mainland and Hong Kong. Some members proposed that the Government should request the Mainland to notify Hong Kong of all suspected cases of human infection to ensure that timely response could be made to prevent any onslaught of infectious diseases from across the border. The Administration agreed to explore the feasibility of the proposal with the Mainland authorities concerned.

The panel was consulted on the Administration's plan to seek funding support for six additional Chinese medicine clinics in the public sector. Members considered that the pace of introducing Chinese medicine service in the public sector was too slow and fell far short of the Administration's target of establishing 18 Chinese medicine clinics by 2005-

2006 as originally pledged. They also pointed out that the slow pace of development of Chinese medicine was not conducive to providing sufficient clinical training grounds for local Chinese medicine graduates. Members considered that the number of Chinese medicine graduates being trained by the public sector was too small to have any impact on raising the standard of Chinese medicine practice, as each of the six new clinics would employ only five Chinese medicine graduates to undergo training for one year. Some members suggested that Chinese medicine graduates could be employed on a part-time instead of a full time basis so that more graduates could benefit from the training.

In view of an increasing number of complaints about the practices of health maintenance organizations (HMOs), the panel invited representatives of the trade, the medical and dental professional associations, the Consumer Council and a patients rights' group to give views on the subject. Members considered that the existing regulatory regime to ensure the quality of medical services provided by the HMOs was far from adequate, as the Medical Council of Hong Kong could only regulate doctors on an individual basis. Members expressed concern that patients' health and interests might risk being compromised by the HMOs' drive for profits, and that the professional autonomy of doctors and dentists working for HMOs might also risk being compromised by the HMOs' business and financial considerations. The Administration considered that the suggestion of requiring the appointment of a medical director who would be held accountable for the medical decisions in HMOs could be further pursued. A number of issues, including the detailed role of such medical directors, the need for registration, the



appropriate regulator, and the delineation of responsibilities between medical directors, frontline doctors and owners of the medical practices, needed to be studied.

Panel on Home Affairs

The panel continued to closely monitor the submission of reports to the United Nations (UN) under various international human rights treaties by the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) and its progress in implementing the recommendations made by the UN Treaty Monitoring Bodies concerned.

Some members were disappointed at the slow progress made by the Government in implementing the recommendations made by the UN Human Rights Committee. They urged the Administration to set up an independent human rights institution to implement the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.

Concern was expressed by some members that the coordination of programmes and policies pertaining to children's rights was sectoral and fragmented. They considered that the Administration should set up a central body for the effective implementation of the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

The panel also discussed the second report of HKSAR under the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. Some members felt strongly that the Administration should appoint representatives of trade unions and more women of grassroots background to the Women's Commission.


The panel continued to review the Administration's progress in introducing legislation against racial discrimination. The

Administration briefed the panel on the main provisions of the proposed Race Discrimination Bill. Some members were of the view that the scope of the Bill should be extended to cover discrimination against new arrivals from the Mainland.

The panel received a briefing by the Secretary for Home Affairs on Hong Kong's cultural policy. Some members were of the view that assistance to the development of new and small arts groups and artists was inadequate and a dedicated fund should be set up for subsidizing budding arts groups. They also expressed concern about the dominant role of the Administration in the provision of cultural facilities and resources deployment.

The panel discussed the Administration's proposal to increase the approved project estimate for the Tseung Kwan O Sports Ground project. A subcommittee under the panel continued to monitor the progress in following up the outstanding leisure and cultural services projects of the former municipal councils and implementing other relevant projects.

The panel received a briefing by the Administration on the progress of the preparation for hosting the 2009 East Asian Games. Some members expressed the view that hosting of the event would help promote young people's interest in sports, and benefit the tourist industry and the local economy. Some other members criticized the Administration for not promoting a sporting culture at the community level, particularly among students. The panel would follow up the long-term strategies for the development of sports with the Administration.



Members expressed dissatisfaction at the slow progress made by the Administration in addressing the management and maintenance problem of private streets. Members suggested that the Administration should explore possible means to address the problem of compensation claims and enhance coordination and cooperation with District Councils in dealing with the management and maintenance problem.

Panel on Housing

After the public listing of The Link Real Estate Investment Trust (The Link REIT) in November 2005, complaints concerning huge rent increases imposed on commercial tenants by The Link Management Limited (The Link) and its plan to re-group property management contracts resulting in reduction of over a thousand of jobs of non-skilled workers engaged by its service contractors aroused considerable public concern. While acknowledging that The Link had become a private entity, members considered The Link had a corporate social responsibility to ensure proper provision and management of retail and car-parking facilities (RC facilities) divested by Housing Authority (HA) and protection of interests of non-skilled workers in meeting the needs of public rental housing (PRH) tenants. At the joint meeting of the panel and the Panel on Manpower, members urged The Link to honour its previous undertaking of enhancing the overall commercial attractiveness of the retail properties before considering rent increases on tenants. They also called on The Link to strengthen monitoring of its contractors to ensure reasonable level of wages and working conditions for non-skilled workers, and stop labour exploitation.

HA published the Consultation Paper on Review of Domestic Rent Policy in March 2006 to seek public views on proposals with the objective of establishing a viable rent adjustment mechanism to devise a rent policy which was affordable, flexible and capable of promoting the long-term sustainability of PRH programme. Notwithstanding that the panel considered the proposal of introducing a rent adjustment mechanism with reference to movements in the consumer price index or tenants' household income would better measure tenants' affordability, it noted the deputations' grave concern that proposals, including improvements to the compilation of the median rent-to-income ratio, and introducing exclusive rents and differential rents, were means to pave the way for HA to increase rents. The panel passed a motion requesting HA to reduce PRH rents first before reviewing the rent adjustment mechanism. The panel and deputations also raised suspicion that the Administration would bypass the Legislative Council to introduce a rent increase through administrative means. The panel called upon the Administration to implement the various proposals in a sound and fair basis through making suitable amendments to the Housing Ordinance.

The panel welcomed the Administration's decision to dispose of the surplus Home Ownership Scheme flats and Private Sector Participation Scheme flats in phases from 2007 onwards. Members urged the Administration to provide flexibility in the sale programme, ensure reasonable standard of the flats before sale and provide longer defect liability period and structural safety guarantee for the flats in order to protect the interests of prospective buyers.

The panel expressed support for HA's enhanced measures on procurement of services for PRH estates. Members urged HA to review the existing contract requirement of capping the number of part-time workers at no more than three-eighth of the total workforce for each contract, as well as consider additional requirements to regulate the wages and fringe benefits of part-time workers and measures to protect the identity of workers who reported on labour exploitation.

During the session, the panel also followed closely issues relating to the sale of first-hand residential properties and reviewed the measures to ensure the provision and dissemination of accurate information for protecting the interests of prospective buyers. In this direction, the panel reviewed the work of the Estate Agents Authority, in particular its performance in the areas of examination and licensing, law enforcement and professional development. In response to public concerns about the abolition of the security of tenure and the removal of statutory compensation upon redevelopment as a result of the enactment of the Landlord and Tenant (Consolidation) (Amendment) Ordinance 2004, the panel received deputations to address their concerns in this regard.

Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting

Public service broadcasting (PSB) was one of the major issues studied by the panel this year. The panel welcomed the Administration's initiative to conduct a review on PSB and its appointment of the Committee on Review of PSB for undertaking this task. The panel noted that the review would examine PSB in Hong Kong from a macro perspective rather than targeting any specific broadcaster. To enable the panel as well as other Members of LegCo to understand the



A delegation of the Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting conducted an overseas duty visit to study the public service broadcasting systems and related issues in Canada, the United States and the United Kingdom. In London, the delegation meets with Ms Rita RAYNE (centre), Asia Editor, BBC World.

general philosophy and principles of PSB as well as practices in other countries, the panel was conducting a study into the subject. The findings of the study aimed to serve as reference for all parties on how PSB could be taken forward in Hong Kong. Apart from receiving views from local deputations, the panel conducted an overseas duty visit in April 2006 to Canada, United States and United Kingdom where there was a long history of PSB development.

The status and corporate governance of Radio Television Hong Kong (RTHK) were also examined by the panel on a number of occasions. The panel noted the concern over RTHK's effectiveness to perform its role as a public service broadcaster with its present status of a government department. There were discussions on the option of corporatization of RTHK and the concern about the future of RTHK with its resources constraints, as well as the editorial independence of RTHK. The panel would follow up the relevant issues related to RTHK in the course of the review of PSB.



In Washington D.C, the delegation visits the National Public Radio and meets with Mr Jeffrey DVORKIN, its Ombudsman.

The panel discussed the Administration's proposal to merge the Broadcasting Authority and the Telecommunications Authority into a unified regulator, known as the Communications Authority (CA). Whilst members generally supported a proactive, but light, regulatory approach in line with an international paradigm shift from active regulation to a more relaxed approach emphasizing fair competition, they urged the Administration not to lose sight of the need for CA to uphold its public mission, including protection of freedom of speech and consumers' interests. Members also expressed views on the manpower implications of the proposed establishment of CA and the governance structure of CA.

After the study visit, the delegation briefs the media on its general observations and preliminary findings.



On the leakage on the Internet of personal information held by the Independent Police Complaints Council and some private organizations, the panel expressed concern about the effectiveness of the existing regulatory regime of information security in the public and private sectors.

Members urged various regulators and public bodies to ensure maintenance of information security at a satisfactory level. The Administration undertook to report to the panel by end 2006 on the current state of information security in bureaux/departments and how various regulators exercised their monitoring role. The Administration would also request information from publicly-funded bodies on the measures taken by them to maintain and enhance information security.



Members of the Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting visit TVB City, where they are briefed on the Digital Terrestrial Broadcasting Project and the Electronic News Production System.



On various IT-related initiatives, the panel received regular updates on new strategy for E-government services delivery and progress on transformation of the IT Easy Link services. The panel also considered the findings of the 2005 Surveys on IT Usage and Penetration in the Household and Business Sector.



Panel on Manpower


Some members were of the view that as only a very small percentage of the goods procured by the Administration was manufactured locally, imposing a local production requirement should result in a substantial increase in the procurement of local goods, and significantly improve local employment. A member considered that Hong Kong should withdraw from the World Trade Organization Agreement on Government Procurement (GPA), and the Administration should amend its procurement policy to require all prefabricated units for public housing and public works projects as well as uniforms to be manufactured locally. Some members urged the Administration to conduct a full review of its procurement policy and consider imposing a 50% local production requirement on the goods to be procured. The panel passed a motion urging the Administration to conduct a comprehensive review of the Government's procurement policy under GPA, and to impose a requirement that priority be given to safeguarding the employment opportunities for local workers in the procurement of goods and services.

The panel was very concerned about employers abusing the Protection of Wages on Insolvency Fund. Some members suggested that the Employment Ordinance should be amended to the effect that a director who contravened without reasonable excuse the provisions relating to time and payment of wages would be liable for an offence committed by his limited company, so as to enhance the deterrent effect on employers. Some other members, however, expressed reservations about the suggestion, as

many directors were not involved in the operation of their companies. These members were of the view that such an amendment would lower the threshold for prosecution under the Ordinance.

While welcoming the Administration's proposal to put in place the manpower development plan for the textiles and clothing industry, some members expressed concern about possible abuse by employers in the importation of labour. These members pointed out that the labour sector was concerned that the importation of labour would adversely affect the employment opportunities and wages of local workers. Members urged the Administration to monitor closely the implementation of the plan to protect the rights of both local and imported workers.

Members pointed out that many construction workers engaged in public works projects and public housing construction works were forced to become self-employed. They expressed concern whether the Administration, in devising the improvement measures to manage subcontracting, had taken into consideration the situation of false self-employment. A member considered that the measures introduced by the Administration, such as wage payment monitoring initiatives, could in no way stop subcontractors from forcing their employees to sign fabricated wages slips. Another member was of the view that the Administration should consider introducing more severe penalty to combat wage offences by contractors. Members urged the Administration to put in place further safeguards to ensure that wages due were paid on time by employers.



Panel on Planning, Lands and Works

Government's land supply policy has long been a major concern of the panel. Some members were concerned that the reliance on the Application List System for the supply of new land might lead to insufficient supply of residential flats and hence substantial rise in property prices. The panel therefore examined whether scheduled land auctions should be revived. The panel noted the Administration's position that land supply should be market driven and the property market should be allowed to determine flexibly the quantity and timing of land supply. The supply of new land would therefore continue to be triggered from the Application List. The Administration reassured the panel that based on relevant property market figures, there would be adequate supply of land and private residential flats in the next few years.

Apart from land sales by public auction or tender, the Administration also supplies land through private treaty grants (PTG) to private or non-governmental organizations for specific uses pursuant to the relevant policies. Regarding the policy of permitting PTG grantees to modify their leases after payment of the full market premium, some members considered that PTG grantees should not be given an exclusive right to obtain a re-grant of the PTG sites for alternative uses and the mechanism for premium determination lacked transparency. They urged the Administration to devise an open and fair mechanism to enable obsolete and under-utilized PTG sites to be put to optimal use.

The panel continued to closely monitor the planning for various harbourfront areas. On Central Reclamation Phase III, some members considered that the extent of new developments along the Central waterfront was excessive, giving rise to adverse environmental and traffic impacts and failing to meet the aspirations of the public. In view of the wide public concern over the future developments along the Central waterfront and the Tamar development project, which covered the construction of a new Central Government Complex, a Legislative Council Complex, a Civic Place and associated facilities, the panel set up a subcommittee to examine relevant issues. The subcommittee submitted a report to the panel in April 2006 to facilitate the latter's further deliberation on the Tamar development project prior to the consideration of the relevant funding proposal by the Public Works Subcommittee and the Finance Committee.

On the Kai Tak Planning Review, while members supported the relevant planning vision and planning principles adopted by the Administration in drawing up the Preliminary Outline Development Plan, they raised concerns on the density and height of developments, the environmental problems of the Kai Tak Approach Channel, as well as the locations and scale of the proposed Metro Park and Stadium Complex. Members also gave suggestions to improve the connectivity between Kai Tak and the neighbouring districts.



Regarding the Wan Chai Development Phase II project, the panel received views from interested groups and individuals on options to address the traffic congestion in Central and Wanchai and other relevant planning issues. Members urged the Administration to undertake thorough studies to identify an alignment and construction form for the Central Wanchai Bypass with a view to minimizing harbour reclamation and other undesirable impacts, and to expedite the planning and implementation of harbour enhancement measures.

The panel also examined the Concept Plan for Lantau, issues relating to the Small House Policy, a proposal on the fees to be charged on planning applications under the Town Planning Ordinance, the development and implementation of Greening Master Plans for selected urban areas, and a legislative proposal to facilitate redevelopment by private developers.


Panel on Public Service

The panel monitored closely the policy issues pertaining to the human resource management of the civil service, which included the Administration's measures to contain the size of the civil service. Given that the civil service establishment had been substantially reduced in the past few years and the early achievement of a budget surplus, the panel urged the Administration to re-assess the manpower position of bureaux and departments and identify possible options for addressing their needs so as to maintain the quality of service and alleviate the pressure faced by civil servants arising from the significant reduction in manpower in the past few years. The panel also reiterated its concern over the employment

of staff on non-civil service contract (NCSC) terms to meet operational needs so as to achieve the target for reducing the civil service establishment. As some of the NCSC staff had been employed for a relatively long time, the panel stressed the need for the Administration to properly manage the NCSC Staff Scheme to prevent abuse. In this connection, the panel welcomed the Administration's initiative to conduct a special review of the NCSC staff situation on a department-by-department basis to gain a better understanding of individual departments' overall manpower situation. The panel urged the Administration to consider, after the review, whether some of the NCSC posts, in particular those created to meet service needs on a long-term basis or those filled by NCSC staff continuously for five years or more, should be converted to civil service posts.

The panel also monitored the development of an improved civil service pay adjustment mechanism. Members expressed concern about the slow progress of the Pay Level Survey which was expected to be completed by the end of 2006, after which the Administration would consult the staff side on the proposed application of the survey findings with a view to arriving at a decision by mid-2007. The panel urged the Administration to maintain close communication with the staff side so as to ensure that staff feedback would be taken into account throughout the process of the survey.

The panel followed up on the review of civil service allowances and the review of the policy governing post-service employment of former directorate civil servants. On the review of fringe benefit type of civil service allowances, the panel noted that while a number of civil service staff bodies considered the final proposed changes acceptable,



the staff side of the Police Force Council was of the view that the proposed changes represented a unilateral variation of the terms of employment of civil servants and queried the legitimacy of the proposed changes. The Administration stressed that the final proposed changes were lawful, fair and reasonable. As regards the review of the policy on post-service employment of former directorate civil servants, the panel welcomed the revised arrangements put forward by the Administration to improve the existing control regime to provide better safeguard against conflict of interest and negative public perception.

On the new initiative to introduce five-day week in the Government, members generally indicated their support for the phased implementation approach, but stressed that no additional government expenditure and no reduction in government services should be involved. The panel urged the Administration to closely monitor the implementation of five-day week and review the arrangement, in particular, its impact on service quality, the public and civil servants so as to assess the need for fine-tuning the new arrangement.

Panel on Security

Some members commended the Police for playing a key role in facilitating the Sixth Ministerial Conference of the World Trade Organization to be held successfully in Hong Kong. Some other members expressed concern that some 1,000 people were arrested in the demonstrations on 17 and 18 December 2005. These members were also concerned about allegations that the Police had ill-treated detained persons and deprived these persons of basic rights according to international human rights standards. Some members

urged the Administration to appoint independent persons to conduct a thorough inquiry into the Police's actions during the Conference period in order to enhance public confidence.

Members raised various concerns and queries about the Administration's legislative proposals regulating the conduct of interception of communications and covert surveillance by law enforcement agencies. Some members expressed concern as to how "more intrusive" and "less intrusive" covert surveillance would be differentiated, and opposed the proposal that a panel of judges authorising interception of communications and the "more intrusive" covert surveillance operations should be appointed by the Chief Executive. They also opposed the proposal to conduct integrity check on panel judges prior to their appointment.

Some members queried why the subject of interception or covert surveillance operation was not notified after such activities had discontinued. They considered that in cases of interception or covert surveillance which had been conducted mistakenly, the persons concerned should be notified. Some members suggested that there should be penalty provisions for non-compliance with the legislation or the code of practice. They also suggested that a committee, instead of a Commissioner on Interception of Communications and Covert Surveillance, should be established as an independent oversight authority.

The panel discussed the shooting incident involving Police officers in Tsim Sha Tsui on 17 March 2006. Some members expressed concern as to whether the investigation into the incident would be conducted in a fair and just manner. They

suggested that an independent committee of inquiry should be appointed to investigate the incident. The panel was assured that the Police would continue conducting the investigation thoroughly and impartially.

Some members expressed support for the introduction of the proposed Quality Migrants Admission Scheme. Some other members, however, expressed concern about the implications of the proposed Scheme on local employment. They urged the Administration to put in place effective measures to prevent possible abuse of the Scheme. They considered that representatives of the labour sector should be appointed to the selection committee.

Regarding the leakage of personal data kept the Independent Police Complaints Council (IPCC) on the Internet, members pointed out that IPCC was not a statutory body, and the staff of its Secretariat were civil servants providing administrative support to IPCC. Furthermore, the terms of reference of IPCC did not include resolving issues arising from the incident. Members urged the Government to provide support to IPCC to help resolve the matter, or take over the remedial work.

Panel on Transport

The panel was consulted on a number of major transport issues, including the proposed merger of the Mass Transit Railway and Kowloon-Canton Railway Systems. Members offered views to the Administration in formulating and fine-tuning transport policies and strategies that met public needs. The Rail Merger Bill was subsequently introduced into the Legislative Council on 5 July 2006.

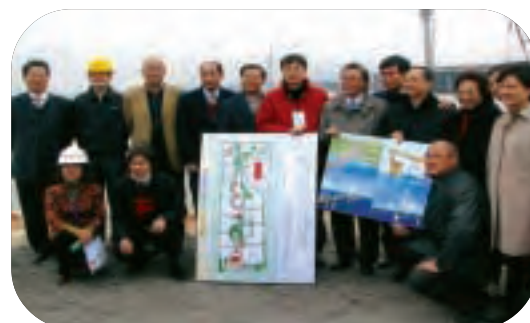


Members of the Panel on Transport visit the site of the Hong Kong-Shenzhen Western Corridor landing point in Ngau Hom Shek to be briefed on the progress of the project.

The panel examined the proposed fare reduction packages of the franchised bus companies and railway corporations. Members called on the Administration to request public transport operators to reduce their fares and offer concessionary fares to the elderly and persons with disabilities.

The panel reviewed the planning and implementation of a number of key transport infrastructural projects in Hong Kong, including the Hong Kong-Shenzhen Western Corridor and Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge. Members called on the Administration to expand the road network in North West New Territories so as to cater for the

Members pose in front of the Hong Kong-Shenzhen Western Corridor construction site.





At the start of a two-day visit to Pearl River Delta, members of the Panel on Transport meet with Guangdong Province officials to exchange views on traffic and transport issues.

additional traffic demand upon the commissioning of the new cross-boundary transport infrastructure. A delegation of the panel also undertook a duty visit to the Mainland on 5 and 6 December 2005 to observe the latest transport infrastructural development in Pearl River Delta. During the two-day visit, officials from the Mainland also exchanged views with members on a wide range of transport issues.



While visiting Shenzhen's Yantian Port, members are briefed on the operation and handling capacity of its container terminals.

On road safety, the panel reviewed the effectiveness of the road safety legislation implemented in the past few years, particularly the ones relating to drink driving and use of mobile phone while driving. The panel also examined measures to enhance safety of public light bus and taxi operations.


With the gradual expansion of railway network, there were increasing concerns about the inter-modal coordination of public transport services. The panel discussed with the Administration and the transport trades the related issues, including the operating environment and permitted scope of businesses of individual trades, as well as the respective role and function of individual transport modes in the transport services market.

The distribution of traffic among the three road-harbour crossings, and the utilization of Route 3 and the alternative non-tolled routes were still high on the agenda of the panel. Members considered that there was urgency in finding solutions which would best protect the interests of the public and be acceptable to both the Administration and the franchisees.



Members of the Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways visit the Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation Fo Tan Depot following a series of safety-related incidents on East Rail.

The panel had formed a subcommittee to monitor the development, implementation and operation of railway projects in Hong Kong. Upon learning of the East Rail



underframe equipment mounting cracks, the subcommittee held a series of meetings to review the root causes of the incidents and the proposed rectification measures proposed by Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation and the Administration to ensure railway safety. The subcommittee also reviewed the notification and reporting regime for railway incidents and matters. The planning and implementation of Kowloon Southern Link, Northern Link, Hong Kong Section of Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link, and Shatin to Central Link were also examined.


Panel on Welfare Services

The Administration briefed the panel on the Special One-Off Grant (SOG), which was intended to provide support to non-governmental organizations (NGOs) currently receiving the Tide-Over Grant (TOG) after the cessation of the TOG period in 2006-2007. Members were very concerned that the managements of some NGOs unilaterally changed or were planning to change the terms and conditions of services of their employees in order to attain financial viability. Members were of the view that the grievances concerning the SOG were rooted in the Lump Sum Grant subventions system. They urged the Administration to conduct a comprehensive review of the system. The Administration considered that there was no need to do so, having regard to the positive impacts of the system on the development of social welfare services and the wide acceptance of the system by NGOs. The Administration would, however, examine whether there were specific aspects which might be improved after the SOG arrangement was finalized.

The panel held a joint meeting with the Panel on Health Services and the Panel on Manpower to discuss the support provided by the Administration to patients of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) and their families. At the Council meeting on 17 May 2006, the chairman of the panel moved a motion urging the Administration to, among other things, relax the Trust Fund for SARS' \$500,000 ceiling on special ex-gratia financial assistance for each eligible recovered or "suspected" SARS patient, and to grant special ex-gratia relief payments to families with deceased elderly SARS patients irrespective of whether the affected families had been relying on the deceased for financial support. The motion was carried.

The panel discussed the services and support to victims of sexual violence. Members were concerned that the Administration had stopped the funding for RainLily, a one-stop comprehensive service for victims of sexual violence. The panel was dissatisfied that the Social Welfare Department had invited NGOs to express interest to operate the proposed multi-purpose crisis intervention and support centre without first conducting consultation with the panel and relevant stakeholders on the new service model.

Members were concerned that the Administration had abandoned the previous planning mechanism in the form of a five-year plan and adopted instead a planning approach comprising mainly an annual consultation mechanism with the welfare sector and the District Welfare Planning Protocol. Following discussion at two meetings, the panel requested the Administration to provide a paper setting out the whole process and timetable of its social welfare planning mechanism for members' further consideration.



The subcommittee set up under the panel to review the strategy and measures for tackling family violence discussed the recommendations of the Coroner's Court on the Tin Shui Wai family tragedy which occurred in April 2004; the review report on the implementation of recommendations of the Review Panel on Family Services in Tin Shui Wai; improvement measures of the Police on the handling of family violence, including provision of a checklist; and the preliminary proposed amendments to the Domestic Violence Ordinance.

The subcommittee set up under the panel to review the existing arrangements for the Comprehensive Social Security Allowance (CSSA) Scheme and the Social Security Allowance Scheme discussed the New Dawn Project for single parent recipients of CSSA; annual adjustment mechanisms of the CSSA standard payment rates; basic needs of the elderly, the disabled and children; provision of long-term supplement and burial grant; release of CSSA to discharged offenders; difficulties faced by the poor elderly in applying for CSSA and the exercise of discretion by the Director of Social Welfare in handling applicants unable to satisfy the seven-year residence requirement.

Redress System

The Council operates a redress system under which the public can make representations on or seek solutions to problems arising from Government policies, decisions and procedures. Under the system, Members provide assistance, where justified, for members of the public who are aggrieved by Government actions or policies. They also deal with public representations on Government policies and legislation as well as other matters of public concern.

In groups of six, Members take turns to be on duty each week to oversee the system and to receive and handle representations and complaints made by deputations. In addition, they take turns to be on “ward duty” during their duty week to meet individual complainants and to give guidance to staff in processing cases. Staff of the Secretariat provide full-time support service for Members in the operation of the system.

