Panel on Housing

List of outstanding items for discussion (position as at 14 October 2010)

Proposed timing for discussion

1. My Home Purchase Plan

November 2010

The Administration would like to brief Members on the My Home Purchase Plan.

2. Stepped-up checking on household income and assets of Public Rental Housing (PRH) tenants

November 2010

The Administration would like to brief members on a one-off special exercise to step up the checking of PRH tenants' household income and assets.

3. Enhancement of Closed-circuit Television Security Systems in existing PRH estates

December 2010

The Administration would like to inform members of the progress of the programme for enhancing the closed-circuit television security systems in existing PRH estates scheduled for completion in 2013/14.

4. Environment-friendly designs of and green measures implemented in PRH estates

December 2010

The Administration would like to report the progress of the implementation of environment-friendly designs and green measures in PRH estates by the Hong Kong Housing Authority in 2009/10.

5. Review of the interim measures to tackle under-occupation in PRH estates

January 2011

The Administration would like to inform members of the review findings of the interim measures in tackling under-occupation in PRH estates as well as the way forward in dealing with most serious under-occupation cases.

6. 2010-2015 Public Housing Construction Programme

January 2011

The Administration would like to brief members on the details of the 2010-15 Public Housing Construction Programme.

7. Progress report on the addition of lifts and escalators in Housing Authority's existing PRH estates

Q1 2011

The Administration would like to brief members on progress of the programme for addition of lifts, escalators and footbridges in the Housing Authority's existing PRH estates.

8. Marking Scheme for Estate Management Enforcement in PRH estates

Q1 2011

The Administration would like to brief members on the latest progress and effectiveness of the Marking Scheme.

9. Performance of environmental targets and initiatives in 2010

Q1 2011

The Administration would like to brief members on the performance of the environmental targets and initiatives such as energy saving measures, waste recovery etc. for PRH estates in 2010.

10. Water supply to housing development at Anderson Road (PWP No. B126WC under Head 711)

Q2 2011

The Administration would like to seek the Panel's support to obtain funds from the Legislative Council Public Works Subcommittee in June 2011 and Finance Committee in July 2011 for upgrading the remaining water works to Category A to serve the public housing development at Anderson Road.

11. Enhanced partnering arrangements among Estate Management Advisory Committees and non-government organizations to promote neighborliness in PRH estates

Q2 2011

The Administration would report on the progress of the enhanced partnering arrangements among Estate Management Advisory Committees and non-government organizations to promote neighborliness in PRH estates.

12. Setting up of the Tenants Purchase Scheme Advisory Team (TPSAT)

Q2 2011

The Administration would report on the effectiveness of TPSAT after completion of the review, which is expected to be completed in mid-2011.

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

To be confirmed

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 2011. The Administration would seek the Panel's support to obtain funds from the Legislative Council Public Works Subcommittee in December 2010 and Finance Committee in January 2011.

14. Policy on interim housing

To be confirmed

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

15. Public housing for elderly persons

To be confirmed

A related submission from Society for Community Organization and a referral from Duty Roster Members have been circulated vide LC Paper Nos. CB(1) 1867/08-09(03) and CB(1) 709/09-10(01).

16. 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.

17. Public rental housing for single persons

To be confirmed

Members are concerned about the long waiting time for single-person applicants.

Referrals from Duty Roster Members and meeting between Legislative Council Members and Kwai Tsing District Council members on 5 July 2010 regarding the application, waiting time and allocation of public rental housing flats for non-elderly singletons have been circulated vide LC Paper Nos. CB(1) 1820/09-10(01), CB(1) 2263/09-10(01) and CB(1) 2968/09-10(01).

18. Issues related to the agreement between the Estate Agents Authority and the China Institute of Real Estate Appraisers and Agents

To be confirmed

Referred to the Panel by the Subcommittee on Estate Agents (Licensing) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulation 2009. The Administration has been requested to report to the Panel progress and operation of the scheme on mutual recognition of qualifications of estate agents on both sides.

The report of the Subcommittee is hyperlinked below for easy reference –

http://www.legco.gov.hk/yr09-10/english/hc/papers/hccb1-406-e.pdf

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