Bills Committee on Town Planning (Amendment) Bill 2003

List of follow-up actions arising from discussion at the meeting on 4 May 2004

The Administration was requested:

Clause 7, section 6

- (a) to consider expressly requiring the nature of the representation be indicated in the representation (subsection (2));
- (b) to review whether it is appropriate to treat any representation which does not comply with the requirements made under subsection (2)(b) as not having been made (subsection (3)(b));

Clause 8, section 6A

- (c) to provide a paper to explain the requirements that will be made under subsection (2);
- (d) to review whether it is appropriate to treat any comment which does not comply with the requirements made under subsection (2) as not having been made (subsection (3)(b);

Clause 8, section 6D

- (e) to consider the merits of expressly providing in law that the meeting held by the Town Planning Board (TPB) to hear representation be open to the public;
- (f) to review whether the proposed section 2(6) will confer TPB with sufficient power to regulate meetings conducted to hear representations. A member is concerned about possible abuse of procedure;

Clause 8, section 6E

(g) to consider the need to require publication of a notice in two local Chinese newspapers and one local English newspaper concerning availability of proposed amendments to a draft plan for public inspection and comment (subsection (2));

Clause 8, section 6H

- (h) to consider the merits of expressly providing in law that the meeting held by TPB to hear further representation be open to the public; and
- (i) to consider revising the wording in subsection (6) in line with section 6D(6).

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