In 2005-2006, 944 new cases were received. Of these, 232 were group representations and 712 were cases brought up by individual members of the public. Out of the 900 cases dealt with and concluded within the period, Members directly handled 659 cases, which constituted 73.2% of the caseload. Of the remaining 241 cases, 229 were views which were circulated to Members for consideration, and 12 were enquiries and simple cases which were handled by Secretariat staff on behalf of Members. In view of the increased complexity of cases and the increasing awareness of civil rights, the demand on the service grew considerably especially in terms of quality. In order to resolve cases

expeditiously, Members held 56 case conferences with representatives of the Administration. In addition, 1,631 telephone cases were handled during the year under review.

The nature of the cases concluded during the period under review is shown in **Fig. 4.1**, and the outcome of these cases is shown in **Fig. 4.2**. Of the 900 cases concluded, assistance was provided to 771 cases (85.6%), while the remaining 129 cases (14.4%) were not pursued, as these were either outside the scope of the redress system, groundless, or incomprehensible.

Fig 4.1 Nature of concluded cases

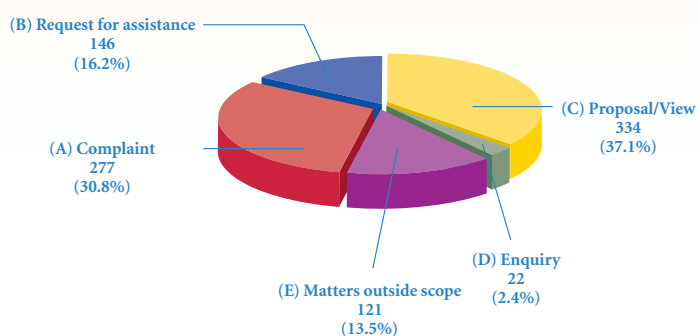
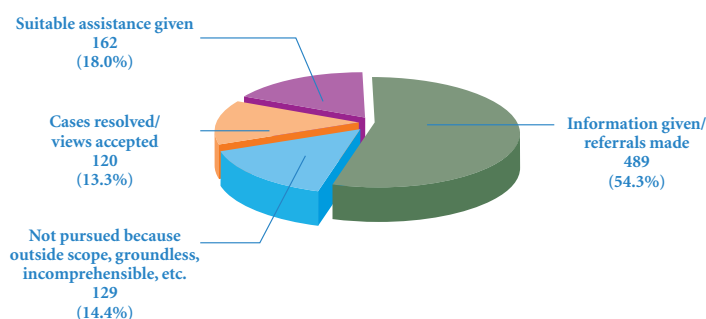


Fig 4.2 Outcome of concluded cases



At Fig. 4.3 and Fig. 4.4 respectively are statistical breakdowns of these concluded cases, by nature and by outcome, by the 10 Government policy bureaux/departments which received the largest number of complaints. A breakdown of all concluded cases by Government policy bureaux/departments, independent organizations and others is at Appendix 6.

Fig 4.3

Statistical breakdown of concluded cases by nature by the 10 Government policy bureaux/departments which received the largest number of complaints

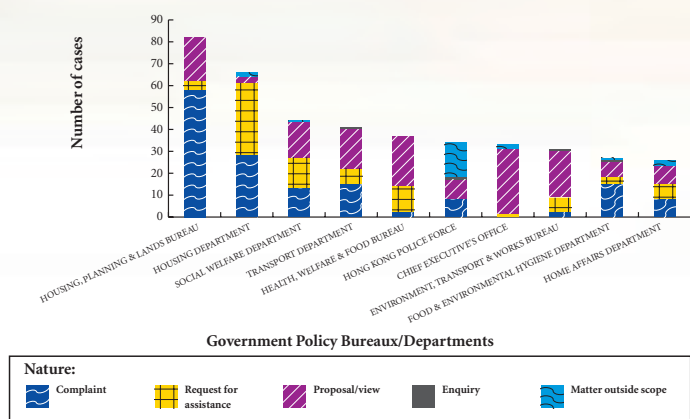
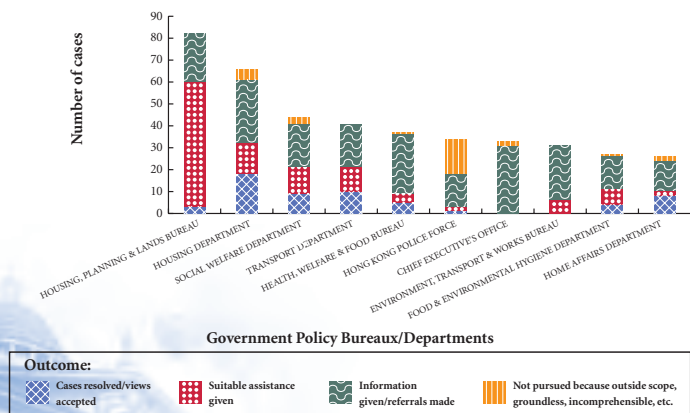


Fig 4.4

Statistical breakdown of concluded cases by outcome by the 10 Government policy bureaux/departments which received the largest number of complaints



ANALYSIS OF SIGNIFICANT CASES DEALT WITH

Some of the more common and significant cases dealt with under the redress system are as follows:

Housing, Planning and Lands Related Issues

The Housing, Planning and Lands Bureau attracted the largest number of cases, totalling 82. These consisted of: (a) cases concerning the Administration's policy for the provision of recreation and sports facilities, and the management of public housing estates and facilities for



In connection with a complaint about the construction of a temple in Siu Sai Wan, Members conduct a site visit to observe the surrounding environment and listen to the pro and con opinions of local residents.

public housing tenants; and (b) views on the consent scheme for the pre-sale of uncompleted flats, the land use of the Tamar Site, and the proposals to amend the Landlord and Tenant (Consolidation) Ordinance and to introduce a mandatory building inspection scheme.

One of the cases was related to an application for the rezoning of a lot in Ap Lei Chau from “Other Specified Uses” annotated “Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) and Oil Products Transit depot” to “Residential (Group A)”. Residents nearby were worried that additional residential developments would aggravate the traffic problem. They also contended that such sites were granted to the operators of essential public utilities for a specific purpose. If the land ceased to be used for LPG transit depot purpose, the Administration should invoke the cessation of user clause. The residents further requested the Administration to turn the lot into an open space to alleviate the problem of shortage of open space in Ap Lei Chau. The departments concerned informed Members that they had reservations on the rezoning application. As a number of residential estates currently relied on the LPG transit depot for central LPG supply, such supply would be affected if the depot ceased to operate. Furthermore, traffic data provided by the developer had yet to be substantiated. However, it was not possible for the Administration to invoke the cessation of user clause to re-enter the site, as it was still being used for LPG transit depot purpose. As regards the residents’ request for open space, the Administration clarified that sufficient local open space had been provided in Ap Lei Chau. The Town Planning Board ultimately decided not to approve to the rezoning application.

Housing Cases

The second largest number of cases, totalling 66, were on housing issues. These consisted mainly of complaints from individuals on the management and maintenance of public

rental housing (PRH) estates, and applications for transfer and compassionate rehousing as well as termination of tenancy. Group cases were mainly on the redevelopment of PRH estates, installation of lifts and replacement of doors, and the provision and maintenance of shopping and open space and recreational facilities.



A concern group meets with the Members to express their discontent with the Mandatory Building Inspection Scheme introduced by the Government.

A deputation comprising tenants of a PRH estate in Kwai Chung was dissatisfied with the inadequate provision of open space and recreational facilities in the vicinity and the absence of an implementation schedule for developing a nearby site into a district open space. As the site was frequented by residents, especially the elderly, for exercises in the morning, the deputation called on the Hong Kong Housing Authority to accord priority to its development. In response to Members’ strong request, the Hong Kong Housing Authority agreed to expedite the project and provide permanent recreational facilities for the elderly

including a landscaped garden with sitting-out areas, a walking trail, an open plaza for practising Tai Chi, a pebble foot massage path and gateball courts, as well as facilities for children including play areas and table-tennis. Construction work had commenced in August 2006 for completion in the fourth quarter of 2007.

Social Welfare Cases

Cases related to the Social Welfare Department, totalling 44, were the third largest number of cases handled during the year. These consisted mainly of individuals' complaints against the Social Welfare Department in administering the Comprehensive Social Security Assistance Scheme and the department's supervision of non-government organizations in the deployment of public funds. Views were also received regarding abuse of Comprehensive Social Security Assistance and the provision of special grants under the scheme.



Members meet with a hawkers' rights advocacy group to hear their grievances and discuss any assistance that could be offered.

Transport Cases

Transport cases, totalling 41, were the fourth largest category of cases handled during the year. Most of the cases brought forth by individuals were on traffic management issues, such as requests for the addition of traffic lights and Green Minibus stands, the design of loading and unloading areas and complaints about traffic congestion. Other cases were



At the invitation of the Tuen Mun District Board, Members conduct a site visit to observe various traffic congestion "black spots" in the area.

on public bus and Green Minibus services, audio-visual broadcasting on buses and illegal parking. Group cases were mainly about the provision of Green Minibus services, the design of roads, the application for ferry fare increase and the renewal of licence for retired driving instructors of franchised bus companies. The issues were taken up with the Administration in the form of written referrals or case conferences.



Health, Welfare and Food Related Issues

The Health, Welfare and Food Bureau attracted 37 cases during the period under review. The majority of these cases brought up by individuals were views and suggestions on health care services and health prevention programmes initiated by the Administration. These included services provided by public hospitals, issues arising from the registration of Chinese medicine practitioners in Hong Kong, proposals for the formulation of a comprehensive and effective strategy to prevent the outbreak of avian influenza and further banning of smoking in public places to ensure public health. Group cases were mainly on social welfare policies and measures to enhance the public medical services provided by the Hospital Authority, in particular, those for the elderly and chronic patients in poverty.

OTHER SIGNIFICANT CASES

Cages for Collecting Used Clothing


Some District Council members complained to Members that the existence of on-street metal cages for collecting used clothing had become rampant; complaints were also received from members of the public. They contended that some cages were placed in public street on the pretext of charity and environmental protection, but the clothing collected was in fact sold for profit, and enforcement actions were slow and ineffective. Members pointed out to the Administration that as such cages were usually placed on the streets unattended for a long time, they caused obstruction to pedestrians and created environmental hygiene problems. In response to Members' request, the

Lands Department co-ordinated the efforts of relevant Government departments and introduced a designated site scheme under which charitable organizations could apply for collection cages to be placed only at designated sites for a specified number of days and under certain restrictions. However, the implementation of the scheme in some districts showed that it was generally not successful. The Administration subsequently decided to adopt a new approach to respond to the community's aspiration for a cleaner and tidier environment. The Permanent Secretary for Home Affairs announced that effective from mid-July 2006, all on-street cages would be removed immediately in accordance with the Summary Offences Ordinance. At the same time, in order to support initiatives on recycling and reducing waste, the Administration would invite non-profit making and charitable organizations to manage "community recycling banks" to be placed in designated off-street spots, such as community centres, Government buildings and playgrounds. The Administration briefed the Chairmen and Vice-chairmen of the 18 District Councils and obtained their unanimous support.

Provision of Medical and Hospital Services

Three cases handled under the redress system were related to the provision of medical and hospital services.

Members of Kwai Tsing District Council solicited Members' assistance regarding the provision of evening out-patient service at the North Kwai Chung Clinic. The District Council members were dissatisfied with the Hospital Authority (HA) for not allocating resources for evening out-patient service



at the clinic, despite the increased demand of the ageing population in the district and the grass roots work force who left home early for work and returned late in the day. At a case conference, Members urged HA to launch a pilot scheme to gauge the demand of the residents. HA subsequently launched the pilot scheme which was well-received by the residents with a high utilization rate. At Members' request, HA agreed to allocate additional resources for the provision of the service on a long term basis.

A deputation sought assistance regarding the alleged closure of the Accident and Emergency (A&E) Department of the Ruttonjee Hospital. The deputation was of the view that the A&E services of the Ruttonjee Hospital should not be terminated or scaled down, as Wanchai was at the hub of the Hong Kong Island, and the A&E Department was essential for providing emergency services to people in the district. Otherwise, patients would have to be taken all the way to the Pamela Youde Nethersole Hospital in Chai Wan or the Queen Mary Hospital in Pokfulam for emergency treatment. At the ensuing case conference, HA and the Administration stressed that there was no plan to terminate or scale down the A&E services of the Ruttonjee Hospital. However, as HA was fully subvented by public funds, it had to review its medical services from time to time and adjust its services taking into account factors such as the pattern and volume of service utilization. At Members' request, the Administration undertook to consult the Panel on Health Services and District Councils on any future plans for changes to the services.

A refugees protection group's request for free hospital services for asylum seekers and refugees. The group alleged that pursuant to the change of policy in public medical services in Hong Kong, the access of asylum seekers and refugees to hospital services was denied and their right to health was jeopardized. The Administration and HA assured Members that asylum seekers who were awaiting the decision of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) on their claims for refugee status, as well as refugees whose status had been recognized by UNHCR, could have access to medical services at public hospitals. However, for persons whose applications for refugee status had been rejected by UNHCR, they would be reported to the Police or Immigration Department if they failed to produce a passport with a valid visa or a recognizance paper when seeking medical attention at public hospitals and clinics. The Administration stressed that it was necessary for HA to report any illegal immigrant who was suspected to have breached the conditions of stay in Hong Kong to the authorities concerned. Nevertheless, medical service would be provided first if such a person required emergency medical attention.

Supervision of Fund Raising Activities and Issuance of Lottery Licence

Representatives of a voluntary agency sought assistance regarding fund-raising activities and the sale of lottery tickets in public streets. They urged the Administration to relax the restrictions, particularly with regard to the location of money collection boxes/bags and the number of workers participating in such activities. The Social Welfare Department subsequently advised that the Lotteries Fund Advisory Committee had endorsed a proposal which would allow workers to move around with donation boxes/bags in

public streets, if the organizations concerned had applied for setting up donation boxes at stationed counters at the same time. As regards the number of workers, the department clarified that no restriction was imposed on the number of workers taking part in fund-raising activities in public streets, while the Television and Entertainment Licensing Authority advised that discretion for relaxing the maximum number of workers for the sale of lottery tickets in public streets might be given so long as nuisance and obstruction was not caused to users of public streets.



Ms Alice Tai (second from right), the Ombudsman, updates Members on the work of her Office.

Liaison

PARLIAMENTARY LIAISON SUBCOMMITTEE

The Parliamentary Liaison Subcommittee of the House Committee is responsible for the overall co-ordination of all parliamentary liaison activities between the Council and other parliamentary organizations outside Hong Kong, and for considering proposals for setting up friendship groups with such organizations. It makes recommendations to the House Committee on such matters. The membership of the subcommittee is in *Appendix 5*.

LUNCHEONS WITH CONSULS-GENERAL

To enhance contacts between Members and the diplomatic community in Hong Kong, luncheons were organized to provide opportunities for Members to make acquaintance and exchange views with consular officials on the work of

the Council as well as matters of mutual concern. Between October 2005 and September 2006, three such luncheons were held, which were attended by a total of 47 consular officials.



Hon SIN Chung-kai exchanges views with Mr Andrew Thomas ROE, Head of Office, European Commission of the European Union.



Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai hosts regular luncheons for Consuls-General to keep them informed on the Council's work and Hong Kong's latest development. (From left): Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai; Mr A F M Gousal Azam SARKER, Consul-General of Bangladesh; Mr Usman Alhaji BARAYA, Consul-General of Nigeria and Mr Bader S AL-TUNAIB, Consul-General of Kuwait.



Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye (right) and Hon LEE Wing-tat (centre) chat with Mr Tariq Shafi CHAK, Consul-General of Pakistan.

CONTACT WITH DISTRICT COUNCILS

Members hold on a roster basis regular meetings with the District Councils to exchange views on matters or issues of mutual interest. Members convene such meetings by turn. Each meeting is followed by a luncheon attended by members of the District Council concerned, the President



Members meet with the Island District Council members to exchange views on matters of mutual interest and concern.

and Members. Policy issues raised at these meetings are referred to the relevant panels for more in-depth study, while individual cases are taken up by the Complaints Division for follow-up with the Government. During the 2005-2006 session, 18 meetings with District Councils were held.

CONTACT WITH HEUNG YEE KUK

Members hold regular meetings with Councillors of Heung Yee Kuk to exchange views on matters or issues of mutual concern. During the 2005-2006 session, a meeting between Members and Heung Yee Kuk Councillors was held on 29 November 2005. The Chairman of the House Committee presided at the meeting. Policy issues raised at the meeting were referred to the relevant panels and the Administration for follow-up.

VISITORS

On a regular basis, Members and senior staff of the Legislative Council Secretariat receive visiting parliamentarians, dignitaries and delegations referred by the



Members meet with a delegation led by Mr Herman DE CROO (first right), President of Belgium's House of Representatives.

Information Services Department and other departments of the Government, and by consuls-general and tertiary institutions in Hong Kong. During the 2005-2006 session, a total of 109 meetings were held with visitors to brief them

on the work of the Council and the latest developments in Hong Kong. These visitors included members of legislatures, political and business leaders, government officials and prominent persons from various countries and places.



Mr Lubomir ZAORALEK, Chairman of the Chamber of Deputies, Parliament of the Czech Republic, meets with Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai for a useful exchange of information about their respective legislatures.



A delegation from the Parliament of Canada meets with Members to discuss issues relating to the World Trade Organization priorities, and bilateral relations between Hong Kong/Mainland and Canada.



Mr Peeter KREITZBERG, Chairman of the Estonian-Chinese Parliamentary Group of the Estonian Parliament, receives a souvenir from Hon Howard YOUNG.



A delegation of the Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs from Ireland meets with Members and exchanges views on matters of mutual interest.



Mr Newt GINGRICH (second right), former Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, poses with Hon Bernard CHAN (right) and Hon SIN Chung-kai in the Chamber following a discussion on Hong Kong's latest development.

Support Services for Members

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL COMMISSION

The Legislative Council Commission is a statutory body established under The Legislative Council Commission Ordinance (Cap. 443). Chaired by the President of the Council and comprising nine other Members (as provided in the Ordinance, the Commission can have not more than 13 members, including the Chairman), the Commission exercises managerial and financial functions in providing, through the LegCo Secretariat, administrative support and facilities to the Council independent of the Government. There are three committees and one subcommittee under the Commission to carry out specific delegated functions. Membership of the Commission, its committees and subcommittee, and their terms of reference are set out in *Appendix 7*.

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SECRETARIAT

Headed by the Secretary General, the LegCo Secretariat comprises nine divisions. Staff of the Secretariat are directly appointed by the Commission. As at 30 September 2006, there was an establishment of 316 posts in the Secretariat. The organization chart is shown in *Appendix 8*.

Composition of the Legislative Council

PRESIDENT

Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai, GBS, JP
(Hong Kong Island)

MEMBERS

FUNCTIONAL CONSTITUENCIES

Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai, SBS, S.B.St.J., JP
(Engineering)

Dr Hon David LI Kwok-po, GBS, JP
(Finance)

Dr Hon LUI Ming-wah, SBS, JP
(Industrial – Second)

Hon Margaret NG
(Legal)

Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong
(Education)

Hon Bernard CHAN, GBS, JP
(Insurance)

Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun, SBS, JP
(Textiles and Garment)

Hon SIN Chung-kai, JP
(Information Technology)

Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong, GBS
(Commercial – Second)

Hon WONG Yung-kan, JP
(Agriculture and Fisheries)

Hon Howard YOUNG, SBS, JP
(Tourism)

Hon LAU Wong-fat, GBM, GBS, JP
(District Council)

Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye, GBS, JP
(Transport)

Hon Timothy FOK Tsun-ting, GBS, JP
(Sports, Performing Arts, Culture and Publication)

Hon Abraham SHEK Lai-him, JP
(Real Estate and Construction)

Hon LI Fung-ying, BBS, JP
(Labour)

Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, JP
(Catering)

Hon Vincent FANG Kang, JP
(Wholesale and Retail)

Hon WONG Kwok-hing, MH
(Labour)

Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long, JP
(Health Services)

Hon Daniel LAM Wai-keung, SBS, JP
(Heung Yee Kuk)

Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung, SBS, JP
(Commercial – First)

Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen, SBS, JP
(Industrial – First)

Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki
(Medical)

Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung
(Social Welfare)

Hon WONG Ting-kwong, BBS
(Import and Export)

Hon CHIM Pui-chung
(Financial Services)

Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing, SBS, JP
(Architectural, Surveying and Planning)

Hon KWONG Chi-kin
(Labour)

Hon TAM Heung-man
(Accountancy)



GEOGRAPHICAL CONSTITUENCIES

Hon James TIEN Pei-chun, GBS, JP
(New Territories East)

Hon Albert HO Chun-yan
(New Territories West)

Hon LEE Cheuk-yan
(New Territories West)

Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming, SC, JP
(Hong Kong Island)

Hon Fred LI Wah-ming, JP
(Kowloon East)

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye, GBS, JP
(New Territories West)

Hon James TO Kun-sun
(Kowloon West)

Hon CHAN Yuen-han, JP
(Kowloon East)

Hon CHAN Kam-lam, SBS, JP
(Kowloon East)

Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung
(New Territories West)

Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing, GBS, JP
(Kowloon West)

Dr Hon YEUNG Sum
(Hong Kong Island)

Hon LAU Chin-shek, JP
(Kowloon West)

Hon LAU Kong-wah, JP
(New Territories East)

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing, JP
(New Territories East)

Hon CHOY So-yuk, JP
(Hong Kong Island)

Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo
(New Territories East)

Hon TAM Yiu-chung, GBS, JP
(New Territories West)

Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip
(New Territories West)

Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee, SBS, JP
(Kowloon West)

Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee, SC, JP
(Hong Kong Island)

Hon LEE Wing-tat
(New Territories West)

Hon LI Kwok-ying, MH, JP
(New Territories East)

Hon MA Lik, GBS, JP
(Hong Kong Island)

Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, SC
(Kowloon East)

Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung
(New Territories East)

Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming, SBS, JP
(New Territories West)

Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah, SC
(New Territories East)

Hon Albert Jinghan CHENG
(Kowloon East)

Members' Biographies

HON MRS RITA FAN HSU LAI-TAI, GBS, JP

President of the Legislative Council

Date of Birth: 20 September 1945

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Honorary Doctor of Social Science, The City University of Hong Kong (2005)
- Honorary Doctor Degree, China University of Political Science and Law, People's Republic of China (2003)
- Master of Social Science (in Psychology), The University of Hong Kong (1970-1973)
- Certificate in Personnel Management, The University of Hong Kong (1969-1971)
- Bachelor of Science (in Chemistry and Physics), The University of Hong Kong (1964-1967)
- St. Stephen's Girls' College, Hong Kong (1952-1964)

Occupation:

Full-time Legislator

Public Service:

Present Service

- Hong Kong Deputy to the Tenth National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China
- Chairman of the Board of Trustee of the Association for Celebration of Reunification of Hong Kong with China Charitable Trust Fund
- Supervising Adviser of the Hong Kong Federation of Women

Past Service

- President of the Second Legislative Council (2000-2004)
- President of the First Legislative Council (1998-2000)
- President of the Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Hong Kong Deputy to the Ninth National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China (1998-2003)
- Member of the Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-1997)
- Member of the Preliminary Working Committee for the Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1993-1995)
- Member of the Executive Council (1989-1992)
- Member of the Legislative Council (1983-1992)
- Chairman of the Education Commission (1990-1992)
- Chairman of the Board of Education (1986-1989)

HON MIRIAM LAU KIN-YEE, GBS, JP

President's Deputy

Date of Birth: 27 April 1947

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- B.A. Hons., The University of Hong Kong
- Solicitor, Supreme Court of Hong Kong
- Solicitor, Supreme Court of England
- Barrister and Solicitor, Supreme Court of Victoria, Australia
- Diploma in Chinese Law, University of East Asia

Occupation:

- Solicitor and Notary Public
- China-Appointed Attesting Officer

Public Service:

- Chairman, House Committee, Legislative Council
- Chairman, Panel on Transport, Legislative Council (1998-2003)
- Chairman, Committee on Members' Interests, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Chairman, Panel on Transport, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Member, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Chairman, Committee on Members' Interests, Legislative Council (1995-1997)
- Chairman, Panel on Transport, Legislative Council (1991-1997)
- Member, Legislative Council (1988-1997) (Transport and Communication Constituency 1995-1997)
- Member, Selection Committee for the First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

- Chairman, Security and Guarding Services Industry Authority (1995-2005)
- Chairman, Standing Committee on Disciplined Services Salaries and Conditions of Service (1991-2000)
- Chairman, Correctional Services Children's Education Trust Committee (1990-1999)
- Member, Fight Crime Committee (1989-2001)
- Member, The Law Reform Commission of Hong Kong (1990-1996)
- Chairman, Subcommittee on Guardianship and Custody of The Law Reform Commission of Hong Kong
- Member, Regional Council (1986-1991)
- Member, Hospital Governing Committee, Kowloon Hospital (1993-2001)
- Member, Hong Kong Maritime Industry Council
- Member, Hong Kong Port Development Council
- Chairman, Port Development Advisory Group
- Member, Hong Kong Logistics Development Council
- Shepherd, S-Logistics Project Group
- Council Member, Hong Kong Baptist University
- External Board Member of International Centre for Maritime Studies, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

HON JAMES TIEN PEI-CHUN, GBS, JP

Date of Birth: 8 January 1947

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- M. Sc. in Chemical Engineering, San Jose State University, USA (1970)
- B. Sc. in Chemical Engineering, University of Illinois, USA (1968)
- Diocesan Boys' School, Hong Kong (1964)

Occupation:

- Chairman, Manhattan Holdings Limited
- Chairman, Manhattan Garments (Int'l) Limited

Public Service:

Government Boards and Committees

- Chairman, Panel on Economic Services, Legislative Council
- Member, Committee on Governance and Political Development of the Commission on Strategic Development
- Member, Commission on Poverty

Non-Government Boards and Committees

- Member, National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference
- Chairman, Liberal Party
- General Committee Member, Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce

- General Committee Member, Federation of Hong Kong Industries
- Advisor, Heung Yee Kuk New Territories
- Honorary President, New Territories General Chamber of Commerce
- Court Member, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
- Member, Council of The Chinese University of Hong Kong

HON ALBERT HO CHUN-YAN

Date of Birth: 1 December 1951

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Bachelor of Laws (Hons.), The University of Hong Kong
- Post-graduate Certificate in Laws, The University of Hong Kong
- Solicitor, Supreme Court of Hong Kong
- Notary Public

Occupation:

Practising Solicitor and Notary Public

Public Service:

