

Bills Committee on Town Planning (Amendment) Bill 2003

**List of follow-up actions arising from discussion
at the meeting on 20 April 2004**

In relation to LC Paper CB(1)1553/03-04(02), the Administration was requested:

Clause 5, section 2B

- (a) to consider expressly providing in the Bill that businesses relating to statutory procedures cannot be transacted by circulation of papers;
- (b) to undertake at the Second Reading Debate on the Bill that only procedural and administrative matters will be transacted by circulation of papers;
- (c) to clarify whether circulation of papers includes e-mail;

Clauses 13, 16 and 18, sections 12A, 16 and 17

- (d) to request District Offices and other relevant bodies to conduct periodic check after the posting of a notice by Town Planning Board in relation to planning applications and amendment of plans to ensure as far as possible the notice kept posted during the three-week publication period;
- (e) to undertake at the Second Reading Debate on the Bill that the Administration will conduct periodic check to ensure as far as possible the notice kept posted;
- (f) to consider devising at the Stage Two Amendment a mechanism to enable the Town Planning Board to withdraw its decision where material information provided by applicants or commenters is found to be false;
- (g) to consider proposing Committee Stage Amendment to the effect that copies of planning applications shall be made available to any persons on payment of a prescribed fee; and
- (h) to make available information relating to appeal in respect of planning applications for public inspection and copy on payment of a prescribed fee. Members suggest that this arrangement be expressly provided in law or put into place by administrative means.