Panel on Housing

List of outstanding items for discussion (position as at 12 October 2009)

Proposed timing for discussion

1. Environment-friendly designs of and green measures implemented in public housing estates

November 2009

Panel meeting December At in 2007, Administration was requested to provide an annual report progress and effectiveness the of the environment-friendly measures implemented in public housing starting from the 2007/08 financial year. Administration would report to the Panel implementation progress of green initiatives and measures in public housing estates in 2008/09.

2. Enhancement of CCTV Systems in Public Housing Estates

November 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.

3. Enhanced partnering arrangements among Estate Management Advisory Committees and non-governmental organisations to promote neighbourliness in public rental housing estates

November 2009

The Administration would like to brief members on the policy of inviting non-governmental organisations for enhanced partnering functions with Estate Management Advisory Committees to promote community building and neighbourliness in public rental housing estates.

Proposed timing for discussion

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

December 2009

To follow up on the referrals arising from the meeting between Duty Roster Members and the Society for Community Organization (SOCO) and "全港租客大聯盟" on 17 and 21 November 2008 respectively regarding the request for review of the Ordinance (LC Paper Nos. CB(1) 1354/08-09(01), CB(1) 314/08-09(01) and CB(1) 1354/08-09(02)).

5. Progress report on the addition of lifts and escalators in Housing Authority's existing public housing estates

December 2009

The Administration would like to brief members on the progress of the addition of lifts and escalators in Housing Authority's existing public housing estates.

6. Review of Housing Advisory and Service Team in Tin Shui Wai

December 2009

The Administration would like to brief members on the review of implementing the pilot scheme of the Housing Advisory and Service Team in Tin Shui Wai with services commenced in mid-April 2008.

7. Effectiveness of Quality Reform for Piling Works

January 2010

The Administration would like to brief members on the quality reform measures that have been implemented by the Housing Authority to enhance the quality of the piling works since 2000 and the improvements achieved in different aspects of piling works for public housing projects.

8. Review of the Waiting List Income and Asset Limits

March 2010

The Housing Authority reviews the Waiting List Income and Asset Limits annually. The Administration would brief members on the outcome of the 2010/11 review. The approved new limits will take effect from April 2010.

Proposed timing for discussion

9. Thematic greening for the urban area in and adjoining Choi Wan Road, Jordan Valley and Lower Ngau Tau Kok

June 2010

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 December 2010. The Administration would seek the Panel's support to obtain funds from the Legislative Council Public Works Subcommittee in November 2010 and Finance Committee in December 2010.

10. Implementation of the new rent adjustment mechanism

June / July 2010

The Administration would like to inform members on the outcome of the first rent review under the new rent adjustment mechanism.

11. Policy on interim housing

To be confirmed

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

12. Public housing for elderly persons

To be confirmed

A related submission from SOCO has been circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(1) 1867/08-09(03).

13. Outsourcing of management of public housing estates

To be confirmed

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.

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