- Chairman, Panel on Housing, Legislative Council (2003-2004)
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Housing, Legislative Council (2000-2001)
- Member, Tuen Mun District Council (2000-present)
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Home Affairs, Legislative Council (1998-2000)
- Chairman, Panel on Home Affairs, Legislative Council (1995-1997)
- Member, Provisional Regional Council (7/1997-12/1999)
- Member, Regional Council (1995-6/1997)
- Elected Member, Legislative Council (1995-6/1997)

IR DR HON RAYMOND HO CHUNG-TAI, SBS, S.B.ST.J., JP

Date of Birth: 23 March 1939

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Ph.D., City University of London, UK (1968-1971)
- P.D.S.E., University of Manchester, UK (1963-1964)
- B.Sc. (Eng.), The University of Hong Kong (1963)
- Honorary Doctor of Laws, Hon. LLD, University of Manchester, UK (2001)
- Honorary Doctor of Business Administration, Hon. DBA, The City University of Hong Kong (1999)
- Authorized Person (Building Ordinance)
- Registered Structural Engineer (Building Ordinance)
- Registered Professional Engineer (Building, Civil, Environmental, Geotechnical, Structural)
- Honorary Fellow & Past President (1987-1988), The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers (Disciplines: - Building, Civil, Environmental, Geotechnical, Structural)
- Fellow, Institution of Civil Engineers, UK
- Fellow, Former Vice President (1989-1990) & International Representative (Asia-Pacific Region) (1983-1997), Institution of Structural Engineers, UK
- Former Council Member (1984-1987) and Registered Principal, The Association of Consulting Engineers of Hong Kong
- Fellow, The Hong Kong Academy of Engineering Sciences
- Honorary Fellow and Former Honorary Advisor (2004-2006), The Chartered Institute of Building

- Fellow & Past President (1989-1990), The Hong Kong Association for the Advancement of Science and Technology
- Fellow & Former Honorary Adviser (1999-2002), The Hong Kong Institute of Real Estate Administration
- Honorary Fellow, The Hong Kong Institute of Facility Management
- Founder Member & Fellow, Hong Kong Institution of Highways and Transportation
- Honorary Advisor & Honorary Fellow, The Hong Kong Institute of Utility Surveyors

Occupation:

Engineer

Public Service:

Present Service

- Non-official Justice of the Peace
- Chairman, Public Works Subcommittee, Third Legislative Council (2004-present)
- Member, Election Council for Hong Kong Deputies to the Tenth National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China (2002-2007)
- Council Member, China Overseas Friendship Association (Since 9/2003)
- Chairman, Association of Engineering Professionals in Society (Since 12/1995)
- Advisory Professor, Construction Management Research Centre of Shanghai Tongji University (Since 7/1991)
- Chairman (Since 2/2005) and Vice Chairman (1988-2/2005), Guangdong Daya Bay Nuclear Plant and Ling Ao Nuclear Plant Safety Consultative Committee

Past Service

- Member, Second Legislative Council (Engineering Functional Constituency) (2000-2004)
- Member, First Legislative Council (Engineering Functional Constituency) (1998-2000)
- Chairman, Public Works Subcommittee, Second Legislative Council (2000-2004)
- Deputy Chairman, Public Works Subcommittee, First Legislative Council (1998-2000)
- Member, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Deputy Chairman, Public Works Subcommittee, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Member, Selection Committee for the First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1996-2002)
- Ex-officio Member, Election Committee for the Second Legislative Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (2000-2004)
- Ex-officio Member, Election Committee for the First Legislative Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1998-2000)
- Deputy Chairman, Select Committee to Inquire into the Circumstances Leading to the Problems Surrounding the Commencement of the Operation of the New Hong Kong International Airport at Chek Lap Kok since 6 July 1998 and Related Issues, Legislative Council (1998-1999)
- Member, Select Committee on Building Problems of Public Housing Units, Legislative Council (2001-2004)
- President, The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers (1987-1988)

- Member, Basic Law Consultative Committee (Representing Engineers) (1985-1990)
- Hong Kong Affairs Adviser (1994-1997)
- Member, Election Council for Hong Kong Deputies to the Ninth National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China (1997-2002)
- Council Chairman, The City University of Hong Kong/ Former City Polytechnic of Hong Kong (1992-1994)
- Chairman, Transport Advisory Committee (1995-1997)
- Member, Industry and Technology Development Council (ITDC) (1992-1994)
- Chairman, Hong Kong Technology Committee of the ITDC (1992-1994)
- Member, Planning Committee on Academic Awards (1986-1987); Vice Chairman, Provisional Hong Kong Council for Academic Accreditation (1987-1990) & Vice Chairman & Chairman of Executive Committee, Hong Kong Council for Academic Accreditation (1990-1991)
- Member, Consultative Committee on the New Airport and Related Projects (1991-1998)
- Council Member, Vocational Training Council (1993-1998)
- Member (1988-1995), & Chairman of Finance Committee, Occupational Safety and Health Council
- Member (1981-1993), & Chairman (1983-1993) of Finance Committee, Construction Industry Training Authority
- Member, Advisory Group on Road Openings (2001-2002)
- Member, Gas Safety Advisory Committee (9/1997-8/2005)

HON LEE CHEUK-YAN

Date of Birth: 12 February 1957

Education and Professional Qualifications:

B. Sc. (Eng.), Department of Civil Engineering, The University of Hong Kong

Occupation:

General Secretary, Hong Kong Confederation of Trade Unions

Public Service:

- Member, Legislative Council (1995-1997) (1998-present)
- Vice Chairman, Hong Kong Alliance in Support of Patriotic Democratic Movements of China (2003-present)
- Committee Member, Hong Kong Catholic Commission on Labour Affairs (1992-1994)
- Organizer, Kwun Tong Occupational Health Centre (1978-1980)
- Executive Secretary, Hong Kong Christian Industrial Committee (1980-1990)
- Chief Executive and General Secretary, Hong Kong Confederation of Trade Unions (1990-present)
- Committee Member, Employees Retraining Board (1995-2005)
- Committee Member, Construction Advisory Board (1996-3/1999)
- Committee Member, Committee on Occupational Safety and Health, Labour Advisory Board (2/1999-2005)

HON MARTIN LEE CHU-MING, SC, JP

Date of Birth: 8 June 1938

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- B.A., The University of Hong Kong
- Queen's Counsel
- Senior Counsel

Occupation:

Barrister-at-law

Public Service:

- Legal Adviser, Hong Kong Medical Association
- Member, Democratic Party
- Member, Hong Kong Bar Association
- Legal Adviser, Federation of Civil Service Unions
- Member of the Board of Reference, Christian Solidarity Worldwide Hong Kong
- Honorary Legal Adviser, The Wong Tai Sin Community Health Promotion Association
- Honorary Legal Adviser, Arts Association, The Hong Kong University Students' Union

DR HON DAVID LI KWOK-PO, GBS, JP

Date of Birth: 13 March 1939

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- M.A. (Economics and Law), University of Cambridge
- Fellow, Chartered Institute of Bankers
- Fellow, Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales
- Fellow, British Computer Society
- Fellow, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, England
- Honorary Degree of Doctor of Law, University of Cambridge
- Honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws, University of Warwick
- Honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws, The University of Hong Kong
- Honorary Degree of Doctor of Social Sciences, Lingnan College
- Honorary Degree of Doctor of Humane Letters, Trinity College, Hartford, Connecticut
- Fellow, Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- Fellow, The Hong Kong Institute of Bankers
- Fellow, The Australian Society of Certified Practising Accountants

Occupation:

Banker (Chairman and Chief Executive, The Bank of East Asia Limited)

Public Service:

Present Service

- Non-Official Member, Hong Kong Executive Council
- Unofficial Justice of the Peace
- Chairman, The Chinese Banks' Association Limited
- Member, Hong Kong Association of Banks Committee
- Member, Consultative Council, Hong Kong Association of Banks
- Member, Banking Advisory Committee
- Member, Exchange Fund Advisory Committee
- Member, Sub-committee on Currency Board
- Chairman, Executive Committee and Council, Hong Kong Management Association
- Chairman, Executive Committee of The Friends of Cambridge University in Hong Kong Limited
- Chairman, Executive Committee of The Friends of Uppingham School Limited
- Chairman, Executive Committee of The Friends of Winchester College Limited
- Chairman, Executive Committee of St. James' Settlement
- Chairman, the Advisory Board of The Salvation Army, Hong Kong and Macau Command
- Chairman, East Asian History of Science Foundation
- Life Patron, The Hong Kong Ballet
- Patron, Festival Fringe
- Vice Patron, The Community Chest of Hong Kong
- Honorary Patron, Mandarin Golf and Country Club
- Honorary Patron, Sincere Charitable Foundation
- Governor, Asian Institute of Management
- Pro-Chancellor, The University of Hong Kong
- Member, Hong Kong Red Cross Advisory Council
- Member, Pacific Rim Bankers Program Advisory Board
- Member, Council of Governors, Society for the Promotion of Hospice Care
- Trustee, University Graduates Association Scholarship Fund
- Emeritus Trustee, the Cambridge Foundation
- Trustee, Cambridge Overseas Trust
- Trustee, Board of Trustees, American Graduate School of International Management (Thunderbird)
- Founding Member, Friends of The Oxford and Cambridge Boat Race
- Member, The Asia Society International Council
- Member, A Commission on a New Asia
- Honorary Member, The Hong Kong Aviation Club
- Honorary Adviser, Hong Kong Arts Festival Society Limited
- Member, American Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong
- Honorary Adviser, Overseas Graduates Association
- Member, SEI Center for Advanced Studies in Management Board, The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania
- Member, The Asia Society Hong Kong Centre Advisory Committee
- Fellow, McKinsey Global Institute
- First Honorary Chairman, Hong Kong Chamber of Commerce in China
- Vice President, the Council of the Hong Kong Institute of Bankers
- Member, Board of Trustees of the Asia Business Council

- Member, International Advisory Boards of Carlos P. Romulo Foundation for Peace and Development
- Member, Federal Reserve Bank of New York's International Advisory Committee
- Member, Hospital for Special Surgery - International Advisory Council
- Member, Scripps International Network Advisory Board
- Senior Member of The Conference Board, Inc.
- Chairman, the Advisory Council to the Australian International School Board
- Member, Advisory Board of Capital Magazine
- Director, Hong Kong Interbank Clearing Limited
- Director, HKICL Services Limited
- Director, Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation
- Chairman, The Hong Kong Settlers Housing Corporation Limited
- Chairman, St. Joseph's College Foundation Limited
- Honorary President, Lee Clansmen's Association Limited
- Member, Daimler Chrysler International Advisory Board
- Non-executive Chairman, Edelman Asia Pacific
- Member, Komatsu International Advisory Board
- Member, Lafarge International Advisory Board
- Senior Adviser, Metrobank
- Member, Sirocco Aerospace International, SAE International Advisory Board
- Deputy Chairman, SR Technics Holding Advisory Board
- Director, Dow Jones & Company, Inc.
- Non-Executive Director, China Merchants China Direct Investments Limited
- Non-Executive Director, China Overseas Land & Investment Limited
- Non-Executive Director, COSCO Pacific Limited
- Non-Executive Director, Guangdong Investment Limited
- Non-Executive Director, The Hong Kong and China Gas Company Limited
- Non-Executive Director, The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, Limited
- Non-Executive Director, PCCW Limited
- Non-Executive Director, San Miguel Brewery Hong Kong Limited
- Non-Executive Director, SCMP Group Limited
- Non-Executive Director, Vitasoy International Holdings Limited

Past Service

- Hong Kong Affairs Adviser
- Member, Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-1997)
- Vice-Chairman, Basic Law Drafting Committee (1985-1990)
- Member, Preliminary Working Committee, Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1993-1995)
- Member, Law Reform Commission of Hong Kong (1982-1985)
- Member, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)

HON FRED LI WAH-MING, JP

Date of Birth: 25 April 1955

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Bachelor of Arts (Sociology)
- Master of Social Work
- Registered Social Worker, Hong Kong

Occupation:

Member, Legislative Council

Public Service:

- Deputy Chairman, House Committee, Legislative Council (2000-present)
- Chairman, Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene, Legislative Council (2000-present)
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Economic Services, Legislative Council (1998-2000)
- Deputy Chairman, Public Accounts Committee, Legislative Council (1998-2000)
- Member, Legislative Council (1991-1997)
- Chairman, Panel on Welfare Services, Legislative Council (1994-1997)
- Member, Urban Council (1991-1997)
- Member, Kwun Tong District Board (1985-1994)
- Member, Executive Committee, Democratic Party (1994-2000)
- Member, Urban Renewal Authority (2001-present)
- Member, Court and Council, Hong Kong Baptist University (1991-2000)
- Member, Estate Agents Authority (1997-2000)
- Member, Queen Elizabeth Foundation for the Mentally Handicapped (1997-2003)

- Member, Advisory Board, Tung Wah Group of Hospitals (1991-1997)
- Member, Advisory Committee on Corruption (1996-2001)
- Director, AIDS Concern (1998-2002)
- Member, Provisional Urban Council (1997-1999)
- Director, Senior Citizen Home Safety Association (1997-present)
- Member, ICAC Complaints Committee (2002-present)
- Member, Investor Education Advisory Committee, The Securities and Futures Commission (2004-2005)
- Member, Action Committee Against Narcotics (2005-2006)
- Member, Hong Kong Housing Authority (2005-2007)

DR HON LUI MING-WAH, SBS, JP

Date of Birth: 4 April 1938

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- M.Sc., University of N.S.W., Sydney, Australia
- Ph.D., University of Saskatchewan, Canada
- P.Eng. / C.Eng.

Occupation:

Businessman

Public Service:

Present

- Chairman, Panel on Constitutional Affairs, Legislative Council
- Standing Committee Member, The Chinese Manufacturers' Association of Hong Kong
- Honorary Chairman, The Hong Kong Electronics Industries Association
- Advisor, Hong Kong International Arbitration Center
- Member, Trade and Industry Advisory Board
- Member, National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference
- Standing Committee Member, Shandong Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference
- Vice President, Shandong Province General Chamber of Commerce
- Council Member, China Overseas Friendship Association
- Council Member, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
- Advisory Professor, The Shandong University
- Chairman, Hong Kong Shandong Business Association
- Vice Chairman, Independent Police Complaints Council
- Member, Guangdong Daya Bay Nuclear Power Station and Ling Ao Nuclear Power Station Nuclear Safety Advisory Board



HON MARGARET NG

Date of Birth: 25 January 1948

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- B.A., The University of Hong Kong
- M.A., The University of Hong Kong
- Ph.D., Boston University
- B.A. (Law), University of Cambridge
- P.C.LL. (Law), The University of Hong Kong
- Barrister-at-Law

Occupation:

Barrister

Public Service:

- Chairman, Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services, Legislative Council (1995-1997) (1998-present)
- Deputy Chairman, Committee on Rules of Procedure, Legislative Council (1998-present)
- Vice Chairman, Justice, Hong Kong Section of the International Commission of Jurists (1999-present)
- Honorary President, The Prisoners' Friends' Association (2004-present)
- Member, Operations Review Committee, Independent Commission Against Corruption (1996-2003)
- Member, Panel of Lay Assessors (1979-1981)
- Member, Shatin District Advisory Board (1980-1981)
- Member, Shatin District Board (1981-1982)
- Member, Management and Operations Committee, Hong Kong Housing Authority (1980-1983)
- Member, Citizens Advisory Committee on Community Relations, Independent Commission Against Corruption (1981-1983)

- Member, Executive Council of The Hong Kong Council of Social Service (1984-1985)
- Adjudicator, Obscene Articles Tribunal (1987-1988)
- Member, Public Relations Committee for The Community Chest of Hong Kong (1989-1990)
- Part-time Member, Central Policy Unit (1989-1990) (1991-1992)
- Member, Standing Committee on Language Education and Research (1996)
- Member, Town Planning Appeal Board

HON MRS SELINA CHOW LIANG SHUK-YEE, GBS, JP

Date of Birth: 25 January 1945

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- St. Paul's Co-Educational College (Primary and Secondary Levels)
- B.A. in English, The University of Hong Kong
- Post Graduation Diploma, Rose Bruford College of Speech and Drama, UK
- A.D.B., L.R.A.M. in Drama (Teacher and Performer)

Occupation:

Full-time Legislator

Public Service:

Present Service

- Member, Consultative Committee on the Core Arts and Cultural Facilities of the West Kowloon Cultural District (4/2006-present)
- Convenor, Performing Arts and Tourism Advisory Group (4/2006-present)
- Member of the Executive Committee, Commission on Strategic Development (11/2005-present)
- Member, Aviation Development Advisory Committee (8/2005-present)
- Member, National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (3/2005-present)
- Member, The Greater Pearl River Delta Business Council (3/2004-present)
- Non-official Member, Executive Council (9/2003-present)
- Hon. Advisor, "Quality Tourism Services" Association Governing Council (2003-present)

- Chairman, "Quality Tourism Services" Committee (6/2003-present)
- Chairman, Hong Kong Intellectual Property Society (6/2003-present)
- Vice Chairman, Board of Governors, Hong Kong Design Centre (2000-present)
- Chairman, Hong Kong Tourism Board (4/2000-present)
- Member, Hong Kong Trade Development Council (4/2000-present)
- Deputy Chairman, Liberal Party (1999-present)
- Member, Central Committee of the Liberal Party (1992-present)
- Patron, Lok Chi Society (1985-present)
- Hon. Advisor, Against Child Abuse (1981-present)

Past Service

- Member, Film Development Fund Advisory Committee (1999-2005)
- Hon. Advisor, Retail Management Association (1996-2004)
- Member, Legislative Council "Functional Constituency - Wholesale and Retail" (1995-2004)
- Member, "Quality Tourism Services" Committee (2000-2003)
- Vice Patron, "Quality Tourism Services" Scheme (2000-2003)
- Chairman, House Committee, Legislative Council (10/2000-10/2003)
- Board Member, Hong Kong Tourist Association (1999-2000)
- Member, Small and Medium Enterprises Committee (1996-2000)

- Member, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Hon. Advisor, Association of Better Business & Tourism Services (1995-2003)
- Chairman, Executive Committee of the Liberal Party (1992-1995)
- Appointed Member, Executive Council (1991-1992)
- Member, Education Commission (1990-1992)
- Member, Advisory Committee on Corruption, Independent Commission Against Corruption (1986-1988)
- Member, Hong Kong Housing Authority (1986-1988)
- Chairman, International Youth Year Central Co-ordinating Committee (1985)
- Member, Council of the Hong Kong Academy for the Performing Arts (1984-1988)
- Chairman, Consumer Council (1984-1988)
- Council Member, Family Planning Association of Hong Kong (1984-1985)
- Member, Council for the Performing Arts (1982-1986)
- District Board Member (Mongkok) (1982-1984)
- Executive Committee Member, Hong Kong Housing Society (1981-1984)
- Member, Law Reform Commission (1980-1984)
- Appointed Member, Urban Council (1980-1984)
- Member, Central Fight Crime Committee (1976-1981)
- President, Zonta Club of Hong Kong (1976-1977)
- Member, Citizens Advisory Committee on Community Relations, Independent Commission Against Corruption (1975)
- Board Member, Airport Authority Hong Kong (1999-2005)

HON JAMES TO KUN-SUN

Date of Birth: 11 March 1963

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- LL.B., The University of Hong Kong
- Solicitor of Hong Kong Court

Occupation:

Solicitor

Public Service:

- Chairman, Panel on Security, Legislative Council (1998-2000, 2001-2002, 2003-present)
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Security, Legislative Council (2000-2001, 2002-2003)
- Member, Legislative Council (1991-1997)
- Elected Member, Sham Shui Po District Board (1991-1994)
- Elected Member, Yau Tsim Mong District Council (1999-present)
- Member, Fight Crime Committee (1992-2003)
- Member, Yau Tsim Mong Fight Crime Committee (2004-present)
- Member, Action Committee Against Narcotics (1994-2003)
- Member, Managing Board, Land Development Corporation (1996-2001)
- Member, Investor Education Advisory Committee, Securities and Futures Commission (1998-2001)
- Founding Member, United Democrats of Hong Kong (1990-1995)
- Founding Member, Democratic Party (1995-present)

HON CHEUNG MAN-KWONG

Date of Birth: 15 September 1954

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Bachelor of Social Science, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (1978)
- Registered Teacher

Occupation:

- Teacher
- Member of the Legislative Council

Public Service:

- Member, Legislative Council (1991-1997) (1998-present)
- Council Member, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (1998-present)
- President, Hong Kong Professional Teachers' Union
- Member, Standing Committee, Hong Kong Alliance in Support of Patriotic Democratic Movements of China
- Member, Education Commission (1993-6/2005)

HON CHAN YUEN-HAN, JP

Date of Birth: 15 November 1946

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Hoi Luk Fung School
- San Kiu Middle School
- Chack Kwan Middle School
- Higher Diploma, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University and Hong Kong Business Management Society
- B.A. in Philosophy, Guangdong Science and Research University
- University of Warwick

Occupation:

Trade Union Officer

Public Service:

- Chairman, Panel on Welfare Services, Legislative Council (1998-2000, 2001-2002, 2003-2005)
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Welfare Services, Legislative Council (2000-2001, 2002-2003, 2005-present)
- Member, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Chairman, Panel on Housing, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Member, Legislative Council (1995-1997)
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Manpower, Legislative Council (1995-1997)
- Vice-Chairman, The Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions (1994-2006)
- Vice President, The Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions (2006-present)



- Union Regulator, Hong Kong Department Stores and Commercial Staff General Union
- Founding Member, Democratic Alliance for Betterment of Hong Kong
- Director, Education Advancement Society for Workers in Hong Kong and Kowloon
- Hong Kong Affairs Adviser (1994-1997)
- Executive Member, All-China Women's Federation (2005-present)
- Member, Eastern District Board (1988-1991)
- Member, Selection Committee for the First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
- Member, Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Advisory Committee (1998-3/2005)
- Member, Hong Kong Productivity Council (1994-1995)
- Honorary Chairman, Federation of Hong Kong, Kowloon and New Territories Public Housing Estate Residents and Shopowners Organization
- Councillor of Management, Lok Kwan Social Service Company Limited
- Trustee, Hong Kong-China Relation Strategic Development Research Fund
- Chairperson of Sau Ming Primary School Management Committee
- Member, Disaster Relief Fund Advisory Committee (11/2000-4/2004)
- Member, Citizens Advisory Committee on Community Relation, Independent Commission Against Corruption (1/2003-present)
- Member, Workers' Children Secondary School Management Committee (8/2004-present)
- Supervisor, Workers' Children Secondary School (11/2004-present)
- Member, Management Board of the Hong Kong College of Technology (10/2002-present)
- Member of the Executive Committee, Commission on Strategic Development (11/2005-present)
- Member of the Task Force on Continuing Development and Employment-Related Training for Youth (3/2006-present)
- Member of the Skills Upgrading Scheme Steering Committee
- Member of the Vocational Training Council

HON BERNARD CHAN, GBS, JP

Date of Birth: 11 January 1965

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Bachelor of Arts, Pomona College, California, USA

Occupation:

- President, Asia Financial Group
- President, Asia Insurance Co. Ltd.

