

**Panel on Housing**

**List of outstanding items for discussion  
(position as at 8 April 2009)**

- |  |   | <b>Proposed timing for discussion</b> |
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| <b>1. Progress on public engagement for public housing development</b>               |   | May 2009                              |
|  | <p>The Administration would like to brief members on the progress made as regards the public engagement through focus group prior to all large-scale development projects.</p>  |                                       |
| <b>2. Progress of the provision of barrier-free access in public housing estates</b> |   | May 2009                              |
|  | <p>The Administration would like to update members on how it has provided and created a barrier-free living environment for the disabled and elderly tenants in public rental housing estates. The Housing Authority will provide facilities and carry out landscape improvements to cater for the elderly in estates with large number of elderly tenants, and will continue to carry out flat alterations in accordance with elderly tenants' individual needs or as advised by their therapists.</p> |                                       |
| <b>3. Mobile office in rendering services in public housing estates</b>              |   | June 2009                             |
|  | <p>The Administration would like to report to members the deployment of mobile office strategy in the services for tenants in public rental housing estates.</p>  |                                       |
| <b>4. Twin tanks design in public housing estates</b>                                |   | June 2009                             |
|  | <p>The Administration would like to report to members on the introduction of twin-water tanks on the roofs of all new public rental housing blocks from late 2009 onwards. These twin tanks will enable uninterrupted water supplies to tenants, with one tank remaining in service while the other is cleaned. Apart from the additional convenience to tenants, this innovation will also save water and improve the durability of the roof structure in the long term.</p>                           |                                       |

**Proposed timing for discussion**

- 5. Outsourcing of management of public housing estates** Second quarter, 2009

Members are concerned about the impact of outsourcing the work of management staff, which is currently undertaken by civil servants, to private management agencies, particularly on the enforcement of the Marking Scheme for Estate Management Enforcement in Public Housing Estates.

- 6. Upgrading of security systems in public housing estates** Third quarter, 2009

The Administration would like to brief members on the upgrade of the CCTV System in the public rental housing estates starting from 2008/09. With the upgrading of the security system, the property management, housing security and lift car monitoring could be enhanced.

- 7. Thematic greening for the urban area in and adjoining Choi Wan Road, Jordan Valley and Lower Ngau Tau Kok** December 2009

The project is to support the public housing development at Choi Wan Road/Jordan Valley and the redevelopment of existing Lower Ngau Tau Kok Estate. It serves to bring noticeable improvements to the urban areas through enhancement of greening to slopes, streetscape and pedestrian linkages. The project is scheduled to commence in April 2010. The Administration would seek the Panel's support to obtain funds from the Legislative Council Public Works Subcommittee in February 2010 and Finance Committee in March 2010.

- 8. Policy on interim housing** To be confirmed

Relevant concern groups will be invited to attend discussion on the subject.

- 9. Public housing for elderly persons** To be confirmed

**Proposed timing for discussion**

**10. Policy on safeguarding rational allocation of public housing resources**

To be confirmed

Members consider that it may not be fair to exclude well-off tenants from relief measures introduced by the Administration, including the one-month rent-free period.

**11. Review of the Landlord and Tenant (Consolidation) Ordinance (Cap. 7)**

To be confirmed

To follow up on the referral arising from the meeting between Duty Roster Members and the "全港租客大聯盟" on 21 November 2008 regarding the request for review of the Ordinance (LC Paper No. CB(1) 314/08-09(01)).

**12. Supply and cost of liquefied petroleum gas in public housing estates**

To be confirmed

To follow up on a submission from the Mutual Aid Committee of Ka Man House of Oi Man Estate referred to the Panel by the Complaints Division regarding the high cost of liquefied petroleum gas supplied in public housing estates (LC Paper No. CB(1) 630/08-09). Similar submissions from the same organization were circulated vide LC Paper Nos. CB(1) 329, 513 and 528/08-09.

**13. Implementation of the new rent adjustment mechanism**

To be confirmed  
*(The item was originally scheduled for discussion in the second quarter, 2009)*

The Housing (Amendment) Bill 2007, including the establishment of a new income-based rent adjustment mechanism for public rental housing, was passed by the Legislative Council in June 2007. The Administration is requested to brief members on the implementation of the mechanism.