Public Service:

Industry Service

- Member, Insurance Advisory Committee

Community Service

- Member, Executive Council
- Chairperson, The Hong Kong Council of Social Service
- Chairman, Hong Kong - Thailand Business Council
- Chairman, Standing Committee on Disciplined Services Salaries and Conditions of Service
- Deputy Chairman, Lingnan University
- Member, Greater Pearl River Delta Business Council
- Vice Chairman, Oxfam Hong Kong

HON CHAN KAM-LAM, SBS, JP

Date of Birth: 22 January 1949

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Hong Kong Technical College (now known as The Hong Kong Polytechnic University) (1971)

Occupation:

Full-time Councillor

Public Service:

- Chairman, Panel on Housing, Legislative Council (2000-2001, 2002-2003, 2004-2005)
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Housing, Legislative Council (2001-2002, 2003-2004)
- Deputy Chairman, Finance Committee, Legislative Council (1998-2000, 2004-2005)
- Member, Hong Kong Housing Authority
- Board Member, Urban Renewal Authority
- Director, The Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation Ltd.
- Member, Economic and Employment Council
- Member, Kwun Tong District Council
- Central and Standing Committee Member, Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong
- Chairman, Kwun Tong Resident Union
- Vice President, Kowloon Federation of Associations
- Director, Kowloon City, Kwun Tong and Wong Tai Sin Residents Association Company Limited
- Council Member, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (1995-2004)
- Director, Exchange Fund Investment Ltd. (1998-2003)
- Chairman, Panel on Trade and Industry, Legislative Council (1998-2000)

- Chairman, Panel on Manpower, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Deputy Chairman, Public Accounts Committee, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Member, Legislative Council (1995-1997)
- Kwun Tong Provisional District Board Member (1997-1999)
- Elected Member, Kwun Tong District Board (1988-1997)
- Hong Kong District Affairs Adviser (1994-1997)
- Member, Bilingual Laws Advisory Committee (1995-1997)
- Member of Deposit - Taking Companies Advisory Committee

HON MRS SOPHIE LEUNG LAU YAU-FUN, SBS, JP

Date of Birth: 9 October 1945

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Bachelor of Mathematics and Computer Science, University of Illinois, USA

Occupation:

- Director, Bay Apparel Limited
- Director, Golden Emblem Investment Company Limited

Public Service:

Present Service

Legislation

- HKSAR Deputy, the Tenth National People's Congress, People's Republic of China (2003-2008)
- Member, Third Legislative Council (2004-2008)
- Chairman, Committee on Members' Interests, Legislative Council (2005-2006)
- Chairman, Panel on Commerce and Industry, Legislative Council (2005-2006)
- Member, Panel on Constitutional Affairs, Legislative Council (2005-2006)
- Member, Panel on Health Services, Legislative Council (2005-2006)
- Member, Panel on Public Service, Legislative Council (2005-2006)
- Member, Panel on Welfare Services, Legislative Council (2005-2006)
- Member, Subcommittee on Strategy and Measures to Tackle Family Violence (2005-2006)

- Member, Subcommittee to Study the Administration's Proposals for the Methods for Selecting the Chief Executive in 2007 and for Forming the Legislative Council in 2008 (2005-2006)
- Member, Bills Committee on Interception of Communications and Surveillance Bill (2006)

Textile

- Member, Textiles Advisory Board (1989-2007)
- Director, Textile Council of Hong Kong Limited (1991-present)
- Patron Member, The Textile Institute (Hong Kong Section) (1995-present)
- Honorary President, Federation of Hong Kong Garment Manufacturers (1998-present)
- Director, Federation of Hong Kong Garment Manufacturers (1998-present)
- Honorary Advisor, Hong Kong Chinese Textile Mills Association (1998-present)

Women

- Honorary President and Founding Member, Hong Kong Federation of Women (1993-present)
- Vice-President, The Hong Kong Chinese Women's Club (2006-present)
- Advisor, Chiu Yang Residents Association of Hong Kong Ladies Committee (2003-present)
- Honorary Advisor, Soul Talk (2004-present)
- Honorary Consultant, Women Committee, Federation of Hong Kong Guangdong Community Organisations (2005-present)
- Honorary Advisor, Hong Kong Southern District Women's Association (2005-present)

Education

- Founding Senior Member, Foundation for Educational Development and Research, The University of Hong Kong (1996-present)

Youth

- Founder & Chairman, The Young Entrepreneurs Development Council Limited (1998-present)
- Co-founder, Education Aboard Services (Hong Kong) Limited (1985-present)

Medical

- Permanent Adviser, Yan Chai Hospital (1986-present)
- Advisor, Hong Kong Health Care Association on Aging Co. Ltd. (2003-present)
- Trustee, The Queen Mary Hospital Charitable Trust (2005-present)
- Chairperson, Clinical Governance Committee, Hong Kong Sanatorium & Hospital (2005-2007)

Environmental

- Honorary Advisor, Hong Kong Environmental Industry Association (2000-present)
- Chairperson, Governing Board, Hong Kong Organic Resource Centre (2003-present)

Charity

- Chairman, Chi Lin Trust Fund for the Aged Committee (1993-present)
- Founder, Elementary Charitable Foundation (1986-present)
- Patron, Friends Unlimited (1998-present)
- Member, Disaster Relief Fund Advisory Committee (1998-2008)

- Member of the “Best Acoustics of the Orient”, Hong Kong Culture Association (2006)

Others

- Council Member and Director, The Hong Kong Institute of Directors Limited (1997-present)
- Member, The American Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong (1998-present)
- Permanent Member, the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce (1997-present)
- Honorary Advisor, Hong Kong Chiu Chow Chamber of Commerce Limited (1998-present)
- Honorary President, Chiu Yang Residents Association of Hong Kong Limited (1998-present)
- Honorary Advisor, Federation of Hong Kong Chiu Chow Community Organizations (2002-present)
- Permanent Honorary President, Friends of Hong Kong Association Limited (1996-present)
- Permanent Honorary President, Central District Kai-Fong Welfare Association Limited (1986-present)
- Honorary President, Federation of Hong Kong Guangdong Committee Organizations Limited (1996-present)
- Honorary President, Hong Kong Shunde Xing Tan Clansmen Association Limited (2000-present)
- Principal, Guangdong Province Shunde Xing Tan Secondary School (1999-present)
- Committee Member, Organizing Committee of Compatriots in Hong Kong for Celebration of the Founding of the People’s Republic of China (2003-present)
- Honorary President, the Association of Chinese Culture of Hong Kong (2003-present)
- Advisor, Heung Yee Kuk New Territories (2004-2008)
- Honorary President, The Hong Kong Island Federation (2005-2007)
- Honorary President, Friends of Qixia Apple of Hong Kong Association (2004-present)
- Honorary Chief Adviser in Advisory Committee of the Council of Management, Hong Kong Jewellery & Jade Manufacturers Association (2004-present)
- Honorary President, The New Territories Small and Medium Business Association (2005-present)
- Advisor, Roundtable (Hong Kong Avant-garde Policy Research Institute) (2006-present)

HON LEUNG YIU-CHUNG

Date of Birth: 19 May 1953

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- B.A. (Hons.), University of Essex, UK
- Post-graduate Certificate in Education, The University of Hong Kong

Occupation:

Teacher

Public Service:

- Member, Kwai Tsing District Board/District Council (1985-present)
- Member, Legislative Council (1995-1997) (1998-present)
- Executive Committee Member, Neighbourhood and Workers Service Centre
- Member, The Frontier
- Standing Committee Member, Hong Kong Alliance in Support of Patriotic Democratic Movements of China (1990-present)

HON SIN CHUNG-KAI, JP

Date of Birth: 15 June 1960

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- M.B.A., The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Bachelor of Science, The University of Hong Kong
- Member, Hong Kong Computer Society
- Life Member, Hong Kong Intellectual Property Society

Occupation:

Assistant Information Technology Project Manager

Public Service:

- Member, Legislative Council (Information Technology Functional Constituency) (1998-2008)
- Chairman, Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting (2000-present)
- Member, Digital 21 Strategy Advisory Committee (2004-2008)
- Deputy Chairman, Committee on Members' Interests (1998-present)
- Member, Competition Policy Review Committee (2005-2006)
- Member, Advisory Committee on Code of Practice for Recognized Certification Authorities (2000-2007)
- Member, Hong Kong Housing Authority (2001-2007)
- Director, Board of Directors, Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation Limited (1999-2007)
- Member, Advisory Committee on Corruption of the ICAC (2002-2006)
- Member, Travel Agents Advisory Committee (2002-2006)
- Member, RTHK TV Program Advisory Panel (2000-2008)



- Adviser, Federation of Hong Kong Filmmakers (2006-2008)
- Adviser, Manufacturing Integration Association (2006-present)
- Honorary Adviser, Pok Oi Hospital (2006-2007)
- Council Member, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (2001-2007)
- Honorary Adviser, Hong Kong Retail Technology Industry Association (2003-present)
- Member, Adviser Committee, Hong Kong Digital Entertainment Association (2003-present)
- Advisor, Advisory Panel of Hong Kong Education City Ltd. (2003-2005)
- Member, Advisory Board of the Hong Kong Wireless Technology Industry Association (2001-present)
- Member, Steering Committee, Information Security and Forensics Society (2000-present)
- Honorary Member, Hong Kong External Telecommunications Services Association (1999-present)
- Member, Advisory Peer Group, Applied Computing Program, The Open University of Hong Kong (1999-present)
- Course Honorary Adviser, MSc in Corporate Governance and Directorship, Hong Kong Baptist University (2005-2007)
- Honorary Adviser, ITAccountants Association (2004-2006)
- Member, Advisory Committee on Information Engineering, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (2004-2006)
- Member, Advisory Committee for the Master of Science Programme in Information and Technology Management, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (2000-2006)
- Honorary Adviser, Hong Kong Enterprise Resources Management Society (2003-2005)
- Member, Advisory Committee, R&D Programme in Transport Information Systems, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (2001-2005)
- Adviser, Information and Software Industry Association (1999-2007)
- Member, Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Advisory Committee (1998-2005)
- Member, Information Infrastructure Advisory Committee, Information Technology and Broadcasting Bureau (1998-2004)
- Member, Investor Education Advisory Committee, Securities and Futures Commission (2001-2003)
- Adviser, Hong Kong Linux Industry Association (2003)
- Member, Working Group on Web-enabling Women, Home Affairs Department (2000-2002)
- Member, Steering Committee of the Hong Kong Education City (2000-2002)
- Member, IT Task Force, Equal Opportunities Commission (2000-2001)
- Member, Legislative Council (Geographical Constituency New Territories South) (1995-1997)
- Member, Regional Council (1988-1994)
- Member, Kwai Tsing District Board/District Council (1985-2003)
- Chairman, Kwai Tsing District Board (1994-1999)

DR HON PHILIP WONG YU-HONG, GBS

Date of Birth: 23 December 1938

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- M.Sc. (Engineering), University of California, USA
- J.D. (Law), Southland University, USA
- Ph.D. (Engineering), California Coast University, USA

Occupation:

- Chairman and Chief Executive, Winco Paper Products Company Limited

Public Service:

- Chairman, Public Accounts Committee, Legislative Council
- Deputy, National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China
- Treasurer, The Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, Hong Kong
- Member, Hong Kong Trade Development Council

HON WONG YUNG-KAN, JP

Date of Birth: 10 August 1951

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Diploma in Modern Management, South China Teacher's University

Occupation:

Fisherman

Public Service:

- Hong Kong District Affairs Adviser (1995-1997)
- Member, Tai Po District Board/District Council (1991-1997) (1999-2007)
- Member, Tai Po Provisional District Board (1997-1999)
- Member, Agriculture, Fisheries, Commerce and Industries Committee, Tai Po District Board/District Council (1985-2007)
- Member, Traffic and Transport Committee, Tai Po District Board/District Council (1991-2007)
- Member, Environmental Improvement and Works Committee, Tai Po District Board (1991-1997)
- Member, Recreation, Sports and Cultural Affairs Committee, Tai Po District Board (1991-1997)
- Member, Social Services Committee, Tai Po District Board/District Council (1991-2007)
- Convenor, Working Group for Elderly Project, Social Services Committee, Tai Po District Board (1996-1998)
- Member, Fish Marketing Advisory Board
- Member, Advisory Committee on Agriculture and Fisheries
- Chairman, Aquaculture Sub-committee, Advisory Committee on Agriculture and Fisheries

- Member, Livestock Sub-committee, Advisory Committee on Agriculture and Fisheries
- Member, Capture Fisheries Sub-committee, Advisory Committee on Agriculture and Fisheries
- Member, Wetland Advisory Committee
- Member, Working Group on Fisheries Management
- Member, Fisheries Development Loan Fund Advisory Committee
- Member, Mainland Fishermen Deckhands Appeal Board
- Member, Working Group on Close Fishing Season in the South China Sea
- Deputy President, New Territories Association of Societies
- Chairman, Joint Committee of Hong Kong Fishermen's Organizations
- Chairman, Federation of Fishermen's Co-operative Societies of Tai Po District New Territories Limited
- Director, The Unlimited Liabilities Co-operative Society of Tai Po Hand-liner Fishermen
- Chairman, New Territories Fishermen Fraternity Association (1997-2005)
- Chairman, Federation of Hong Kong Aquaculture Associations
- President, Tai Po Dragon Boat Race Committee

HON JASPER TSANG YOK-SING, GBS, JP

Date of Birth: 17 May 1947

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- B.A., The University of Hong Kong (1968)
- Cert. Ed., The University of Hong Kong (1981)
- M. Ed., The University of Hong Kong (1983)

Occupation:

Full-time Legislator

Public Service:

- Member, Executive Council
- Member, National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference
- Supervisor, Pui Kiu Middle School
- Manager, Pui Kiu Primary School
- Board Member, Airport Authority
- Non-Executive Director, Securities and Futures Commission
- Member, ICAC Complaints Committee
- Member, Disaster Relief Fund Advisory Committee
- Member, Tung Wah Group of Hospitals Advisory Board

HON HOWARD YOUNG, SBS, JP

Date of Birth: 30 March 1948

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- B.Sc. (Economics) Part I, London University
- British Diploma in Marketing
- Member, Chartered Institute of Marketing, UK

Occupation:

General Manager, Industry and Hong Kong Affairs, Cathay Pacific Airways

Public Service:

- Member, Southern District Council
- Member, Legislative Council (1991-1997) (1998-present)
- Member, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Member, Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1995-1997)
- Member, Election Committee for the First Legislative Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
- Member, Vocational Training Council
- Member, Tourism Strategy Group
- Member, Standing Commission on Civil Service Salaries and Conditions of Service
- Member, Steering Committee on Civil Service Pay Adjustment Mechanism
- Board Member, Urban Renewal Authority
- Member, Executive Committee, Outward Bound Trust of Hong Kong
- Member, Executive Committee, Central Committee, Liberal Party

DR HON YEUNG SUM

Date of Birth: 22 November 1947

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- B.Soc.Sc., The University of Hong Kong
- M.A., University of York, UK
- Ph.D., The University of Hong Kong

Occupation:

Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work and Social Administration, The University of Hong Kong

Public Service:

- Member, Executive Committee, Democratic Party
- Member, Central Committee, Democratic Party
- Chairman, Panel on Education, Legislative Council (2000-2001, 2002-2003, 2004-2005)
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Education, Legislative Council (2001-2002, 2003-2004)
- Committee Member, Education Action Group

HON LAU CHIN-SHEK, JP

Date of Birth: 12 September 1944

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Senior Secondary Level

Occupation:

Legislative Councillor

Public Service:

- Chairman, Panel on Manpower, Legislative Council
- Vice Chairman, Hong Kong Christian Industrial Committee
- President, Hong Kong Confederation of Trade Unions
- Spokesman, Coalition to Monitor Public Transport and Utilities
- Board Member, Hong Kong Marrow Match Foundation
- Member, Court of The University of Hong Kong
- Member, Consultative Committee on the Core Arts and Cultural Facilities of the West Kowloon Cultural District
- Member, Cantonese Opera Advisory Committee
- Member, Employees Retraining Board

HON LAU KONG-WAH, JP

Date of Birth: 22 June 1957

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- St. Paul's College
- Sir Robert Black College of Education
- B. Phil., University of Exeter, UK
- M. Phil., City Polytechnic of Hong Kong

Occupation:

Legislative Councillor

Public Service:

- Chairman, Panel on Transport, Legislative Council
- Vice Chairman, Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong
- Founding Member, Civil Force

HON LAU WONG-FAT, GBM, GBS, JP

Date of Birth: 15 October 1936

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Ling Shan College

Occupation:

Chairman, Wing Tung Yick (Holdings) Limited

Public Service:

- Member, National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (1993-present)
- Chairman, Heung Yee Kuk (1980-present)
- Chairman, Tuen Mun District Board/District Council (1982-present)
- Chairman, Tuen Mun Rural Committee (1972-present)
- Member, Legislative Council (1985-1997)
- Member, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Chairman, Provisional Regional Council (1997-1999)
- Member, Regional Council (1985-1997)
- President, The Hong Kong Girl Guides Association, Tuen Mun District
- President, The Scout Association of Hong Kong, Tuen Mun District
- Member, Yan Oi Tong Advisory Board

HON EMILY LAU WAI-HING, JP

Date of Birth: 21 January 1952

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- B.A., Broadcast Journalism, University of Southern California, USA
- M.Sc., International Relations, London School of Economics and Political Science, University of London, UK

Occupation:

Legislative Councillor

Public Service:

- Chairman, Finance Committee, Legislative Council (2004-present)
- Deputy Chairman, Public Accounts Committee, Legislative Council (2000-2004)
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Constitutional Affairs, Legislative Council (2000-2004)
- Directly Elected Legislative Councillor (1991-1997) (1998-present)
- Vice-Chairperson, Hong Kong Journalists Association (1988-1989)
- Chairperson, Hong Kong Journalists Association (1989-1991)

HON CHOY SO-YUK, JP

Date of Birth: 10 October 1950

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Master of Philosophy, The University of Hong Kong (1978)
- Bachelor of Science (Hons.), The University of Hong Kong (1974)

Occupation:

Merchant

Public Service:

- Member, Legislative Council (1998 to present)
- Chairman, Panel on Environmental Affairs, Legislative Council (2001 to present)
- Chairman, Panel on Home Affairs, Legislative Council (1998-2001)
- Member, Eastern District Council
- Member, Fujian Committee, The Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference
- Central Committee Member, Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong
- Member, Court of The University of Hong Kong
- Deputy Secretary General, Board of Directors, Overseas Chinese University of China
- Chairman, Hong Kong Trees Conservation Association
- Member, Council for Sustainable Development
- Member, Environment and Conservation Fund Committee
- Chairman, Waste Recovery Projects Vetting Sub-Committee, Environment and Conservation Fund Committee
- Honorary Fellow, Institute of Horticulture (Hong Kong)
- Permanent Honorary Chairman, South China Athletics Association
- Honorable Chairman, Yin Ngai Central Council
- Honorary Vice President, Hong Kong Federation of Women
- Honorary Chairman, Hong Kong Southern District Community Association
- Honorary Chairman, Hong Kong Eastern District Community Association
- Honorary Chairman, Joint Committee of Hong Kong Fishermen's Organizations
- Honorary Chairman, Hong Kong Eastern District Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- Director, Fujian Middle School, Hong Kong
- Permanent Honorary Chairman, Gee Tuck General Association Hong Kong
- Honorary Chairman, Hong Kong Youth Association

HON ANDREW CHENG KAR-FOO

Date of Birth: 28 April 1960

Education and Professional Qualifications:

B.A., M.A., M.Ed., Practising Solicitor

Occupation:

Solicitor

Public Service:

- Chairman, Panel on Health Services, Legislative Council (2004-2005)
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Transport, Legislative Council (2003-2004) (2005-present)
- Chairman, Panel on Home Affairs, Legislative Council (2000-2001)
- Member, Legislative Council (1995-1997) (1998-present)
- Member, Economic and Employment Council (2004-2005)
- Member, Task Force on Employment (2002-2004)
- Member, Tai Po District Council (1999-present)
- Member, Southern District Council (1994-1999)

HON TIMOTHY FOK TSUN-TING, GBS, JP

Date of Birth: 14 February 1946

Education and Professional Qualifications:

University of Southern California, USA

Occupation:

Merchant

Public Service:

- Member, National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference
- Member, Selection Committee for the First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
- President, Sports Federation and Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China
- President, Hong Kong Football Association
- Member, International Olympic Committee
- Vice-President, Olympic Council of Asia

HON TAM YIU-CHUNG, GBS, JP

Date of Birth: 15 December 1949

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- “Adult Education”, Australia National University, Centre for Continuing Education
- “Trade Union Studies”, London School of Economics and Political Science, University of London, UK
- Honorary Life Fellow, Institute of Commercial Management, UK

Occupation:

- Trade Union Officer
- Vice-President, Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions

Public Service:

- Chairman, Panel on Public Service, Legislative Council
- Member, Manpower Development Committee
- Non-Executive Director, Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority
- Member, Chinese People’s Political Consultative Conference

HON ABRAHAM SHEK LAI-HIM, JP

Date of Birth: 24 June 1945

Education and Professional Qualifications:

B.A. and Dip. Ed., University of Sydney, Australia

Occupation:

Company Director

Public Service:

- Member, Managing Board of Kowloon-Canton Railway Corporation
- Advisory Professor, Tsinghua University, Beijing
- Advisory Professor, Huazhong University of Science and Technology
- Director, The Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation Ltd.
- Member, the Ninth Wuhan Municipal Committee of the Chinese People’s Political Consultative Conference
- Member, the Fourth Shenzhen Municipal Committee of the Chinese People’s Political Consultative Conference

HON LI FUNG-YING, BBS, JP

Date of Birth: 2 December 1950

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Tertiary Education

Occupation:

Trade Union Officer

Public Service:

- Member, Manpower Development Committee
- Member, Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Advisory Committee
- Member, Commission on Poverty
- Vice Chairman, The Federation of Hong Kong and Kowloon Labour Unions

HON TOMMY CHEUNG YU-YAN, JP

Date of Birth: 30 September 1949

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Pepperdine University (B.Sc., M.B.A.)

Occupation:

- Chairman, Goldearn Consultants Ltd.
- Chairman, Syto Trading and Investment Ltd.
- Chairman, Citiway Development Ltd.
- Deputy General Manager, World Trade Centre Club Hong Kong
- Director, Art Concept International Culture Studies Foundation Ltd.
- Independent Non-Executive Director, Wah Yuen Holdings Ltd.
- Independent Non-Executive Director and Member of the Audit Committee, Ocean Grand Chemicals Holdings Ltd.

Public Service:

- Member, Legislative Council
- Chairman, Panel on Home Affairs, Legislative Council
- Member, Eastern District Council
- Member, Advisory Committee on Admission Scheme for Mainland Talents and Professionals
- Member, ICAC Complaints Committee
- Member, Liquor Licensing Board
- Member, Hong Kong Housing Authority
- Member, Hong Kong Housing Authority - Commercial Properties Committee
- Chairman, Hong Kong Catering Industry Association

- Honorary Life President, The Association of Restaurant Managers Ltd.
- Convenor and Spokesman, Restaurant Trade TES Concern Group
- Adviser, Sai Kung Food & Beverages Association
- Honorary President, Hong Kong & Kowloon Vermicelli & Noodle Manufacturing Workers Union
- President, Kowloon City Merchant Association
- Vice Chairman, Hong Kong Eye Foundation
- Member, Quality Tourism Services Committee
- Adviser, Quality Tourism Services Association
- Member, The Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce
- Committee Member, Diocesan Boys' School
- Member of the Legislative Council to The English Schools Foundation
- 港九新界販商社團聯合會名譽會長

HON ALBERT CHAN WAI-YIP

Date of Birth: 3 March 1955

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Bachelor of Arts
- Bachelor of Social Work
- Master of Social Work

Occupation:

Full-time Councillor

Public Service:

- Member, Public Works Subcommittee, Legislative Council
- Member, Panel on Transport, Legislative Council
- Member, Panel on Planning, Lands and Works, Legislative Council
- Member, Panel on Housing, Legislative Council
- Member, Panel on Environmental Affairs, Legislative Council
- Member, Panel on Welfare Services, Legislative Council
- Member, Subcommittee on West Kowloon Cultural District Development, Legislative Council
- Member, Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways, Legislative Council
- Deputy Chairman, Bills Committee on Smoking (Public Health) (Amendment) Bill 2005, Legislative Council
- Member, Bills Committee on Building Management (Amendment) Bill 2005, Legislative Council
- Member, Bills Committee on Betting Duty (Amendment) Bill 2006, Legislative Council
- Chairman, New Territories West's Coalition

- Chairman, New Territories West's Coalition on Livelihood
- Member, Tsuen Wan District Board/District Council (1985-present)
- Member, Legislative Council (1991-1997)
- Member, Regional Council (1986-1995)

HON FREDERICK FUNG KIN-KEE, SBS, JP

Date of Birth: 17 March 1953

Education and Professional Qualifications:

B.A. (Hons.) in Social Policy and Public Administration, Bradford University, UK (1982)

Occupation:

Legislative Councillor

Public Service:

Political Experience

- Founder (1986) and Chairman (1989-present), Hong Kong Association for Democracy and People's Livelihood (ADPL)
- Vice-Chairman, Hong Kong Association for Democracy and People's Livelihood (1986-1989)

Experience on Community Organizations and Societies

- Chairman, ADPL Social Service Centre (2002-present)
- President, Concern for Sham Shui Po People's Livelihood (1984-present)
- Community Organizer, Society for Community Organization (1976-1979)

Experience on China-Hong Kong Affairs

- Member, Election Council for Hong Kong Deputies to the Ninth and the Tenth National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China (1997-present)
- Member, Preparatory Committee for the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1996-1997)
- Member, Selection Committee for the First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1996-1998)

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- Hong Kong Affairs Adviser (1994-1997)
 - Member, Hong Kong Basic Law Consultative Committee (1985-1989)
 - Member, Election Committee for the Second Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (2000-2005)

Parliamentary Experience

- Elected Member, Legislative Council (2000-present)
- Member, Provisional Legislative Council (1997-1998)
- Elected Member, Legislative Council (1991-1997)
- Elected Member, Sham Shui Po District Board/District Council (1988-1991, 2000-present)
- Elected Member, Urban Council (1983-1995)
- Ex-Officio Member, Sham Shui Po District Board (1983-1988)

Experience on Cultural Affairs

- Chairman, Performing Companies Sub-committee of Urban Council (1985-1995)
- Vice Chairman, Culture Select Committee of Urban Council (1984-1995)
- Board Member, Hong Kong Philharmonic Society (1984-1985)

Experience on Housing Affairs

- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Housing, Legislative Council/Provisional Legislative Council (1991-1998)
- Member, Hong Kong Housing Authority (1990-1998)
- Director, Hong Kong People's Council on Public Housing Policy (1982-1989)

Experience on Educational Affairs

- Tutor, The City University of Hong Kong Continuous and Professional Education (1998-2003)
- General Education Co-ordinator, The University of Hong Kong (2/1999-8/2000)

Columnist

- Hong Kong Daily News (1993-1994)
- Singpao (1994-1995)
- The Sun (1998-2000)
- Oriental Daily News (1999-2003)

HON AUDREY EU YUET-MEE, SC, JP

Date of Birth: 11 September 1953

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- St. Francis Canossian College (1960-1970)
- St. Paul's Co-Educational College (1970-1972)
- LL.B. (Hons.), The University of Hong Kong (1972-1975)
- LL.M., University of London (1975-1976)
- College of Law (Bar Finals) (1976-1977)
- Called to the Bar in England (1977)
- Called to the Bar in Hong Kong (1978)
- Called to the Inner Bar in Hong Kong (1993)
- Senior Counsel (1997)

Occupation:

Barrister

Public Service:

- Secretary for Financial Services and The Treasury - Process Review Panel for the Securities and Futures Commission (1.11.2004-31.10.2006)
- Member, ICAC - Operations Review Committee (1.1.2003-31.12.2006)
- Member, ICAC - Witness Protection Review Board Panel (1.1.2003-31.12.2006)
- Member, Estate Agents Authority, Housing, Planning and Lands Bureau (1.11.2002-31.10.2006)
- Honorary Adviser, Hong Kong Association of Registered Tour Co-ordinators Ltd. (2002-2003)
- Honorary Legal Adviser, Hong Kong Doctors Union (2002-2003)

- Legal Adviser, The Hong Kong 1095th Eastern Optimistic Scout Group (5.3.2001)
- Chairman, Appeal Tribunal Panel (Buildings), Planning and Lands Bureau (1.12.2000-30.11.2006)
- Chairman, Appeal Board Panel (Consumer Goods Safety), Commerce and Industry Bureau (20.10.1999-19.10.2003)
- Deputy Chairman, Inland Revenue Board of Review, Finance Bureau (3.1.1995-31.12.2003)
- Member of Justice, Hong Kong Section of the International Commission of Jurists (1999)
- Member, Provisional Council on Reproductive Technology (1995-2000)
- Patron, St. John's Cathedral HIV Education Centre (1999)
- Member, Board of Advisers for the British Chevening Scholarships in Hong Kong (1999)
- Member, Management Committee of Consumer Legal Action Fund, Consumer Council (6.12.1994-5.12.2000)
- Chairman, Hong Kong Bar Association (16.1.1997-20.1.1999)
- Chairman, Sub-Committee on Civil Liability for Unsafe Products, Law Reform Commission (1995-1998)
- Member, Sub-Committee on Description of Flats on Sale, Law Reform Commission (1992-1998)
- Member, Hong Kong Housing Authority (1.4.1994-31.3.1996)
- Member, Consumer Council (1.1.1989-31.12.1995)
- Member, Board of Education (1.7.1991-30.6.1995)

HON VINCENT FANG KANG, JP

Date of Birth: 7 May 1943

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- M.Sc of Textiles Engineering, North Carolina State University (1969)
- B.Sc of Textiles Engineering, North Carolina State University (1967)
- Wah Yan College (1962)

Occupation:

- Chief Executive Officer, Toppo Co. (Hong Kong) Ltd.
- Managing Director, Fantastic Garments Ltd.

Public Service:

Present Service

- Chairman, Hospital Governing Committee, Princess Margaret Hospital (2001-present)
- Chairman, Hospital Governing Committee, Kwai Chung Hospital (2003-present)
- Member, Hong Kong Tourism Board (2003-present)
- Honorary Advisor, Hong Kong Retail Management Association (2004-present)
- Director, The Federation of Hong Kong Garment Manufacturers (2002-present)
- Committee Member, Operations Review Committee, Independent Commission Against Corruption (2005-present)
- Council Member, The Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts (2005-present)
- Member, Hong Kong Airport Authority (6/2005-present)
- Member, Fight Crime Committee (4/2006-present)

HON WONG KWOK-HING, MH

Date of Birth: 29 March 1949

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Diploma of Social Administration, HKU School of Professional and Continuing Education
- B.A., Sociology of Jinan University
- Outstanding Lifelong Learner Award, HKU School of Professional and Continuing Education (9/2001)

Occupation:

- Labour Service Executive Officer
- Writer
- Executive Officer, The Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions New Territories Office

Public Service:

- Vice Chairman, HKFTU Social Policy Committee
- Vice Chairman, Eastern District Council
- Elected Member, Eastern District Board/District Council (1991-present)
- Elected Member, Urban Council (1995-1999)
- Member, Liquor Licensing Board (2000-2005)
- Vice Chairman, Public Health Committee of the Urban Council (1995-1999)

HON LEE WING-TAT

Date of Birth: 25 December 1955

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- St. Paul's College
- Bachelor of Science, The University of Hong Kong

Occupation:

Full-time Councillor

Public Service:

- Chairman, Democratic Party
- Member, Housing Authority (1992-2000)

HON LI KWOK-YING, MH, JP

Date of Birth: 18 November 1949

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Tai Po Wong Shiu Chi Secondary School
- Liverpool John Moore University, England

Occupation:

Solicitor

Public Service:

Present Service

- Elected Member, Tai Po District Council (1/2000-present)
- Member, Hong Kong Housing Authority (4/2005-present)
- Member, Fight Crime Committee (4/2006-3/2008)
- Honorable Advisor, N.T. Heung Yee Kuk
- Member, Estate Agents Authority (11/2004-10/2006)
- Member, Tai Po District Fight Crime Committee (4/1999-present)
- Member, Tai Po Clean Hong Kong District Committee (4/2004-present)
- Member, Appeal Tribunal Panel (Buildings), Housing, Planning and Lands Bureau
- Member, Home Purchase Allowance Appeals Committee (7/2003-present)
- Member, Lam Tsuen Village Office, Tai Po (6/1995-present)
- Vice-Chairman, Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong Tai Po Office (9/1997-present)

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- Member, Central Committee of Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong (12/2002-present)
 - Member, Local Customer Advisory Committee of CLP Power Hong Kong Limited (2/2001-present)
 - Director, Tai Po Lam Tsuen Wong Fook Luen Memorial School (7/2001-present)
 - Director, Lam Tsuen Public School (7/2001-present)
 - Director, Tai Po Betterment of Livelihood Association (8/2001-present)
 - Member, Association of Tai Po People (6/2002-present)
 - Vice-Chairman, The Scout Association of Hong Kong (Tai Po South District) (6/2002-present)
 - Director, Po Nga Court Residents Association (6/2002-present)
 - Member, Guangdong Overseas Friendship Association (11/2003-present)
 - Panel Member, Obscene Articles Tribunal
 - Committee Member, The Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups, Tai Po Lions Youth Centre (11/2001-10/2004)
 - Chairman, ICAC Tai Po District Community Integrity Programme 2002
 - Member, Hospital Authority Regional Advisory Committee (4/2004-3/2006)
 - Member, Hospital Governing Committee of Tai Po Hospital (4/2004-3/2006)
 - Member, Investor Education Advisory Committee, Securities and Futures Commission (4/2005-3/2006)

Past Service

- Member, West One Area Committee, Sha Tin District Board (4/1996-3/1998)
- Member, Structural Engineers Registration Committee (2/2001-1/2003)
- Member, Tai Po District Fire Safety Committee (4/2000-3/2004)
- Co-opted Councillor, New Territories Heung Yee Kuk (8/2000-8/2004)
- Chairman, Tai Po District Fire Safety Committee (4/2004-3/2005)

DR HON JOSEPH LEE KOK-LONG, JP

Date of Birth: 14 August 1959

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Ph.D. (Social Science)
- Registered Nurse

Occupation:

Associate Professor, The Open University of Hong Kong

Public Service:

- Board Member, Hospital Authority
- Member, Housing Authority
- Member, Nursing Council of Hong Kong
- Member, Hospital Governing Committee of Kwai Chung Hospital/Princess Margaret Hospital
- Education Committee Member, The Nursing Council of Hong Kong
- Honorary Research Fellow, Asia-Pacific Institute of Ageing Studies at Lingnan University of Hong Kong
- Chairman, Association of Hong Kong Nursing Staff

HON DANIEL LAM WAI-KEUNG, SBS, JP

Date of Birth: 27 February 1949

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Bachelor of Business Administration

Occupation:

Company Director

Public Service:

- Member of CPPCC Shenzhen Municipal Committee
- Vice Chairman, Independent Police Complaints Council
- Vice Chairman, Heung Yee Kuk, New Territories
- Chairman, Islands District Council
- Chairman, Peng Chau Rural Committee
- Member of the Selection Committee of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China

HON JEFFREY LAM KIN-FUNG, SBS, JP

Date of Birth: 23 October 1951

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- St. Joseph's College, Hong Kong
- Tufts University, USA (BSME)

Occupation:

- Managing Director, Forward Winsome Industries Limited
- Managing Director, Eltee Enterprise Limited

Public Service:

- General Committee Member, Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce
- Council Member, Hong Kong Trade Development Council
- President, Hong Kong Plastics Manufacturers Association
- General Committee Member, Federation of Hong Kong Industries
- Vice Chairman, The Hong Kong Shippers' Council
- Honorary President, The Toys Manufacturers' Association of Hong Kong Ltd.
- Honorary Chairman, The Hong Kong Exporters' Association
- Honorary Director, The Chinese Manufacturers' Association of Hong Kong
- Chairman, Hong Kong Trade Development Council Toys Advisory Committee
- Member, Hong Kong/Japan Business Co-operation Committee
- Member, Court of The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

- Chairman, Hong Kong Export Credit Insurance Corporation Advisory Board
- Chairman, Innovation and Technology Fund (General Support Programme) Vetting Committee
- Member, Skills Upgrading Steering Committee
- Convenor, Working Group, Import and Export Industry Skills Upgrading Scheme, Education and Manpower Bureau
- Member, P-Logistics Project Group, Hong Kong Logistics Development Council
- Board Member, Hong Kong Plastics Technology Centre
- Director, The Hong Kong Safety Institute Ltd.
- Director, The Hong Kong Standards & Testing Centre
- Honorary Director, Federation of Hong Kong Guangdong Community Organisations Limited
- Secretary General, Cheng Si-yuan (China-International) Hepatitis Research Foundation
- Chief President, Nanhai City Clansmen General Association (Hong Kong)
- Committee Member, Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (Guangxi Zhuangzu Autonomous District)
- Committee Member, Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (Foshan City)
- Director, China Overseas Friendship Association
- Honorary President, Guangdong Province Toys Association
- Honorary President, The Association of Enterprises with Foreign Investment of Foshan City
- Assessor, Innovation and Technology Support Programme

HON MA LIK, GBS, JP

Date of Birth: 23 February 1952

Education and Professional Qualifications:

B.A. (Hons), The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Occupation:

Deputy Publisher, Hong Kong Commercial Daily

Public Service:

Mainland

- Hong Kong Deputy to the Tenth National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China (2004-present)
- Hong Kong Deputy to the Ninth National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China (1998-2003)
- Hong Kong Affairs Adviser (1993-1997)
- Fujian Committee Member, Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference (1992-1998)

Hong Kong

- Member, Committee on Governance and Political Development, Commission on Strategic Development (11/2005-present)
- Chairman, Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong (5/2005-present)
- Chairman, Democratic Alliance for Betterment of Hong Kong (12/2003-5/2005)
- Member of the Board, Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation (2001-2005)
- Member, Basic Law Promotion Steering Committee (1998-2003)

- Executive Committee Member, Hong Kong Cheshire Home Foundation (1997-2005)
- Secretary General, Democratic Alliance for Betterment of Hong Kong (1997-2003)
- Member, Committee on Promotion of Civic Education (1996-2002)
- Member, Selection Committee for the First Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1996-1997)
- Member, Research Panel, Joint Committee for the Promotion of the Basic Law of Hong Kong (1996-present)
- Chairman, Disciplinary Committee, Democratic Alliance for Betterment of Hong Kong (1995-2003)
- Member, Central Committee & Standing Committee of Democratic Alliance for Betterment of Hong Kong (1994-present)

HON ANDREW LEUNG KWAN-YUEN, SBS, JP

Date of Birth: 24 February 1951

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Leeds University, B.Sc. (Hon)
- Textiles Institute Fellow
- Clothing and Footwear Institute Fellow

Occupation:

Merchant

Public Service:

- Honorary President, Federation of Hong Kong Industries
- Chairman, Hong Kong Productivity Council
- Chairman, Vocational Training Council
- Honorary Chairman, Textile Council of Hong Kong
- Chairman, Board of Governors of the Prince Philip Dental Hospital
- Member, Greater Pearl River Delta Business Council
- Member, Committee on Economic Development and Economic Cooperation with the Mainland, Commission on Strategic Development
- Member, Textiles Advisory Board
- Council Member, Hong Kong Trade Development Council
- Member, the Council of Vocational Training Council
- Member, Clothing Industry Training Authority
- Honorary President, Hong Kong Woollen and Synthetic Knitting Manufacturers' Association
- Member, Steering Committee on Innovation and Technology
- Chairman, Garment Advisory Committee of Hong Kong Trade Development Council
- Member, Competition Policy Review Committee

HON ALAN LEONG KAH-KIT, SC

Date of Birth: 22 February 1958

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- LL.B., The University of Hong Kong (1982)
- LL.M., University of Cambridge (1984)
- Called to the Hong Kong Bar (1983)
- Called to the Inner Bar (1998)

Occupation:

Senior Counsel

Public Service:

Present Service

- Vice-Chairman, Independent Police Complaints Council (1/2005-present)
- Honorary Lecturer, Department of Professional Legal Education, The University of Hong Kong (9/2000-present)
- Chairman, Water Pollution Control Appeal Board (1/2001-present)
- Non-Executive Director, Urban Renewal Authority (5/2005-present)

Past Service

- Chairman, Hong Kong Bar Association (1/2001-1/2003)
- Chairman, Special Committee on Mainland Practice and Relations - Hong Kong Bar Association (2000-2004)
- Part-time Member, Central Policy Unit (2000-2002)
- Bar's Representative on the Department of Justice's Working Group on Review of Legal Education (1999-2002)

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- Member, Central Policy Unit Panel on Social Cohesion (8/2002-7/2003)
 - Chairman, Task Force on Accreditation re Internship - Advisory Committee on Teacher Education and Qualification (2003)
 - Member, Independent Police Complaints Council (2000-2004)
 - Member, Committee of Bilingual Legal System in Hong Kong (1997-2004)
 - Director, Applied Research Council (2/2000-2/2006)
 - Member, Professional Services Advisory Committee, Hong Kong Trade Development Council (2002 - 3/2006)
 - Member, Criminal and Law Enforcement Injuries Compensation Boards (6/2000-6/2006)

HON LEUNG KWOK-HUNG

Date of Birth: 27 March 1956

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Form Six

Occupation:

Legislative Councillor

Public Service: /



DR HON KWOK KA-KI

Date of Birth: 20 July 1961

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- M.B., B.S., The University of Hong Kong (1985)
- Fellow, Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh (1990)
- Fellow, College of Surgeons of Hong Kong (1990)
- Fellow, Hong Kong Academy of Medicine (1993)
- Master of Arts, The University of Hong Kong (2003)

Occupation:

Private Urologist

Public Service:

- Member, Human Resources Committee (HRC), Hospital Authority
- Member, Medicinal Services Development Committee (MSDC), Hospital Authority
- Convenor, Alliance on Anti-Smoking
- Honorary Advisor, Hong Kong Workers' Health Centre
- Convenor, Action Group on Medical Policy
- Member, Medical Council of Hong Kong
- Member, Labour Department Committee on Proposed Compensation Scheme for Workers Suffering from Occupational Noise-induced Hearing Loss
- Elected Member, Central and Western District Council
- Chairman, Working Group on Medical and Health, Central and Western District Council
- Convenor, Action Group on SARS
- Convenor, Action Group on Protection of the Harbour, Central and West
- Member, Steering Committee on Medical Priority Dispatch System, Security Bureau
- Chairman, Government Doctors' Association (1991-1992)
- Council Member, Hong Kong Medical Association (1993-1996)

DR HON FERNANDO CHEUNG CHIU-HUNG

Date of Birth: 23 February 1957

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Ph.D.
- Registered Social Worker

Occupation:

Lecturer

Public Service: /

HON CHEUNG HOK-MING, SBS, JP

Date of Birth: 3 July 1952

Education and Professional Qualifications:

College

Occupation:

Full-time Councillor

Public Service:

- Member, National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference
- President, New Territories Association of Societies
- Vice-Chairman, New Territories Heung Yee Kuk
- Vice-Chairman, Senate of Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong
- Chairman, Tai Po Rural Committee

HON WONG TING-KWONG, BBS

Date of Birth: 12 September 1949

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Heung To Middle School

Occupation:

Merchant

Public Service:

- Member, Small and Medium Enterprises Committee
- Member, The Hong Kong Export Credit Insurance Corporation Advisory Board
- Non-executive Director, Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Authority
- Member, Po Leung Kuk Advisory Board
- Member, Working Group, Import and Export Industry Skills Upgrading Scheme, Education and Manpower Bureau, the Government of Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
- Member, Central and Standing Committees, Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong
- President, The Hong Kong Chinese Importers' and Exporters' Association
- Committee Member, The Chinese General Chamber of Commerce
- Director, The Hong Kong and Kowloon General Merchandise Merchants' Association
- Life Honorary President, Hong Kong Leather Shoe and Shoe Material Merchants Association
- Consultant, Hong Kong United Youth Association
- Honorary President, The Tung Koon District General Association
- Vice President, Chi Kin Winter Swimming Club Ltd.

HON RONNY TONG KA-WAH, SC

Date of Birth: 28 August 1950

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Queen's College, Hong Kong
- LL.B. (1st Class Honours/1st of Class), The University of Hong Kong (1972)
- B.C.L. (Honours), Oxford University (1974)
- Holder of Simon Lee Medal in Laws, The University of Hong Kong (1972)
- Graduate Awardee, Rotary International (1973-1974)
- Winter-Williams Scholar of St. Edmund Hall, Oxford University (1972-1974)
- Certificate of Honour, London Bar Final Examination (First Class Honours/1st of Candidates) (1974)
- The Lloyd Stott Memorial Prize (1974)
- J.B. Montagu Pupillage Prize (1974)
- The Middle Temple Certificate of Honour Prize (1974)
- Member of Hong Kong Bar Association
- Member of The General Council of the Bar of England
- Member of the New York State Bar Association of the United States of America

Occupation:

Senior Counsel

Public Service:

- Representative of Hong Kong Bar Association on the Hong Kong Supreme Court Rules Committee (1978-1979)
- Representative of Hong Kong Bar Association on the Hong Kong District Court Rules Committee (1979-12/1990)
- Member of Working Party on District Court Rules and Costs (1980)

- Member of Committee of Inquiry of Hong Kong Bar in the investigation of alleged misconduct of a Barrister (1986)
- Member of Committee of Inquiry of Hong Kong Bar in the investigation of alleged misconduct of a Barrister (1987)
- Member of Working Party on District Court Rules (1988)
- Member of Standing Committee on Legal Aid (2/1988-2/1992)
- Member of Criminal and Law Enforcement Injuries Compensation Boards (1/1989-6/1995)
- Member of Committee of Inquiry of Hong Kong Bar in the investigation of alleged misconduct of a Barrister (1989)
- Member of the Board of Review, Inland Revenue (6/1991-1/1995)
- External Examiner for the Commercial Law and Practice paper of the Post-graduate Certificate in Laws courses of The University of Hong Kong and the City Polytechnic of Hong Kong (1991-1994)
- Member of Special Committee on Legal Education (1994-present)
- Course Consultant to Commercial Law and Practice of PCLL Course of The University of Hong Kong (1994-present)
- Member of Securities and Futures Appeals Panel (10/1994-10/1996)
- Deputy Chairman of the Board of Review, Inland Revenue (1/1995-1/2004)
- Deputy Chairman of Securities and Futures Appeals Panel (10/1996-10/1999)

- Deputy Chairman of Takeovers Appeal Committee, (6/1994-1999)
- Adjudicator of the Registration of Persons Tribunal (5/1996-present)
- Honorary Lecturer of the Department of Professional Legal Education, The University of Hong Kong (1998-8/2002)
- Member of the Municipal Services Appeals Board (8/1996-8/2002)
- Member of the Urban Services Appeals Board and Regional Services Appeals Board (8/1996-8/2002)
- Chairman of Special Committee on Right of Audience of Solicitors (1997)
- Member of Bar Council (1998-1999)
- Chairman, Hong Kong Bar Association (1999-2001)
- Member of the Editorial Advisory Board for the Hong Kong Court Forms (8/1999-present)
- Member of the School Advisory Committee, School of Law of The City University of Hong Kong (1/2001-1/2003)
- Member of the Steering Committee and Drafting Committee of the Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation Limited on the Standardization Project (3/2001)
- Member and Tribunal Convenor of the Barristers Disciplinary Tribunal Panel (10/2001-10/2004)
- Chairman of Special Committee on Civil Justice Reform (2001-2002)
- Member, Economic and Employee Council (11/2004-present)

HON CHIM PUI-CHUNG

Date of Birth: 1946

Education and Professional Qualifications:

Secondary School

Occupation:

Director of a number of companies

Public Service:

- Member, Legislative Council (1991-1998)
- Life Honorary President, Hong Kong Swatow Merchants Association Ltd.

HON PATRICK LAU SAU-SHING, SBS, JP

Date of Birth: 1 June 1944

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- PRC Class I Registered Architect Qualification (2004)
- Fellow of the Hong Kong Institute of Architects (1989)
- Member of the Hong Kong Institute of Architects (1974-1989)
- Member of Royal Architectural Institute of Canada (1971)
- Lecturer, Senior Lecturer and Professor of Department of Architecture, The University of Hong Kong (1973-2004)
- Head of Department of Architecture, The University of Hong Kong (1996-2000)
- Master of Business Administration, University of East Asia (1988)
- Bachelor of Architecture, University of Manitoba (1969)
- The Artist of the Year Award (1999)
- HKIA Outstanding Architect Award (1991)
- Ten Outstanding Young Persons Award (1984)

Occupation:

Architect

Public Service:

- Member, Commission on Strategic Development
- Member, Housing Authority
- Member, Antiquities Advisory Board
- Board Member, Ocean Park Corporation
- Council Member, The Open University of Hong Kong
- Member, Security and Guarding Services Industry Authority

- External Academic Advisor for Associate of Science in Architectural Studies of Building Science and Technology Division of The City University of Hong Kong
- Chairman, HKTDC Infrastructure Development Advisory Committee
- Honorary Advisor, Hong Kong Institute of Utility Surveyors
- Patron, Hong Kong Interior Designers Association
- Council Member, St. Paul's College
- Member, Vice Chairman, Town Planning Board (1998-2006)
- Member, Construction Industry Training Authority (2003-2005)
- Director, Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation (2001-2005)
- Vice Chairman, Architects Registration Board (2003-2004)
- Chairman, Professional Green Building Council (PGBC) (2002-2004)
- Part-time Member, Central Policy Unit (2001-2004)
- Member, ICAC Operations Review Committee (2000-2004)
- President, Hong Kong Institute of Architects (2001-2002)
- Council Member, Hong Kong Institute of Education (1996-2000)
- Chairman, Outstanding Young Persons' Association (1996-1997)

HON ALBERT JINGHAN CHENG

Date of Birth: 3 July 1946

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Aircraft Maintenance Engineer
- Attended aircraft type approval endorsement courses:
CONVAIR 880
DC8 - 40/50/60
DC10 - 30
BOEING 737 - 200
BOEING 727 - 100/200
BOEING 747 - 200

Occupation:

Legislative Councillor

Public Service:

- Vice-Chairman, Panel on Information Technology and Broadcasting, Legislative Council
- Member, Finance Committee, Legislative Council
- Member, House Committee, Legislative Council
- Member, Public Accounts Committee, Legislative Council
- Member, Committee on Members' Interests, Legislative Council
- Member, Panel on Constitutional Affairs, Legislative Council
- Member, Panel on Financial Affairs, Legislative Council
- Member, Panel on Health Services, Legislative Council
- Member, Panel on Housing, Legislative Council
- Member, Panel on Welfare Services, Legislative Council
- Member, Subcommittee to Study the Subject of Combating Poverty, Legislative Council

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- Honorary Development Director, The English Schools Foundation (2005)
- Chairperson of the Validation Panel (Higher Diploma in Press Relations and Campaign Management), Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education (Chai Wan) (2005)
- Founder/Trustee, Senior Citizen Home Safety Association (1996-present)
- Trustee/Council Member, Foundation of Businesses in Support of the Arts (1990-present)
- Allocations Committee Chairman, Foundation of Businesses in Support of the Arts (1991-present)
- Member, Public Relations Committee, Community Chest of Hong Kong (1990-1992)
- Member, Corporate & Employee Contribution Programme Organising Committee, Community Chest of Hong Kong (1991-1998)
- Honorary Vice-President, Economics and Finance Society of The University of Hong Kong (1990-present)
- Honorary Advisor, The Society of Business Administration of The Chinese University of Hong Kong (1991-present)
- Member, Securities & Futures Commission Public Shareholders Group (2003-2004)
- Board Member, Hong Kong Audit Bureau of Circulation (HKABC) (1989-1993)
- Board Member, The Society of Hong Kong Publishers (1990)
- Treasurer, The Society of Hong Kong Publishers (1988)

- Chairman, The Society of Hong Kong Publishers (1989)
- Founding President, Chinese Canadian Association of Hong Kong (1988)
- Convenor, Hong Kong Expo' 97 Initiative Committee (1988)
- Chairman, Hong Kong Film Awards (1984)

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Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Bachelor of Social Sciences, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Bachelor of Laws, University of London
- Master of Laws, University of London
- Called to the Bar in England
- Called to the Bar in Hong Kong
- Called to the Bar in Australia

Occupation:

Legal Adviser, The Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions

Public Service:

- Member, The Law Reform Commission of Hong Kong (1999-2002)
- Part-time Member, the Central Policy Unit (1999-2003)
- Honorary Legal Adviser, Hong Kong Construction Industry Employees General Union (2004-present)
- Honorary Legal Adviser, Hong Kong Customs and Excise Staff General Association (2000-present)
- Honorary Legal Adviser, Hong Kong Securities and Futures Industry Staff Union (2003-present)
- Member, Council of The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Legal Adviser, Staff Association of The Open University of Hong Kong
- Chairman, Action on Smoking or Health (ASH)
- Honorary Legal Adviser, Alliance of Five Unions in Two Rails
- Honorary Legal Adviser, KCR Operating Staff Association

HON TAM HEUNG-MAN

Date of Birth: 8 June 1957

Education and Professional Qualifications:

- Fellow of The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants
- The Chartered Institute of Taxation (Chartered Tax Adviser)
- Fellow of Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- B.A. (Hons) Middlesex University, UK

Occupation:

Tax Advisor

Public Service:

- Member, Bills Committee on Building Management (Amendment) Bill 2005
- Member, Bills Committee on Securities and Futures (Amendment) Bill 2005
- Deputy Chairman, Panel on Home Affairs
- Deputy Chairman, Public Accounts Committee
- Member, Panel on Economic Services
- Member, Panel on Financial Affairs
- Member, Panel on Constitutional Affairs
- Member, Finance Committee
- Member, Public Works Subcommittee
- Member, House Committee
- Member, Subcommittee on Members' Remuneration and Operating Expenses Reimbursement
- Member, Subcommittee to Consider a Mechanism for Handling Complaints and Allegations Concerning Members' Operating Expenses Reimbursement Claims

- District Councillor of Wong Tai Sin
- Member, Equal Opportunities Commission
- Chairman, Galaxia Owners Committee
- Member, Stewards Limited
- Secretary, The Chartered Tax Advisor - Hong Kong Branch
- Advisor, The Society of Accountancy, Student Union of The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUSA)
- Honorable Advisor, Hong Kong Accounting Professionals Association

Bills Passed

		Bills	Gazette Date	1st Reading Date	Passage through LegCo Date
@+	1.	Construction Industry Council (No. 2) Bill	8.10.2004	13.10.2004	24.5.2006
@+	2.	Securities and Futures (Amendment) Bill 2005	11.3.2005	6.4.2005	14.6.2006
@+	3.	Protection of Endangered Species of Animals and Plants Bill	15.4.2005	27.4.2005	1.3.2006
@+	4.	Public Health and Municipal Services (Amendment) Bill 2005	22.4.2005	4.5.2005	3.5.2006
@+	5.	Revenue (Personalized Vehicle Registration Marks) Bill 2005	29.4.2005	4.5.2005	14.12.2005
@+	6.	Revenue (Abolition of Estate Duty) Bill 2005	6.5.2005	11.5.2005	2.11.2005
@+	7.	Merchant Shipping (Local Vessels and Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2005	6.5.2005	18.5.2005	30.11.2005
@+	8.	Waste Disposal (Amendment) Bill 2005	6.5.2005	18.5.2005	29.3.2006
@+	9.	Civil Aviation (Amendment) Bill 2005	20.5.2005	1.6.2005	11.1.2006
@+	10.	Marriage (Introduction of Civil Celebrants of Marriages and General Amendments) Bill	20.5.2005	1.6.2005	16.11.2005
@+	11.	Certification for Employee Benefits (Chinese Medicine) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2005	3.6.2005	15.6.2005	28.6.2006
	12.	Carriage by Air (Amendment) Bill 2005	10.6.2005	22.6.2005	9.11.2005
@+	13.	Financial Reporting Council Bill	17.6.2005	29.6.2005	13.7.2006
@+	14.	Revenue (Profits Tax Exemption for Offshore Funds) Bill 2005	30.6.2005	6.7.2005	1.3.2006
@+	15.	Dentists Registration (Amendment) Bill 2005	30.6.2005	6.7.2005	17.5.2006
@	16.	St. Stephen's College Incorporation (Change of Name of the Council of St. Stephen's College and General Amendments) Bill 2005	18.11.2005	30.11.2005	3.5.2006

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	17.	Employment (Increase in Penalty for Offences under Section 63C) Bill 2005	2.12.2005	14.12.2005	11.1.2006
	18.	Appropriation Bill 2006	22.2.2006	22.2.2006	29.3.2006
@	19.	Births, Deaths and Marriages (Digital Image) Bill	24.2.2006	8.3.2006	3.5.2006
@+	20.	Chief Executive Election and Legislative Council Election (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2006	3.3.2006	8.3.2006	10.5.2006
@+	21.	Interception of Communications and Surveillance Bill	3.3.2006	8.3.2006	6.8.2006
@	22.	Freight Containers (Safety) (Amendment) Bill 2006	13.4.2006	26.4.2006	14.6.2006
	23.	Revenue Bill 2006	13.4.2006	26.4.2006	24.5.2006
@+	24.	Betting Duty (Amendment) Bill 2006	13.4.2006	26.4.2006	12.7.2006
	25.	Supplementary Appropriation (2005-2006) Bill	9.6.2006	14.6.2006	13.7.2006

+ Indicates that a Bills Committee was formed for the Bill

@ Bill passed with CSA moved by Administration

Motion Debates Held

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<p>I. MOTIONS PASSED</p> <p><i>19 October 2005</i> “Facing up to the needs of people with disabilities in using transport” moved by <i>Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung</i></p>	<p>The motion: “That this Council expresses deep regret that the government departments concerned, some statutory transport corporations, and public transport operators have failed to face up to the motions passed by this Council in the 2002-03 and 2003-04 sessions calling for improvement to transport facilities for people with disabilities and the offer of concessionary fares to them, and this Council requests the Administration to expeditiously adopt effective measures to fulfil the following demands:</p> <p>(a) following up the motions passed by this Council and a relevant motion passed by the Panel on Transport on 22 July this year, and implementing the arrangements for offering public transport half-fare concessions to people with disabilities;</p> <p>(b) pressing various public transport operators to improve their facilities so as to reduce the barriers to people with disabilities; and</p> <p>(c) allocating additional resources to expeditiously improve the Rehabus service.” was passed.</p>
<p><i>19 October 2005</i> “Assisting Hong Kong residents encountering problems in the Mainland” moved by <i>Hon James TO Kun-sun</i></p> <p>amendment moved by <i>Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung</i></p>	<p>The motion as amended by Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung: “That, as contacts between Hong Kong and the Mainland are increasing, and the number of Hong Kong people working, travelling and doing business in the Mainland has been on the rise, with increasing occasions on which they need help when encountering problems such as those relating to medical cases, law and order, commercial activities or other disputes in the Mainland, but very often cannot get proper assistance when their personal safety and property are at stake, this Council urges the Government to adopt the following measures on the premise of ‘one country, two systems’ and respect for Mainland laws:</p>



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<p>I. MOTIONS PASSED</p>	
<p>2 November 2005 “Perfecting the food safety regulatory mechanism” moved by <i>Hon WONG Yung-kan</i></p> <p>amendment moved by <i>Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan</i></p>	<p>(a) exploiting more effectively the functions of the Office of the Government of HKSAR in Beijing, the Economic and Trade Office of the Government of the HKSAR in Guangdong and other offices to be established in the Mainland, and enhancing their intermediary roles, so as to more efficiently and appropriately assist Hong Kong people who need help in the Mainland;</p> <p>(b) developing closer communication and coordinating mechanisms with provincial/municipal governments such as that of Guangdong, and other Mainland authorities progressively, with a view to enabling Hong Kong residents to receive proper assistance and support as soon as possible when they encounter such difficulties as special incidents, accidents or commercial/business disputes in the Mainland; and</p> <p>(c) enhancing the efforts of government departments in disseminating information to the media in order to promote Hong Kong people’s understanding of the government policies, legislation and social condition in the Mainland, so as to reduce misunderstanding and enable Hong Kong people to adopt suitable measures to protect their personal rights and interests.” was passed.</p> <p>The original motion: “That, as a number of food safety incidents which occurred recently in Hong Kong have exposed the Government’s shortcomings in the regulation of food safety, its slow reaction to emergencies and the inadequacies in the notification system between Hong Kong and the Mainland, and have also seriously affected the public’s confidence in the Government’s capability to perform the gate-keeping role, this Council urges the Government to:</p> <p>(a) expeditiously implement the plan to re-organize the food safety regulatory framework after consulting this Council and the public at large, to ensure that the posts of frontline staff are not affected by the re-organization plan, and to enhance training for staff so that they can grasp the ever-changing food safety knowledge and meet the related new technological requirements;</p>



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I. MOTIONS PASSED	<p>(b) strengthen and re-organize the existing consultative framework on food safety by including representatives from the agriculture and fisheries industries, catering industry, veterinary profession and consumer organizations, so that they can more comprehensively advise the Government on food safety matters;</p> <p>(c) step up Hong Kong's monitoring of foods at source at their places of origin;</p> <p>(d) conduct a comprehensive review of the existing standards and legislation on safe production of foods, including strictly regulating the use of drugs and chemicals and their residue contents in foods as well as the microbe counts in foods, etc, so as to ensure food safety;</p> <p>(e) perfect the food safety notification systems between Hong Kong and the Mainland as well as other places supplying food to Hong Kong, and to strengthen co-operation with the Mainland in combating food smuggling;</p> <p>(f) devote more resources to enhance the Government's capability in food testing and hygiene inspection;</p> <p>(g) study the establishment of a food tracking system and the implementation of food recall arrangements, so as to raise the Government's capability in handling food safety incidents;</p> <p>(h) study the establishment of a food safety certification mechanism whereby identification labels are awarded to safe, quality food products so as to help consumers make their choices; and</p> <p>(i) expedite the pace in promoting a quality production and management scheme for local agricultural and fishery products, and to establish a branding system for local products,</p> <p>in order to fully enhance Hong Kong's capability in regulating food safety and safeguard public safety in food consumption." was passed.</p>



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<p>I. MOTIONS PASSED</p> <p><i>2 November 2005</i> “Comprehensively developing the border area” moved by <i>Hon WONG Ting-kwong</i></p> <p>amendment moved by <i>Hon SIN Chung-kai</i></p>	<p>The motion as amended by Hon SIN Chung-kai: “That, as the Chief Executive has announced in his Policy Address the decision to significantly reduce the size of the closed area and to redraw the limits of the new closed area so as to release land for redevelopment, this Council urges the Government to expedite the completion of the realignment of the closed area and formulation of the planning proposals, and to devise an overall strategy on this basis to comprehensively develop the border area between Hong Kong and Shenzhen, so as to create new growth areas for Hong Kong’s economy, promote cooperation between Hong Kong and Shenzhen, facilitate the development of Hong Kong’s trade in services, industries and tourism, and create new employment opportunities; but given the presence of many sites of ecological and conservation value, such as wetlands and streams within the closed area, the Government must, in considering the development of these sites, ensure that the development plan is in line with the principles of sustainable development and nature conservation, and should conduct a comprehensive ecological assessment of the plan and then formulate suitable conservation measures and conduct planning in a prudent manner; the Government should also allow stakeholders, including green groups, to participate in the planning process with a view to ensuring that the policy of sustainable development can materialize.” was passed.</p>
<p><i>16 November 2005</i> “Reducing and remitting the duty on ultra low sulphur diesel” moved by <i>Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye</i></p> <p>amendment moved by <i>Hon SIN Chug-kai</i></p>	<p>The original motion: “That, as the persistently high oil prices and high diesel prices have significantly increased the costs of doing business, and have hit various trades and industries, especially the public transport trade and the whole transport industry, weakened the competitiveness of Hong Kong’s logistics industry and seriously affected people’s livelihood, this Council urges the Government to adopt effective measures to assist the transport industry in opening up new sources of income and cutting expenditure, and to actively consider reducing and remitting the duty on ultra low sulphur diesel for one year until the end of 2006, by which time the situation should be reviewed, so as to alleviate the hardship of the transport industry, relieve public transport operators’ pressure to increase fare, and strengthen the position of Hong Kong’s logistics industry.” was passed.</p>



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<p data-bbox="108 705 287 734"><i>23 November 2005</i></p> <p data-bbox="108 739 762 806">“Enhancing economic and trade cooperation between Hong Kong and the Pan-Pearl River Delta region”</p> <p data-bbox="108 810 359 878">moved by <i>Hon CHAN Kam-lam</i></p> <p data-bbox="108 913 406 981">amendment moved by <i>Hon Albert HO Chun-yan</i></p>	<p data-bbox="833 705 1519 981">The motion as amended by Hon Albert HO Chun-yan: “That, as the cooperation among the Hong Kong SAR, nine Mainland provinces/region and the Macao SAR in the Pan-Pearl River Delta (‘PPRD’) region is expanding, this Council urges the Hong Kong SAR Government to firmly grasp this opportunity and adopt the following measures to vigorously enhance the economic and trade cooperation with the various provinces/region in the PPRD region:</p> <ul data-bbox="833 1014 1519 2049" style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="833 1014 1519 1220">(a) discussing regional planning with the provinces/region in the PPRD region, so as to avoid scrambling for building infrastructures that already exist and are sufficient to meet the demands in the region, such as container terminals and airports, and thereby wasting resources or even creating vicious competition in the region;<li data-bbox="833 1254 1519 1496">(b) further implementing and developing the PPRD Regional Cooperation Framework Agreement, including perfecting the road and railway networks linking Hong Kong and the Mainland as well as extending Hong Kong’s aviation network to the Mainland, so as to improve the efficiency of passenger and cargo flows between the two places and promoting mutual economic and trade cooperation;<li data-bbox="833 1529 1519 1848">(c) studying the implementation of the Mainland and Hong Kong Closer Economic Partnership Arrangement (‘CEPA’) in the region, and progressively establishing communication and coordinating mechanisms with the Mainland authorities so that Hong Kong residents who do business, work and live in the Mainland because of the implementation of CEPA can reflect to the relevant Mainland authorities through the Hong Kong SAR Government the difficulties they encounter in the Mainland, thereby perfecting CEPA; and<li data-bbox="833 1881 1519 2049">(d) simplifying the procedures for Mainland enterprises to invest in Hong Kong, so as to attract them to come to Hong Kong and promote cooperation between enterprises in the two places, thereby complementing each other’s advantages and enhancing the competitiveness of the PPRD region,



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I. MOTIONS PASSED	
<p><i>23 November 2005</i> “Policy on inheritance of ‘dai pai dong’ culture” moved by Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan</p> <p>amendment moved by Hon CHAN Yuen-han</p> <p>(amendment proposed by Hon Fred LI Wah-ming was withdrawn)</p>	<p>so as to upgrade and transform Hong Kong’s service-based economy after integrating with the Mainland’s manufacturing industry and create more job opportunities locally; at the same time, this Council also urges the Hong Kong SAR Government to relax the visa requirement for travellers under the Individual Visit Scheme, so as to facilitate Mainland residents to come to Hong Kong for leisure travel and business, thereby promoting the development of the two places and creating a win-win situation that brings about mutual benefits.” was passed.</p> <p>The motion as amended by Hon CHAN Yuen-han: “That this Council urges the Government to look squarely at the concept of cultural inheritance and affirm the cultural and historical value of street side ‘dai pai dong’, review the licensing policy for ‘dai pai dong’ in order that they can complement the people’s needs in their daily life and promote the tourism development plans and, at the same time, assist the operators of ‘dai pai dong’ in continuing to operate in compliance with the environmental hygiene and safety requirements, and study the setting up of designated zones for on-street cooked food stalls, so that this traditional culinary culture can thrive.” was passed.</p>
<p><i>30 November 2005</i> “Preventing avian influenza” moved by Hon Fred LI Wah-ming</p> <p>amendments moved by Hon WONG Yung-kan Hon Vincent FANG Kang</p> <p>amendment to amendment moved by Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo</p>	<p>The motion as amended by Hon Vincent FANG Kang and Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo: “That, as cases of avian influenza have successively occurred in many countries, in order to guard against the recurrence of an avian influenza outbreak in Hong Kong and prevent human infections of avian influenza, this Council urges the Government to consider establishing, as early as possible, a steering group led by the Chief Executive to combat the pandemic, to set aside sufficient funds, on condition that a proper monitoring mechanism has been put in place, to defray the expenditure in this regard, ensure that the government officials responsible for coordinating the work of combating the pandemic can flexibly deploy the resources and procure health care equipment according to the exigencies of the work, to enhance the preventive efforts by strengthening influenza vaccination and public education on influenza prevention, etc, to expeditiously introduce a trial scheme on regional slaughtering after putting in place proper</p>



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<p data-bbox="108 629 453 663">I. MOTIONS PASSED</p> <p data-bbox="108 1050 272 1077"><i>7 December 2005</i></p> <p data-bbox="108 1084 657 1149">“Endeavouring to improve air quality” moved by <i>Hon James TIEN Pei-chun</i></p> <p data-bbox="108 1189 373 1285">amendments moved by <i>Hon CHOY So-yuk</i> <i>Hon SIN Chung-kai</i></p> <p data-bbox="108 1326 536 1391">amendment to amendment moved by <i>Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung</i></p>	<p data-bbox="834 703 1517 1010">arrangements for compensating the live poultry trade and assisting affected trade operators to switch their business or jobs, prohibit individuals from rearing poultry and strictly implement the policy of a fifty-fifty supply of imported and local live poultry, with a view to further improving the sanitary conditions in farms as well as live poultry and birds wholesale and retail outlets; the Government should also step up efforts in monitoring the movements of migratory birds in the territory.” was passed.</p> <p data-bbox="834 1050 1517 1630">The motion as amended by Hon CHOY So-yuk and Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung: “That, further to the passage of my motion on ‘Vigorously reducing air pollution’, as amended by other Members, by this Council last year, I put forward a proposal on ‘Collaborating in tackling cross-border air pollution’ jointly with 92 members of the National Committee of the Chinese People’s Political Consultative Conference at its meeting in March this year; the proposal received positive response from the State Environmental Protection Administration of China which has indicated that it will continue to take the lead and coordinate the work in this regard in order to enhance cooperation between Hong Kong and Guangdong on the environmental protection front; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to adopt the following complementary measures more positively with a view to curbing the trend of continuing deterioration of air quality in Hong Kong and the Pearl River Delta (‘PRD’) region:</p> <p data-bbox="834 1671 1485 1704">On the cooperation between Hong Kong and Guangdong:</p> <p data-bbox="834 1744 1517 1841">(a) endeavouring to achieve as early as possible the emission reduction targets for 2010 regarding the four types of pollutants;</p> <p data-bbox="834 1881 1517 2078">(b) expediting the formal commissioning of the PRD regional air quality monitoring network and other effective measures, and enhancing the transparency in the dissemination of the monitoring information, so as to expeditiously unify the emission standards and regulatory regimes between Hong Kong and Guangdong;</p>



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I. MOTIONS PASSED	<p>(c) expeditiously implementing the emissions trading pilot scheme;</p> <p>(d) stepping up negotiations with the Mainland authorities to provide business operators who have installed air pollution control systems in their plants in the PRD region with tax relief on depreciation of the relevant systems;</p> <p>(e) maintaining close cooperation with the State Environmental Protection Administration of China and the Guangdong Environmental Protection Bureau to promote the prevention and control of regional air pollution;</p> <p>On the local front:</p> <p>(f) introducing legislation to require motorists to switch off the engines of their vehicles while waiting, and according priority to regulating emissions from idling engines of private cars and government vehicles as well as idling engines of vehicles in school and hospital premises;</p> <p>(g) on condition that there is no additional burden of electricity charges on the public or the industrial and commercial sectors, urging the two power companies to expedite various emission reduction projects and use more environmentally friendly fuels;</p> <p>(h) prolonging the incentive scheme for liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) light buses and promoting the switch of light goods vehicles to LPG;</p> <p>(i) expediting the provision of additional sites for setting up LPG filling stations;</p>



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I. MOTIONS PASSED	<p>(j) actively engaging in research and development regarding the utilization of renewable energy, formulating a policy on renewable energy, setting utilization targets for renewable energy, requesting the two power companies to follow such policy and targets, stipulating in the Scheme of Control Agreements with the power companies the proportion of renewable energy to be used in electricity generation, and providing economic incentives to encourage the power companies to use more renewable energy; at the same time, formulating measures to promote the incorporation of renewable energy equipment into the power supply network;</p> <p>(k) vigorously introducing environmentally friendly vehicles which run on a combination of petrol and electricity, hydrogen or natural gas, etc, including heavy and medium goods vehicles as well as buses; offering tax concessions and introducing environmentally friendly fuels, and formulating related incentive measures;</p> <p>(l) actively studying the feasibility of increasing the fines for smoky vehicles;</p> <p>(m) formulating a comprehensive and effective policy on energy conservation, with the Government taking the lead in implementing energy conservation measures in various departments and setting higher energy conservation targets, with a view to promoting community-wide involvement in energy conservation;</p> <p>(n) expeditiously implementing the regulatory scheme for products containing volatile organic compounds on which the Government and the trades have reached a consensus;</p> <p>(o) stepping up the testing of emissions from vehicles to ensure their compliance with Hong Kong's emission standards; and</p>



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<p>I. MOTIONS PASSED</p> <p><i>14 December 2005</i> “Franchised bus fares” moved by <i>Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo</i></p> <p>amendments moved by <i>Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee</i> <i>Hon WONG Kwok-hing</i></p> <p>amendment to amendment moved by <i>Hon LEE Wing-tat</i></p>	<p>(p) expediting the implementation of the ‘Indoor Air Quality Management Programme’ and joining hands with the industrial and commercial sectors in actively promoting the programme, thereby preventing poor indoor air quality from harming the public’s health,</p> <p>so that the emission reduction targets originally set for 2010 can be achieved as early as possible.” was passed.</p> <p>The motion as amended by Hon Miriam LAU Kin-yee and Hon LEE Wing-tat: “That this Council supports the expeditious implementation of the fare adjustment mechanism that allows fares to go upward and downward in January 2006, which will apply to franchised bus companies, and urges the Government to discuss with various franchised bus companies:</p> <p>(a) cancelling the proposed arrangements for advance payment of the return journey fares, and providing a reasonable form of fare reduction, including offering, in the return journey, a reduction of not less than 10% of the fares for both the forward and return journeys taken, so as to benefit more passengers;</p> <p>(b) offering more comprehensive bus-bus interchange concessions;</p> <p>(c) ways to expeditiously introduce one-day and one-week travel pass as well as monthly ticket schemes for buses, so as to allow choices for local passengers and tourists;</p> <p>(d) the introduction of a monthly Free-ride Day for the elderly to encourage them to go out more often with a view to promoting their integration into the community; and</p>



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<p data-bbox="108 629 454 667">I. MOTIONS PASSED</p> <p data-bbox="108 1189 284 1216"><i>14 December 2005</i></p> <p data-bbox="108 1220 512 1285">“Conservation of energy” moved by <i>Hon CHOY So-yuk</i></p> <p data-bbox="108 1326 363 1391">amendment moved by <i>Hon SIN Chung-kai</i></p> <p data-bbox="108 1429 694 1494">(amendment proposed by <i>Hon Vincent FANG Kang</i> was withdrawn)</p>	<p data-bbox="834 703 1519 768">(e) the introduction of travel concessions for people with disabilities;</p> <p data-bbox="834 808 1519 1149">and to expeditiously reach a consensus with them on the relevant fare arrangements in order that such arrangements can be implemented in January next year and that the public can enjoy fare reductions and concessions as early as possible; at the same time, this Council also urges the Government to discuss with various franchised bus companies and encourage them, on condition that the burden on long-haul passengers will not be increased, to expeditiously introduce sectional fares for buses after identifying reasonable and feasible implementation methods.” was passed.</p> <p data-bbox="834 1189 1519 1357">The motion as amended by Hon SIN Chung-kai: “That, in order to more effectively promote energy conservation and enhance energy efficiency so as to achieve the objectives of protecting the environment and conserving the resources on the earth, this Council urges the Government to:</p> <p data-bbox="834 1397 1519 1462">(a) formulate a comprehensive and effective energy conservation policy;</p> <p data-bbox="834 1503 1519 1635">(b) establish a computer database on the energy consumption of products so that the public can have access to information about the energy efficiency of the products before deciding to buy such products;</p> <p data-bbox="834 1675 1519 1807">(c) establish an energy conservation committee which is independent of the Government to coordinate the Government’s and the two power companies’ resources and initiatives for promoting energy conservation;</p> <p data-bbox="834 1848 1519 2013">(d) take the lead in drawing up internal energy conservation programmes within various departments, to appoint an energy manager to oversee the implementation of energy conservation initiatives, and to provide annual reports reviewing the effectiveness of the initiatives;</p>

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(e) make it mandatory for proposed government buildings to pass the energy efficiency assessment prior to construction in order to ensure that the designs, materials and facilities of such buildings meet the energy conservation requirements;

(f) actively promote the implementation of green roof projects on buildings, especially government buildings such as hospitals and schools, etc, throughout the territory;

(g) expeditiously implement the mandatory energy efficiency labelling scheme;

(h) promote the provision of economic incentives by the two power companies with a view to encouraging their customers to use energy-saving electrical appliances;

(i) promote the introduction of an effective mechanism, including the provision of economic incentives, by commercial properties with a view to encouraging commercial tenants to reduce electricity consumption; and

(j) actively enhance, through publicity and education, the public's knowledge and awareness of energy conservation." was passed.

The motion as amended by Dr Hon YEUNG Sum: "That, given the successive completion of the Ocean Park's Redevelopment Plans from 2008 onwards and that works on the new tourism projects will be launched in Southern District, which are expected to further aggravate the already very heavy traffic in the district, to alleviate traffic congestion, complement tourism development and give impetus to the local economy, this Council urges the Government to expedite the construction of the MTR South Island Line for commissioning in or before 2012, but should study in parallel how vicious competition of the new line with other public transport such as minibuses or buses can be avoided, thereby protecting the public's right to choose and their interests." was passed.

11 January 2006

"Expediting the construction of the MTR South Island Line"
moved by

Hon Howard YOUNG

amendment moved by

Dr Hon YEUNG Sum



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<p><i>18 January 2006</i> “Reducing the workload of and mental stress on teachers” moved by <i>Hon MA Lik</i></p> <p>amendment moved by <i>Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong</i></p> <p>amendment to amendment moved by <i>Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing</i></p>	<p>The motion as amended by Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong and Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing: “That, as the pressure of work on and the non-teaching duties taken up by teachers have been increasing, which not only impair the effectiveness of teaching but also jeopardize the physical and mental health of teachers, this Council urges the Administration to face up to the problems of work pressure and suicide among teachers and to formulate effective measures to reduce the workload of and mental stress on teachers, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) reviewing the pace of education and curriculum reforms as well as the priorities of education policies, and abolishing the unreasonable education policies; strengthening communication with front-line teachers, and fully evaluating the impact of various education reform initiatives on the work of teachers and making appropriate adjustments;(b) eliminating unnecessary non-teaching duties at schools and counting the administrative work that has to be retained as part of a teacher’s workload, so as to enable schools to have sufficient manpower to make appropriate arrangements in adjusting and allocating the non-teaching duties at schools;(c) enhancing the teacher-student ratios in schools by reducing the class sizes and increasing the establishment of teaching staff, so as to improve the teaching environment, maximize the effectiveness of learning and teaching, and upgrade the quality of teaching;(d) providing substitute teachers for those teachers who pursue in-service studies, and implementing a genuine ‘paid study leave’ scheme to alleviate the stress on teachers arising from their studies;(e) expanding the coverage of specialized teaching, reducing the teaching sessions for teachers, increasing school social workers and resource teachers for supportive educational programmes, employing additional supporting staff to handle

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<p><i>18 January 2006</i> “Assisting in the transformation of enterprises which ceased operation due to the Government’s new policies” moved by Hon Vincent FANG Kang</p> <p>amendment moved by Hon WONG Kwok-hing</p>	<p>non-teaching and administrative duties, etc, and including in the establishment those contract teachers who are currently outside the establishment; and</p> <p>(f) caring about the psychological and mental health of teachers by enhancing the pre-service and in-service psychological health training for teachers and setting up a teacher health centre.” was passed.</p> <p>The original motion: “That, as the Government, when introducing new policies in recent years, has often failed to assess the impacts of the new policies on the economic environment and the affected enterprises, and the assistance given to the trades or enterprises concerned is mostly restricted to ex-gratia payments, instead of actively helping them to transform, and as many affected trades have difficulties in transforming their business on their own due to their relatively low technology and capital intensity levels, the new policies have strangled the survival of many enterprises and rendered many people unemployed, this Council urges the Government to:</p> <p>(a) conduct risk assessment on the impacts of new policies before introducing them, and to strike a proper balance after clearly and fully assessing the impacts of the new policies on public interests and the trades;</p> <p>(b) fully consult the trades before making any important policy decisions; and</p> <p>(c) set up an inter-departmental working committee to provide various kinds of suitable assistance to the operators and employees of the affected enterprises, so as to help them transform.” was passed.</p>
<p><i>8 February 2006</i> “Reports of the Subcommittee on West Kowloon Cultural District Development” moved by Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit</p>	<p>The motion: “That this Council endorses the Phase I and Phase II Reports of the Subcommittee on West Kowloon Cultural District Development.” was passed.</p>



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<p><i>8 February 2006</i> “Improving the notification mechanism for contamination of potable water supply to Hong Kong and enhancing coordination in the supply of potable water to Hong Kong” moved by <i>Hon Albert Jinghan CHENG</i></p> <p>amendments moved by <i>Hon WONG Ting-kwong</i> <i>Hon Fred LI Wah-ming</i></p>	<p>The motion as amended by Hon WONG Ting-kwong and Hon Fred LI Wah-ming: “That this Council urges the HKSAR Government, in discussing the finalization of the specific details of a new water supply agreement, to improve jointly with the Guangdong Provincial Government the existing notification mechanism for contamination of potable water supply to Hong Kong, including imposing a time limit for notification; to formulate a contingency mechanism jointly operated by Guangdong and Hong Kong for dealing with unexpected incidents of water supply; to discuss ways to enhance coordination in the supply of potable water to Hong Kong and allow flexibility in determining the supply quantity, so as to avoid drawing unneeded water when there was overflow from local reservoirs and hence resulting in wastage; and to discuss the further upgrading of the quality standard of potable water supply to Hong Kong; the Guangdong Provincial Government and the HKSAR Government should be allowed to review the water supply quantity according to needs on a monthly basis; in addition, the HKSAR Government should also examine expanding the existing reservoirs or further perfecting the interconnection of reservoirs, so as to increase the water storage capacity of local reservoirs.” was passed.</p>
<p><i>8 February 2006</i> “Policy on public service broadcasting” moved by <i>Hon Audrey EU Yuet-mee</i></p> <p>amendments moved by <i>Hon SIN Chung-kai</i> <i>Hon LI Kwok-ying</i></p>	<p>The motion as amended by Hon SIN Chung-kai: “That this Council urges the Government to ensure that, in developing public service broadcasting in Hong Kong, it shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) respect and adhere to editorial independence;(b) defend the freedom of the press and freedom of speech;(c) open up public access channels at an early date, so as to allow public participation;(d) provide diversified information;(e) cater for the needs of the minority and the socially disadvantaged groups; and



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<p><i>15 February 2006</i> “Implementing the recommendations in the Report on Working Poverty by the Subcommittee to Study the Subject of Combating Poverty” moved by Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee</p>	<p>(f) allocate adequate resources to expedite the development of digital broadcasting, so as to allow the development of public service broadcasting to sustain in an era of digital convergence.” was passed.</p> <p>The motion: “That this Council endorses the Report on Working Poverty by the Subcommittee to Study the Subject of Combating Poverty, and urges the Government to implement the recommendations therein.” was passed.</p>
<p><i>15 February 2006</i> “Opening up the electricity market” moved by Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip</p> <p>amendments moved by Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen Hon TAM Heung-man Hon KWONG Chi-kin</p>	<p>The motion as amended by Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen and Hon KWONG Chi-kin: “That this Council urges the Government to earnestly improve the current phenomenon of natural monopoly in the electricity market in Hong Kong, so as to avoid prejudicing consumers’ interests, and demands that the Government implement the following measures to ensure that Hong Kong’s electricity market is free from monopoly, so that the people of Hong Kong can enjoy reasonably-charged, safe and stable electricity supply services:</p> <p>(a) re-setting electricity tariffs at a reasonable level by lowering the permitted return allowed to the power companies in respect of their electricity-related operations for each year from the current 13.5% of their average net fixed assets to 7% or below;</p> <p>(b) strengthening the regulation of power plants to ensure that their operations and the pollutants emitted comply with the relevant environmental protection standards, and formulating practicable measures as well as providing proper incentives to ensure that the power companies actively develop renewable energy;</p> <p>(c) setting a timetable for opening up the electricity market in Hong Kong and aiming for its implementation in the coming 10 years, so as to introduce competition and break the current natural monopoly of Hong Kong’s electricity market by the two companies;</p>



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<p data-bbox="108 629 454 667">I. MOTIONS PASSED</p> <p data-bbox="108 1189 276 1218"><i>15 February 2006</i></p> <p data-bbox="108 1223 528 1285">“Reducing the salaries tax” moved by <i>Hon SIN Chung-kai</i></p> <p data-bbox="108 1328 563 1460">amendments moved by <i>Hon James TIEN Pei-chun</i> <i>Hon CHAN Kam-lam</i> <i>Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung</i></p> <p data-bbox="108 1503 536 1565">amendment to amendment moved by <i>Hon James TO Kun-sun</i></p> <p data-bbox="108 1608 735 1671">(amendments proposed by <i>Hon WONG Kwok-hing</i> and <i>Hon TAM Heung-man</i> were withdrawn)</p>	<p data-bbox="834 703 1522 835">(d) requesting the CLP Power Hong Kong Limited to offer rebates to its customers in proportion to their electricity consumption by the year 2008 using funds from its Development Fund;</p> <p data-bbox="834 878 1522 940">(e) actively studying the full implementation of power interconnection; and</p> <p data-bbox="834 983 1522 1151">(f) requesting that the two power companies shall ensure the stability of their workforce, and recruit their technical staff at all levels in a planned manner and provide them with continuing training, so as to secure a reliable and stable supply of electricity.” was passed.</p> <p data-bbox="834 1193 1522 1805">The motion as amended by Hon James TIEN Pei-chun, Hon CHAN Kam-lam and Hon James TO Kun-sun: “That, as the Treasury of the Government has benefited from the continuous recovery of Hong Kong’s economy, which has improved the Government’s financial position and will likely advance the elimination of the fiscal deficit, this Council urges the Government to make appropriate use of its resources to provide the grass-roots people with adequate services, and to reduce the rates of salaries tax by reverting them to at least the 2002-03 level; to revert the personal allowances and the marginal tax bands to the 2002-03 level; to raise the child allowance and the allowances for dependent parent/grandparent; to further increase the entitlement period and the amount of home loan interest deduction; and to study allowing voluntary contributions to the Mandatory Provident Fund to be tax deductible up to a ceiling, so as to alleviate the tax burden on the middle class and the grass-roots people, thereby stimulating consumer spending and creating jobs.” was passed.</p>



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<p>I. MOTIONS PASSED</p> <p><i>1 March 2006</i> “Development planning for Lantau” moved by Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming</p> <p>amendments moved by Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki Hon LEE Wing-tat</p>	<p>The original motion: “That, given the slow progress of work since the Government drew up the Concept Plan for Lantau in 2004, this Council urges the Government to expedite the planning study on Lantau and, provided that nature conservation and preservation of historical and cultural heritage are taken into consideration, to expeditiously put the following development directions into effect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) developing in the area theme tour routes which have historical and cultural value and ecological characteristics and which complement existing recreational facilities, so as to develop Lantau into a quality tourism area; (b) in line with the construction of the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge and other infrastructural facilities, creating favourable conditions for developing new economic activities in the area; and (c) completing, as soon as possible, the feasibility study on the construction of a logistics park on Lantau.” was passed.
<p><i>8 March 2006</i> “Promoting health care reform and health care financing” moved by Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki</p> <p>amendments moved by Hon LI Kwok-ying Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo</p> <p>(amendment proposed by Hon CHAN Yuen-han was withdrawn)</p>	<p>The motion as amended by Hon LI Kwok-ying and Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo: “That, as the Health, Welfare and Food Bureau will publish a consultation paper on health care financing this year, and the community is widely concerned about the direction of the reform of the Chinese and Western health care systems in Hong Kong and the changes in the financing models for public and private medical care services, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously examine the long-term difficulties faced by the Chinese and Western health care systems in Hong Kong, and to put forward feasible options and measures to improve the current situation; such measures should include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) reviewing the existing framework for the provision of public and private medical care services; enhancing the transparency of the operation and decision-making process of the Hospital Authority; and regulating the operation of medical groups, with a view to facilitating the communication and cooperation between public and private medical organizations;



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<p>I. MOTIONS PASSED</p> <p><i>8 March 2006</i> “Domestic violence” moved by <i>Hon Margaret NG</i></p> <p>amendments moved by <i>Hon CHOY So-yuk</i> <i>Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit</i> <i>Hon Albert HO Chun-yan</i></p> <p>amendment to amendment moved by <i>Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung</i></p>	<p>(f) enhancing the regulation of the operation of private medical care services, including medical groups and private medical practitioners, etc.; and establishing an independent statutory body for handling complaints about public and private medical care services, so as to ensure that patients are provided with good medical care services and enhance their confidence in using private medical care services.” was passed.</p> <p>The motion as amended by Hon CHOY So-yuk, Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit, Hon Albert HO Chun-yan and Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung: “That, in view of the increasing number of domestic violence cases in recent years, which reflects the severity of the problem, this Council urges the Government to implement in the whole territory the recommendations in the Report of the Review Panel on Family Services in Tin Shui Wai and the recommendations made by the Coroner’s Court in respect of the family tragedy that occurred in Tin Shui Wai in April 2004, to expeditiously formulate effective measures to curb such violence, and to allocate additional resources to improve services and actively promote the development of the ‘third sector’, so as to optimize the social capital, promote community development services, encourage self-help and mutual support among the public, strengthen the community support network, enhance the capabilities of individuals and families in resolving their difficulties in life, for the purpose of cultivating the community spirit of mutual support, care and love among residents; the measures to be formulated by the Government to curb domestic violence should include:</p> <p>(a) establishing a central inter-departmental coordinating committee chaired by the Chief Secretary for Administration, with membership including representatives from community and self-help organizations which understand domestic violence;</p> <p>(b) extending the Domestic Violence Ordinance to cover more people, and enhance the protection for those under protection;</p>



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<p>I. MOTIONS PASSED</p> <p><i>8 March 2006</i> “Expeditiously improving the traffic arrangements in the western and northwestern parts of the New Territories” moved by <i>Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-ye</i></p> <p>amendments moved by <i>Hon WONG Kwok-hing</i> <i>Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming</i></p> <p>amendments to amendments moved by <i>Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo</i> <i>Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip</i> <i>Hon LEE Wing-tat</i></p> <p>(amendment proposed by <i>Hon Albert HO Chun-yan</i> was withdrawn)</p>	<p>(l) making it mandatory for abusers to receive counselling and treatment;</p> <p>(m) studying making it mandatory for the relevant professionals to report domestic violence cases that they handle; and</p> <p>(n) offering compassionate housing assistance to victims of domestic.” was passed.</p> <p>The motion as amended by Hon WONG Kwok-hing and Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming: “That, given the impending commissioning of the Hong Kong-Shenzhen Western Corridor at the end of this year, which will substantially increase the traffic load in the western and northwestern parts of the New Territories, this Council urges the Government to formulate as early as possible corresponding strategies, including:</p> <p>(a) buying out the ownership of Route 3 at a reasonable price and opening it up for use by motorists;</p> <p>(b) constructing the Easterly Link Road that connects the Deep Bay Link and Route 3, so as to divert the traffic flow from Tuen Mun Road;</p> <p>(c) expeditiously completing the extension of Tuen Mun Road;</p> <p>(d) implementing the Northern Link project as early as possible and expeditiously completing the Kowloon Southern Link project to perfect the railway network and encourage residents of the Northwest New Territories to make use of the railways for travelling to and from different districts, so as to alleviate the pressure on Tuen Mun Road and Route 3; and</p> <p>(e) setting reasonable fares that are acceptable to the public, so as to encourage them to use the railway transport system,</p>



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	<p>thereby alleviating the deteriorating traffic congestion in that district and avoiding causing great nuisance or inconvenience to local residents; furthermore, the Government may also lower the existing tolls by such means as extending the franchise period of Route 3; and should expeditiously construct the Tuen Mun Western Bypass, the Tuen Mun to Chek Lap Kok Link, as well as the Tuen Mun Eastern Bypass, while the environmental impact of the alignment of the relevant roads must be adequately assessed, with a view to reducing undesirable effects on the local environment; and expedite the various traffic improvements to the Tuen Mun town centre section of Tuen Mun Road.” was passed.</p>
<p><i>26 April 2006</i> “Donation of organs” moved by <i>Hon Bernard CHAN</i></p>	<p>The motion: “That, as the situation of organ donation in Hong Kong is still not satisfactory despite many years of publicity, and the number of organs donated is not sufficient to meet the demands of those waiting for organ transplants, this Council urges the Government to immediately conduct a comprehensive review on the current policy on organ donation, with a view to formulating a package of effective measures for needy patients to receive as soon as possible suitable organs to extend their lives; such measures should include: deploying more resources to improve the methods currently adopted by the Government, the Hospital Authority and the Hong Kong Medical Association for collecting people’s wish to become organ donors and for registering their information, so as to enable the public to sign up as donors more easily; enhancing the information processing system, e.g. establishing a back-end computer system to more effectively process the information of all organ donors in Hong Kong, so as to facilitate easy access to such information by authorized persons; as well as stepping up publicity efforts on organ donation and encouraging the public to actively sign up as organ donors.” was passed.</p>
<p><i>10 May 2006</i> “Strengthening the development of post-secondary education and upgrading the quality of sub-degree courses” moved by <i>Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong</i></p>	<p>The motion: “That, although the Government has announced that it has exceeded the policy objective of providing tertiary education for 60% of senior secondary school leavers, a series of problems have arisen as a result of the substantial increase in the number of self-financing sub-degree places over the past</p>



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<p>I. MOTIONS PASSED</p>	<p>five years, this Council considers that the Government should, apart from meeting the quantitative objective, also strengthen the development of post-secondary education and upgrade the quality of post-secondary courses; in this connection, this Council urges the Government to allocate more resources and adopt measures to address such problems as the varied quality of sub-degree courses, inequality under various student financial assistance schemes, and difficulties encountered by students in pursuing further studies and securing employment; such measures should include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) setting up a quality assurance mechanism to ensure the quality of sub-degree courses and recognition of the qualifications conferred; (b) facing up to the situation of over-supply of sub-degree places, and preventing vicious competition among institutions; (c) combining the Local Student Finance Scheme and the Financial Assistance Scheme for Post-secondary Students, so that all full-time students are treated equally and provided with the same level of assistance according to their financial needs; (d) providing appropriate facilities and student development services to post-secondary students, having regard to their education needs within and outside schools; as well as providing institutions with an option to extend their loan repayment period, so as to relieve their financial pressure and enable them to utilize most of the tuition received for teaching purpose; and (e) gradually increasing the number of degree places in keeping with the needs arising from social development and the academic structure reform, so as to allow outstanding graduates of sub-degree courses to pursue subsidized degree courses, thereby eliminating the bottleneck in pursuing further studies.” was passed.



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<p><i>17 May 2006</i> “Supporting the conclusions and recommendations of the Public Accounts Committee on the development of a site at Sai Wan Ho” moved by <i>Dr Hon Philip WONG Yu-hong</i></p>	<p>The motion: “That, as recently the community is widely concerned that the conclusions made by the Government-appointed Independent Committee of Inquiry on the Sai Wan Ho Development on Inland Lot No. 8955 in its report published on 9 May this year are not in total accord with those made by the Public Accounts Committee (‘PAC’) in its report laid on the table of the Legislative Council on 15 February this year regarding the development of a site at Sai Wan Ho, this Council reaffirms its support for the conclusions and recommendations of PAC and urges the Government to fully implement the recommendations of PAC.” was passed.</p>
<p><i>17 May 2006</i> “Financial assistance to patients of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome and their families” moved by <i>Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung</i></p>	<p>The motion: “That, in view of the ex-gratia nature and the anticipated shortfall of the Trust Fund for Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (‘the Trust Fund’), this Council urges the Government to implement the following measures to assist the patients of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (‘SARS’) and/or their families:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) relaxing the Trust Fund’s \$500,000 ceiling on special ex-gratia financial assistance for each eligible recovered or ‘suspected’ SARS patient;(b) extending the scope of the Trust Fund to cover also families of the deceased ‘suspected’ SARS patients;(c) granting special ex-gratia relief payments to families with deceased elderly SARS patients irrespective of whether the affected families had been relying on the deceased for financial support; and(d) injecting additional funds into the Trust Fund.” was passed.



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<p>I. MOTIONS PASSED</p> <p><i>24 May 2006</i> “Legislating to regulate medical devices” moved by <i>Hon LI Kwok-ying</i></p> <p>amendments moved by <i>Hon Vincent FANG Kang</i> <i>Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki</i> <i>Hon Fred LI Wah-ming</i></p>	<p>The motion as amended by Hon Vincent FANG Kang, Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki and Hon Fred LI Wah-ming: “That, as the Consumer Council’s recent reports on the adverse body reactions of some people caused by the injection of Hydrophilic Polyacrylamide Gel (PAAG) for breast augmentation in the Mainland and Hong Kong have aroused widespread public concern, and exposed the loopholes in the existing system for regulating medical and beauty devices as well as materials which are used for implantation in human body by injection, this Council urges the Government to:</p> <p>(a) after consulting the various sectors concerned and the public, legislate to restrict or forbid the implantation of PAAG in human body, subject all medical devices and materials for implantation in human body to proper regulation, set out clear definitions of the standards of medical and beauty devices as well as instructions on their use, and expeditiously put forward a comprehensive legislative proposal for the regulation of medical devices;</p> <p>(b) in respect of those beauty devices currently included in the list of listed medical devices, further perfect the listing system by requiring that the beauty devices with the highest risk must be operated by personnel who have been properly trained and certified in the relevant field;</p> <p>(c) review the existing regulatory system and legislation, in order to prevent exaggerated and false promotional claims about services and products, so as to safeguard the health and interests of consumers;</p> <p>(d) provide the public and users with more information about various medical and beauty devices, methods of using them and points to note, so that they can make informed choices;</p> <p>(e) subject all medical devices and materials for implantation in human body to proper regulation by limiting their use to properly trained medical personnel only; and</p>



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<p><i>24 May 2006</i> “Effective utilization of fiscal surplus” moved by <i>Hon KWONG Chi-kin</i></p> <p>amendments moved by <i>Hon James TIEN Pei-chun</i> <i>Hon SIN Chung-kai</i> <i>Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung</i> <i>Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee</i> <i>Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung</i> <i>Hon CHAN Kam-lam</i></p>	<p>(f) expeditiously legislate to regulate advertisements about services and products which claim to be able to slim the body, facilitate detoxification and regulate the immune system.” was passed.</p> <p>The original motion: “That, as the fiscal surplus in 2005-06 amounts to \$14 billion, which exceeds the expected \$4.1 billion by \$9.9 billion, this Council urges the Government to effectively utilize the surplus to alleviate the disparity between the rich and the poor, stimulate the economy and increase employment opportunities.” was passed.</p>
<p><i>7 June 2006</i> “Maintaining Hong Kong’s role as the leader of economic development in the region” moved by <i>Ir Dr Hon Raymond HO Chung-tai</i></p> <p>amendments moved by <i>Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung</i> <i>Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo</i> <i>Hon CHAN Kam-lam</i> <i>Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah</i></p>	<p>The motion as amended by Hon Jeffrey LAM Kin-fung and Hon CHAN Kam-lam: “That, with the rapid development of the Mainland’s economy and in order to ensure that Hong Kong can maintain its role as the leader of economic development in the region, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously study the long-term direction and strategy for Hong Kong’s future economic development, grasp the opportunities and explore how Hong Kong can complement the country’s implementation of the outline of the Eleventh Five-year Plan, which will commence this year, including formulating the relevant policies to increase Hong Kong’s investment in the domestic and cross-boundary infrastructures, enhance the co-operation between the Mainland and Hong Kong in the areas of industry development, resource utilization and environmental protection, etc, and strive to maintain Hong Kong’s position as an international centre for finance, trading, logistics, tourism and information; in addition, this Council also urges the Government to expeditiously consider the development of commodity futures and bond markets in Hong Kong, further promote the participation of Hong Kong’s banks in a wider scope of Renminbi business, strengthen coordination among</p>



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<p>I. MOTIONS PASSED</p> <p><i>14 June 2006</i> “Vigorously promoting the development of social enterprises” moved by <i>Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG LAU Yau-fun</i></p> <p>amendments moved by <i>Hon CHAN Yuen-han</i> <i>Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung</i> <i>Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee</i> <i>Hon Albert HO Chun-yan</i></p>	<p>government departments to cut red tape affecting the business sector and improve the business environment, develop innovative and high value-added new industries so as to create new growth areas for Hong Kong’s economy, and review the current policy on supporting small and medium enterprises and encourage Hong Kong people to start up their business.” was passed.</p> <p>The original motion: “That, as social enterprises can effectively achieve social objectives, including promoting community development and helping the disadvantaged, through corporate strategies and commercial operations, and they attach more importance to social values than to pursuing maximum economic benefits, this Council urges the Government to vigorously promote the development of social enterprises, with the objectives of enhancing social capabilities and establishing positive social values, by actively implementing the following measures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) establishing the value and raising the public awareness of social enterprises through publicity and education programmes in schools and the community; (b) promoting cross-sector collaboration and developing a platform for participation in different aspects and facilitating the establishment of partnership, so that various sectors can expand the scope for collaboration in a complementary and mutually beneficial environment; (c) putting in place support services to meet the actual needs of social enterprises, including the provision of information, basic training and mentorship support, in order to enhance the social capital of the disadvantaged; (d) eliminating administrative and policy barriers which may hinder the development of social enterprises, so as to create an environment conducive to their growth; and (e) enhancing the training for the general public so as to teach them how to develop social enterprises;



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<p><i>14 June 2006</i> “Measures to combat drink driving” moved by <i>Hon LAU Kong-wah</i></p> <p>amendment moved by <i>Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo</i></p>	<p>in addition, as local and overseas experience in developing social enterprises indicates that the successful ones possess such management elements as professionalism and market sensitivity, the Government and various sectors of the community should, in developing social enterprises, break away from the confines of the pure social work sector by encouraging and embracing the participation of willing and capable talents from the business sector.” was passed.</p> <p>The motion as amended by Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo: “That, as many motorists are not alert to the danger of drink driving, serious traffic accidents caused by drink driving have occurred frequently in recent years, posing a serious threat to the safety of other road users, this Council urges the Government to step up publicity and education, review the deterrent effect of existing penalties for the drink driving offence, study amending legislation, including drawing on the practice in other countries of suspending the driving licences of drivers on first conviction of the offence, and making it a mandatory requirement that the offenders must attend a driving improvement course to improve their driving habits, as well as to pass a driving test before driving licences are re-issued to them, and to empower the Police to conduct random stop checks on vehicles and, where there is reasonable doubt, roadside screening breath tests on motorists, so as to strengthen its efforts in combating drink driving and enhance motorists’ alertness to the danger of drink driving, thereby reducing traffic accidents caused by drink driving and safeguarding public safety.” was passed.</p>
<p><i>21 June 2006</i> “Developing Hong Kong into a regional education hub” moved by <i>Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing</i></p>	<p>The motion: “That, as Hong Kong’s education services are diversified, its education programmes and academic qualifications are internationally recognized, and as it has established close ties with the Mainland, coupled with its background as a meeting point of Eastern and Western cultures, there are favourable conditions for Hong Kong to develop into a regional education hub; in addition, since promoting Hong Kong as a regional education hub will attract talents, enhance Hong Kong’s competitiveness and help broaden the horizons of local students, this Council urges the Government to review</p>



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<p>I. MOTIONS PASSED</p>	<p>the relevant policies and formulate measures to facilitate and attract more non-local students to study in Hong Kong, and encourage local education institutions to provide education services outside Hong Kong; the specific measures include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) relaxing immigration control to reduce barriers for non-local students aspiring to receive education at various levels in Hong Kong; (b) on condition that local students' opportunities to pursue further studies in Hong Kong will not be reduced, allowing tertiary institutions to increase the ratio of the admission quotas for non-local students; (c) on condition that the employment of local people will not be affected, allowing non-local students to take up part-time jobs while attending full-time programmes so that they can obtain relevant working experience and their financial burden can be alleviated; (d) providing affordable boarding facilities to non-local students by such means as granting land to schools and institutions at nominal premium for the construction of hostels or allowing the conversion of vacant school premises into hostels; (e) providing more scholarships for non-local students with outstanding academic achievements in specific subjects; (f) assisting local institutions to run schools in the Mainland, especially in the Pearl River Delta region, to promote co-operation between the two places; and (g) establishing a dedicated department to promote Hong Kong's education services to the Mainland and overseas." was passed.



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I. MOTIONS PASSED	
<p><i>21 June 2006</i> “Polarization in the job market” moved by <i>Hon LI Fung-ying</i></p> <p>amendments moved by <i>Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung</i> <i>Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo</i></p>	<p>The original motion: “That, as structural unemployment is serious in our job market and employment polarization has occurred, this Council urges the Government to improve the employment environment for low-skilled employees, create job opportunities and strengthen the training for them, so as to enhance their competitiveness.” was passed.</p>
<p><i>28 June 2006</i> “Policy on care for the elderly” moved by <i>Dr Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long</i></p> <p>amendments moved by <i>Hon LI Kwok-ying</i> <i>Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung</i></p>	<p>The motion as amended by Hon LI Kwok-ying and Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung: “That, in order to enhance the quality of life of Hong Kong’s elderly people, and to make preparations for the ageing of Hong Kong’s population in the future, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously implement a policy on care for the elderly which is geared to ‘healthy ageing’, and take measures to improve the existing health care, medical and long-term care services for the elderly, enhance the monitoring and quality of service of homes for the aged, help the elderly participate actively in community activities, improve their living environment and strengthen the prevention of abuse of the elderly, so as to help them enjoy their old age peacefully and comfortably; specific measures include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) formulating a comprehensive long-term care policy, taking into account the population structure, and establishing a mechanism for planning long-term care services in the future;(b) implementing a ‘community-based’ policy on care for the elderly, injecting more resources to home care services, so as to shorten the waiting time for such services;(c) increasing the places in subvented care-and-attention homes in order to shorten the waiting time and, at the same time, enhancing the monitoring of private homes for the aged;(d) enhancing support services for carers of the elderly, including increasing the places in day-care centres and extending their service hours, so as to alleviate carers’ stress from caring for the frail elderly;



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<p>I. MOTIONS PASSED</p>	<p>(e) making coordinated discharge arrangements for elderly in-patients, and providing information and support to enable them to obtain the necessary rehabilitation and care services;</p> <p>(f) drawing up a long-term policy to address the shortage of nursing staff in the social welfare sector to ensure the professional standard of long-term care services;</p> <p>(g) reviewing the existing medical fee waiver mechanism and expeditiously reducing the waiting time for general and specialist out-patient services to ensure that the elderly are not denied adequate medical services due to lack of means;</p> <p>(h) expanding the membership of elderly health centres to provide medical and health services to more elderly people;</p> <p>(i) enhancing the Chinese medicine services in the public sector for the elderly, and bringing Chinese medicine under the coverage of Comprehensive Social Security Assistance;</p> <p>(j) providing ‘end of life’ support services for those elderly with relatively weaker support network to allay their worry;</p> <p>(k) amending the Domestic Violence Ordinance to expand its application to cover parents, so that the elderly suffering from abuse will be protected under the Ordinance; and</p> <p>(l) providing sufficient financial assistance to the elderly in poverty, and implementing a universal retirement protection scheme so as to safeguard the basic livelihood of the elderly.” was passed.</p>





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<p data-bbox="108 629 454 667">I. MOTIONS PASSED</p> <p data-bbox="108 705 603 943"><i>28 June 2006</i> “Facilitating urban development” moved by <i>Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing</i></p> <p data-bbox="108 846 403 943">amendments moved by <i>Dr Hon YEUNG Sum</i> <i>Hon Albert HO Chun-yan</i></p>	<p data-bbox="834 705 1519 1010">The original motion: “That, while countries and places around the world all consider urban development as the essential element to enhancing competitiveness and are vigorously expediting their pace of urban development, many barriers that hinder urban development still exist in Hong Kong, the competitive edge of which is gradually diminishing; as such, this Council urges the Government to expeditiously review its policies affecting urban development and implement improvement measures, including:</p> <p data-bbox="834 1048 1519 1391">(a) on the premise of sustainable development, commissioning a comprehensive consultancy study on such issues as planning enhancement, optimum land use, adjustment of development intensity, promotion of urban design, environment-friendly construction, infrastructures, community facilities, redevelopment of old areas, urban revitalization, preservation of cultural heritage, urban greening and air quality improvement, etc, as well as expeditiously implementing various works projects to resolve the unemployment problem in the construction industry;</p> <p data-bbox="834 1429 1519 1668">(b) setting up a high-level ad hoc committee to co-ordinate the various efforts in facilitating urban development, including extensively and efficiently soliciting public views, complementing the Eleventh Five-year Plan as well as the Shenzhen 2030 Development Strategy in the Mainland, and expeditiously publishing reports on the different stages of Hong Kong 2030: Planning Vision and Strategy; and</p> <p data-bbox="834 1706 1519 1839">(c) streamlining the approval procedures of the Town Planning Board, Lands Department and Buildings Department to shorten the construction time of works projects and improve the business environment,</p> <p data-bbox="834 1877 1519 2076">with a view to expediting urban development, improving the public’s quality of life, beautifying the environment, promoting tourism, creating job opportunities, attracting investment and boosting economic development, so as to develop Hong Kong into a beautiful and vibrant world city in Asia, thereby enhancing its competitiveness.” was passed.</p>



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<p>I. MOTIONS PASSED</p> <p><i>12 July 2006</i> “Promoting family-friendly policies” moved by <i>Hon TAM Yiu-chung</i></p> <p>amendments moved by <i>Hon TAM Heung-man</i> <i>Hon Albert HO Chun-yan</i></p>	<p>The original motion: “That, as in recent years a number of serious incidents of domestic violence have occurred successively in Hong Kong, and cases of suicide, domestic abuse and divorce have been on the rise, reflecting that the cohesion of families in Hong Kong is weakening and there are many hidden crises which are detrimental to the harmony and stability of the community, this Council urges the Government to promote family-friendly policies, so as to create an environment that is conducive to rebuilding family values and enhancing family cohesion, thereby creating a harmonious society; the specific measures should include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) setting up a Family Commission to advise the Government on the promotion of family-friendly policies and initiatives; (b) introducing a family impact assessment system for assessing the impact of existing social policies, legislation and measures on families, with a view to making relevant improvements; (c) conducting vigorous publicity and promotion campaigns, and strengthening family and parent education as well as promoting family values through community service organizations and schools; (d) offering tax concessions and funding for pre-primary education across the board to relieve the financial burden on families in Hong Kong; (e) creating a family-friendly environment in workplace, including encouraging public and private organizations to provide staff with child care services and implement flexible working hours; and (f) enhancing social welfare services, and providing appropriate and relevant support to families in crisis.” was passed.



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II. MOTIONS NEGATIVED	
<p><i>26, 27 and 28 October 2005</i> “Motion of Thanks” moved by <i>Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye</i></p> <p>amendments moved by <i>Hon LEE Wing-tat</i> <i>Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung</i></p> <p>amendment to amendment moved by <i>Hon TAM Heung-man</i></p>	<p>The original motion: “That this Council thanks the Chief Executive for his address.” and the proposed amendments to the motion were negatived.</p>
<p><i>9 November 2005</i> “Minimum wage, standard working hours” moved by <i>Hon CHAN Yuen-han</i></p> <p>amendment moved by <i>Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo</i></p>	<p>The original motion: “That, as the working conditions of the grass-roots workers are worsening, their wages are low and their working hours are long, the low-income population is still increasing despite Hong Kong’s substantial economic growth last year, and as some low-income families have to even rely on Comprehensive Social Security Assistance payment to eke out a living, this Council suggests that, to enable the grass-roots workers to share the fruits of economic growth which they deserve, the Government should encourage employers to increase the pay and improve the fringe benefits for their employees and, at the same time, urges the Government to expeditiously:</p> <p>(a) legislate for a minimum wage to safeguard the most basic living standard of the workers, with priority accorded to individual low-income industries and jobs, so that employers of private enterprises are required to take on the social responsibility they should shoulder, so as to prevent them from shifting their business operating costs to the Government and thereby increasing the expenditure on social welfare; and</p> <p>(b) regulate the number of working hours, reasonable rest breaks during working hours and overtime allowance, so as to ensure that employees have sufficient time for rest and studies.” and the proposed amendment to the motion were negatived.</p>



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II. MOTIONS NEGATIVED	
<p><i>9 November 2005</i> “Constitutional reform proposal” moved by Hon Ronny TONG Ka-wah</p>	<p>The motion: “That this Council considers that the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (‘HKSAR’) Government is responsible for putting forward a constitutional reform proposal that is acceptable to Hong Kong citizens and which encompasses concrete democratization processes; such proposal should not confer upon the appointed District Council members the rights to select the Chief Executive or elect Members of the Legislative Council; furthermore, the HKSAR Government is also responsible for setting out in its proposal a roadmap and a timetable for achieving universal suffrage as well as the relevant details of the elections.” was negatived.</p>
<p><i>16 November 2005</i> “Fair competition law” moved by Hon LEE Wing-tat</p>	<p>The motion: “That this Council supports the expeditious enactment of a cross-sector law on fair competition and the setting up of a fair competition commission with the powers of investigation and the privilege of confidentiality.” was negatived.</p>
<p><i>30 November 2005</i> “Conducting a referendum on the full implementation of elections by universal suffrage in 2007 and 2008” moved by Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung</p>	<p>The motion: “That this Council requests the Central Government to arrange for all Members of the Legislative Council to visit Beijing so that Members can truly reflect to it the public opinions in Hong Kong on the dual elections by universal suffrage, and urges the Hong Kong SAR Government to conduct a referendum on the selection of the Chief Executive and the election of the Legislative Council by universal suffrage in 2007 and 2008 respectively; furthermore, this Council appeals to all the people of Hong Kong to stand out against the Fifth Report of the Constitutional Development Task Force on 4 December this year, so as to demonstrate once again their determination to fight for elections by universal suffrage.” was negatived.</p>
<p><i>7 December 2005</i> “Democratic political system” moved by Dr Hon YEUNG Sum</p>	<p>The motion: “That, as Hong Kong people have taken to the streets many times to strive for the dual elections by universal suffrage, this Council urges the Hong Kong SAR Government to seriously consider submitting a report to the Standing Committee of the National People’s Congress to reflect to it Hong Kong people’s strong aspirations for universal suffrage, and to propose in the report a timetable and a roadmap for</p>



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<p><i>11 January 2006</i> “Comprehensive review of labour legislation” moved by <i>Hon WONG Kwok-hing</i></p> <p>amendments moved by <i>Hon LEE Cheuk-yan</i> <i>Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung</i> <i>Hon Andrew CHENG Kar-foo</i></p>	<p>universal suffrage that are acceptable to Hong Kong people, so that the Chief Executive and all Members of the Legislative Council can be elected by universal suffrage as soon as possible.” was negatived.</p> <p>The original motion: “That, as the economic pattern and labour relations in Hong Kong have changed, the existing labour legislation cannot keep abreast of the times and fails to improve the protection of workers’ rights and benefits, this Council urges the Administration to expeditiously conduct a comprehensive review of various legislation relating to labour matters.” and the proposed amendments to the motion were negatived.</p>
<p><i>1 March 2006</i> “Implementing the recommendations of the United Nations Human Rights Committee” moved by <i>Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing</i></p> <p>amendment moved by <i>Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan</i></p>	<p>The original motion: “That, noting that the United Nations Human Rights Committee will hold a hearing on 20 March this year to consider the Second Report on the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People’s Republic of China in the light of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights submitted last year, this Council urges the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region to implement the recommendations that have been and will be made by the Committee.” and the proposed amendment to the motion were negatived.</p>
<p><i>26 April 2006</i> “Universal retirement protection” moved by <i>Hon LEE Cheuk-yan</i></p> <p>amendment moved by <i>Hon Howard YOUNG</i></p>	<p>The original motion: “That this Council urges the Government to set up a sustainable universal retirement protection scheme, so that all senior citizens can enjoy financial security to maintain a basic standard of living immediately after retirement.” and the proposed amendment to the motion were negatived.</p>
<p><i>3 May 2006</i> “The 4 June incident” moved by <i>Hon Albert HO Chun-yan</i></p>	<p>The motion: “That this Council urges that: the 4 June incident be not forgotten and the 1989 pro-democracy movement be vindicated.” was negatived.</p>



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<p>II. MOTIONS NEGATIVED</p> <p><i>3 May 2006</i> “Maintaining the competitive edge of Hong Kong” moved by <i>Hon TAM Heung-man</i></p> <p>amendments moved by <i>Hon CHAN Yuen-han</i> <i>Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen</i> <i>Dr Hon YEUNG Sum</i> <i>Hon CHAN Kam-lam</i></p> <p>amendment to amendment moved by <i>Hon SIN Chung-kai</i></p>	<p>The original motion: “That, as a report on the competitiveness of Chinese cities published earlier indicates that although Hong Kong’s overall competitiveness still ranks first within China, its competitive edge is dwindling, this Council urges the Government to face up to this trend and to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) expeditiously enact a cross-sector fair competition law and set up an independent fair competition commission with real powers to enforce the law; (b) formulate a comprehensive manpower policy to attract overseas talents to Hong Kong; and to enhance the quality of education in such areas as tertiary education and language education, so as to train up more local professionals with a view to alleviating the pressure of shortage of talents in Hong Kong; (c) perfect the policy on pollution management with a view to improving the air quality and environment in the territory; (d) expedite the review of Hong Kong’s taxation policy; and (e) endeavour to protect Hong Kong people’s freedoms in various aspects and uphold the rule of law in Hong Kong, <p>so as to further enhance Hong Kong’s competitiveness and maintain its competitive edge.” and the proposed amendments to the motion were negatived.</p>
<p><i>10 May 2006</i> “Perfecting the framework of advisory and statutory bodies” moved by <i>Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung</i></p> <p>amendments moved by <i>Hon Howard YOUNG</i> <i>Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee</i></p> <p>amendment to amendment moved by <i>Hon Albert HO Chun-yan</i></p>	<p>The original motion: “That, whereas the Chief Executive has earlier on candidly admitted in a radio programme that there is a difference in the closeness of his relationship with the political parties of the Legislative Council and he would maintain a particularly good relationship with the parties that support the Government, and there have been queries that the Government practises favouritism towards pro-government people and parties in the appointment of members of advisory and statutory bodies (ASBs), given that ASBs serve as a framework for the Government to extensively solicit public opinions and as an important channel for public participation</p>



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<p>II. MOTIONS NEGATIVED</p> <p><i>17 May 2006</i> “Review on Urban Renewal Strategy” moved by <i>Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit</i></p> <p>amendments moved by <i>Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming</i> <i>Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee</i> <i>Hon CHAN Yuen-han</i> <i>Hon James TO Kun-sun</i></p>	<p>The original motion: “That, as the vision and direction of urban renewal set out in the Urban Renewal Strategy (‘the Strategy’) often deviate greatly from the ideal when they are put in practice, which not only seriously jeopardizes the interests of the affected residents and shop operators who are deeply dissatisfied and frustrated due to their being deprived of their rights to choose and their misery, and even impedes the efficacy of the Hong Kong community as a whole in dealing with the problem of urban ageing; and as the Urban Renewal Authority (‘URA’) gives people the impression of focusing solely on commercial interests when launching redevelopment projects and also fails to observe the principles set out in the Strategy, such as the ‘people-centred’ approach, this Council urges the Secretary for Housing, Planning and Lands to face up to the deficiencies and shortcomings of the existing Strategy, to immediately discharge his statutory duty to review the Strategy which has been in force for five years, after conducting public consultation, and to create conditions for URA to play the role of a more forward-looking pioneer to more effectively address the problem of urban ageing; the issues to which special attention should be paid in conducting the review should include:</p> <p>(a) devising a comprehensive urban regeneration strategy, and adopting a more flexible and creative mindset that could better meet the needs of the local community, in order to replace the existing strategy which is led under a demolition and redevelopment mode;</p> <p>(b) implementing a community planning regime whereby relevant professionals are encouraged to participate in the early stage of consultation to help consolidate the views of different sectors on urban regeneration, so as to enable the relevant parties to participate effectively and truly implement universal planning through a bottom-up approach; and striving to retain the cultural and economic activities which have local characteristics, with a view to preserving the original planning layout, social network and living style in the local communities;</p>



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<p data-bbox="108 629 528 667">II. MOTIONS NEGATIVED</p> <p data-bbox="108 1709 762 1839"><i>7 June 2006</i> “Regulating the transactions of new private residential properties” moved by <i>Hon Martin LEE Chu-ming</i></p>	<p data-bbox="834 703 1525 909">(c) not adopting a separatist attitude when devising updated blueprints and formulating reform strategies for local communities, but rather promoting coordination among the communities and making concerted efforts together with neighbouring communities in pursuing overall developments, so as to achieve the best synergy;</p> <p data-bbox="834 947 1525 1249">(d) elevating to the cross-bureaux level the planning and decision-making in urban regeneration; removing unnecessary bureaucratic restrictions so that different departments can all take part in planning new communities, thereby more effectively addressing the economic, social and cultural problems caused by changes in the local communities; and strengthening social impact assessments to fully reflect the implications of the projects on different groups in the local communities;</p> <p data-bbox="834 1288 1525 1429">(e) reviewing the legislation such as that which relates to buildings and town planning, etc, in order to better tie in with the different needs of the urban regeneration projects; and providing adequate choices for the affected residents; and</p> <p data-bbox="834 1467 1525 1673">(f) adopting more flexible financing and loan options to more effectively assist residents and shop operators in improving the community environment; and preventing URA from operating on a purely commercial model or even reducing itself to becoming a statutory real estate developer.” and the proposed amendments to the motion were negatived.</p> <p data-bbox="834 1711 1525 1877">The motion: “That, although currently the Government has strict legislation to regulate the securities and futures market for the protection of investors’ interests, there is no regulatory legislation targeted at the transactions in the property market, this Council urges the Government to:</p> <p data-bbox="834 1915 1525 2078">(a) introduce the Sales Descriptions of Uncompleted Residential Properties Bill into the Legislative Council, requiring developers to provide sales brochures regarding any public sale of uncompleted residential properties and include in the brochures such information as the location plan, floor</p>



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<p><i>5 July 2006</i> “Women in poverty” moved by Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee</p> <p><i>5 July 2006</i> “Fully conserving the ‘Government Hill’ ” moved by Hon Fred LI Wah-ming</p> <p>amendments moved by Hon CHEUNG Hok-ming Hon Alan LEONG Kah-kit</p>	<p>plan, floor area, fittings and finishes, car parking spaces, salient conditions of the Government lease, salient provisions in the Deed of Mutual Covenant, defect liability period, completion date, slope maintenance, price list, number of units put up for sale, mortgage loans and payment scheme, and other fees and charges payable, so as to safeguard the rights and interests of consumers;</p> <p>(b) formulate legislation for regulating the sale of new residential properties and to prohibit market misconduct including insider dealing, false trading, price rigging and disclosing false or misleading information, so as to enhance the transparency of the property market and ensure its healthy development; and</p> <p>(c) in view of the increasingly hectic scenes at property sales and promotion activities, which can easily create an atmosphere that renders prospective buyers vulnerable to being misled and deceived, draw up guidelines on property sales and promotion activities in conjunction with the real estate sector, and study the provision of a cooling-off period in the contracts of new private residential properties, in order to allow time for buyers to decide whether or not ultimately to buy the residential properties concerned.” was negatived.</p> <p>The motion: “That this Council endorses the Report on Women in Poverty by the Subcommittee to Study the Subject of Combating Poverty and urges the Government to implement the recommendations therein.” was negatived.</p> <p>The original motion: “That, as the Government Secretariat on Lower Albert Road in Central District blends in with the surrounding cultural heritage and green areas to form a comprehensive ‘Government Hill’ planning zone, and the open area outside the Main Wing of the Government Secretariat has also witnessed the development of social campaigns in Hong Kong, captured the collective memory of Hong Kong’s civil</p>



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<p>II. MOTIONS NEGATIVED</p> <p><i>12 July 2006</i> “Protecting the Harbour” moved by <i>Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki</i></p> <p>amendments moved by <i>Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan</i> <i>Hon SIN Chung-kai</i></p>	<p>society and bears great significance to Hong Kong in terms of history, architecture and the public’s sentiments, this Council urges the Government to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) conserve the existing Government Secretariat compound and undertake not to develop the compound for commercial use, so as to preserve the original environment and ambience of the ‘Government Hill’ and its environs;(b) in keeping with the principle of heritage conservation, fully consult the public on the future use of the existing Government Secretariat;(c) conserve the trees and plants in the ‘Government Hill’ and its vicinity so that the area will remain a city lung in Central District; and(d) conduct a study on converting some of the offices in the existing Government Secretariat into a government museum, to give effect to the function of conserving our heritage.” and the proposed amendments to the motion were negatived. <p>The original motion: “That, as today’s Victoria Harbour, having gone through a number of large-scale reclamation works, coupled with the prolonged absence of an overall planning for the harbour environment and measures for conservation of natural ecology, has been seriously damaged and polluted, in order to protect the harbour and preserve it as a special public asset and a natural heritage of Hong Kong people, this Council urges the Government to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) adhere to the provisions of the Protection of the Harbour Ordinance and the judgement of the Court of Final Appeal, and follow the following three principles in considering the reclamation projects in the Wan Chai Development Phase II and the Kai Tak Development: first, there is a compelling, overriding and urgent need for reclamation; second, there is no viable alternative to reclamation; and third, the reclamation involves minimum impairment to the harbour;



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III. MOTIONS FOR ADJOURNMENT	
<p><i>19 October 2005</i> Motion for adjournment moved by <i>Hon LAU Kong-wah</i></p>	<p>The motion: “That this Council do now adjourn for the purpose of debating the following issue: Toll adjustment issues of Tate’s Cairn Tunnel and Route 3 (Country Park Section).” was passed.</p>
<p><i>23 November 2005</i> Motion for adjournment moved by <i>Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye</i></p>	<p>The motion: “That this Council do now adjourn for the purpose of debating the following issue: Security and public order issues relating to the Sixth Ministerial Conference of the World Trade Organization.” was passed.</p>
<p><i>5 July 2006</i> Motion for adjournment moved by <i>Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki</i></p>	<p>The motion: “That this Council do now adjourn for the purpose of debating the following issue: Preventive and control measures adopted and emergency assistance provided to the trades by the Administration with regard to the repeated occurrence of human infection of avian influenza in the Mainland.” was not voted upon.</p>

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Statistical Breakdown of All Concluded Cases

UNDER THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL REDRESS SYSTEM IN 2005-2006

Statistical breakdown, by Government policy bureaux/departments, independent organizations and non-government organizations, of concluded cases

From 01-Oct-2005 to 30-Sep-2006

Outcome A : Cases resolved/views accepted
 B : Suitable assistance given
 C : Information given/referrals made
 D : Not pursued because outside scope, groundless, incomprehensible, etc.

Nature : Outcome :	Complaint				Request for assistance				Proposal/view				Enquiry				Matter outside scope				Total
	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	
Government policy bureaux/departments																					
HOUSING, PLANNING & LANDS BUREAU	3	55	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	82
HOUSING DEPARTMENT	9	2	16	1	9	12	10	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	66
SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT	2	3	7	1	6	8	0	0	1	1	13	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	44
TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT	3	3	9	0	0	4	3	0	7	4	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	41
HEALTH, WELFARE & FOOD BUREAU	1	0	0	1	3	4	5	0	1	0	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	37
HONG KONG POLICE FORCE	1	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	14	34
CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S OFFICE	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	33
ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORT & WORKS BUREAU	0	1	1	0	0	4	3	0	0	1	20	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	31
FOOD & ENVIRONMENTAL HYGIENE DEPARTMENT	3	4	8	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	6	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	27
HOME AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT	3	1	4	0	2	1	4	0	3	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	26
LANDS DEPARTMENT	6	1	4	0	3	2	1	0	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	25
BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT	5	4	7	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22
EDUCATION & MANPOWER BUREAU	0	1	1	0	2	0	5	1	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	22
IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT	0	1	4	1	1	2	5	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	19
LEISURE & CULTURAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT	2	3	6	0	0	1	1	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19
CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS BUREAU	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16
COMMERCE, INDUSTRY & TECHNOLOGY BUREAU	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	15
SECURITY BUREAU	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	13	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	15
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & LABOUR BUREAU	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT	5	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
HOME AFFAIRS BUREAU	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	11
LABOUR DEPARTMENT	0	0	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES & CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT	1	2	2	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
CIVIL SERVICE BUREAU	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	3	9
CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT	0	0	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	8
FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
FINANCIAL SERVICES & THE TREASURY BUREAU	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	8
CHIEF SECRETARY FOR ADMINISTRATION'S OFFICE	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
OFFICE OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY	0	1	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6
TELEVISION & ENTERTAINMENT LICENSING AUTHORITY	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
DRAINAGE SERVICES DEPARTMENT	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DEPARTMENT	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
WATER SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT	1	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
PLANNING DEPARTMENT	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
FIRE SERVICES DEPARTMENT	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
HONG KONG MONETARY AUTHORITY	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
MARINE DEPARTMENT	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
CIVIL ENGINEERING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
CUSTOMS & EXCISE DEPARTMENT	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
GOVERNMENT PROPERTY AGENCY	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
INLAND REVENUE DEPARTMENT	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
LEGAL AID DEPARTMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
RADIO TELEVISION HONG KONG	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
RATING & VALUATION DEPARTMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
AUXILIARY MEDICAL SERVICE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
ELECTRICAL & MECHANICAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
HONG KONG OBSERVATORY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY DEPARTMENT	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
OFFICIAL RECEIVER'S OFFICE	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
POST OFFICE	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AGENCY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
TERRITORY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (up to 30.6.2004)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
TOURISM COMMISSION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
TRADE & INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Sub-total	57	89	100	7	34	50	51	6	23	11	244	2	0	4	8	1	0	0	11	38	736
Independent organizations																					
HOSPITAL AUTHORITY	0	2	6	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	9	28
JUDICIARY	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	12	19
CONSUMER COUNCIL	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	1	10
INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	8
SECURITIES & FUTURES COMMISSION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	6
HONG KONG HOUSING SOCIETY	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
CHINESE MEDICINE COUNCIL OF HONG KONG	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3
HONG KONG HOUSING AUTHORITY	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
HONG KONG PRODUCTIVITY COUNCIL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY CORPORATION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
CONSTRUCTION WORKERS REGISTRATION AUTHORITY	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
ESTATE AGENTS AUTHORITY	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
HONG KONG TOURISM BOARD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
INDEPENDENT POLICE COMPLAINTS COUNCIL	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
THE LINK	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Sub-total	4	4	13	1	0	2	2	1	1	0	24	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	4	32	93
Non-government organizations																					

The Legislative Council Commission and its Committees

THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL COMMISSION

Terms of reference

1. To provide through the Secretariat administrative support and services to the Council.
2. To provide office accommodation to Members of the Council and staff of the Secretariat.
3. To supervise the operation of the Secretariat.
4. To produce an official report of all proceedings in the Council and in any committee of the whole Council.
5. To perform such other duties as the Council may by resolution determine.

Membership

Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai (Chairman)
Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye (Deputy Chairman)
Hon Fred LI Wah-ming
Hon Margaret NG
Hon CHEUNG Man-kwong
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing
Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen
Hon WONG Ting-kwong
Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing

Committee on Personnel Matters

Terms of Reference

1. To consider personnel matters including staffing resources, appointment, promotion, dismissal, grading, duties, remuneration and other terms and conditions of service of staff of the Secretariat which require the attention of the Commission;
2. To approve appointments including acting appointments with a view to promotion of officers at Chief Council Secretary level and above; and
3. To monitor progress of appointment and personnel matters delegated to the Secretary General.

Membership

Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai (Chairman)
Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye
Hon Margaret NG
Hon Jasper TSANG Yok-sing
Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing

Committee on Members' Operating Expenses

Terms of Reference

1. To advise on administrative matters relating to Members' operating expenses; and
2. To review the Legislative Council Secretariat's decisions on Members' claims for operating expenses reimbursements.

Membership

Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai (Chairman)

Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye

Hon Fred LI Wah-ming

Committee on Facilities and Services

Terms of Reference

1. To consider the accommodation requirements of the Council and the Secretariat;
2. To assess the needs of the Council and of individual Members for services and facilities for the conduct of Council business;
3. To formulate solutions for meeting needs identified at (1) and (2);
4. To consider financial matters relating to (1) to (3) above, and approve procurement of fixed assets costing above \$500,000 but not exceeding \$2,000,000; and
5. To monitor the progress and developments relating to the above items.

Membership

Hon Mrs Rita FAN HSU Lai-tai (Chairman)

Hon Emily LAU Wai-hing

Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen

Hon WONG Ting-kwong

Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing

Subcommittee on Information Technology Services of the Committee on Facilities and Services

Terms of Reference

To advise on the information technology services provided by the Legislative Council Secretariat.

Membership

Hon Andrew LEUNG Kwan-yuen

Hon Patrick LAU Sau-shing

Organization Chart of the Legislative Council Secretariat

(AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2006)

