Panel on Development

List of outstanding items for discussion

(Position as at 10 October 2011)

Proposed timing for discussion/Remarks

1. Subsidiary Legislation for Implementation of Mandatory Building Inspection Scheme and Mandatory Window Inspection Scheme

25 October 2011

Subsidiary legislation has to be made to set out the detailed procedural and technical requirements of the two mandatory schemes based on the legal framework of the enacted Buildings (Amendment) Ordinance 2011.

2. Supply of Dongjiang Water

25 October 2011

The current Dongjiang (DJ) water supply agreement is due to expire at the end of 2011. The Administration would like to brief Members on arrangements for the supply of DJ water between 2012 and 2014, its financial implications and a proposal of seeking a supplementary provision from the Finance Committee to meet additional water purchase cost in 2011-2012. The Administration plans to seek the Finance Committee's approval on the relevant financial proposal in November 2011.

3. PWP Item No. 5013GB Liantang/Heung Yuen Wai Boundary Control Point and associated works

November 2011

The Administration intends to seek funding support for upgrading part of the project to Category A for reprovisioning of the boundary patrol road and associated security facilities.

4. Proposed redevelopment scheme for the West Wing of the Central Government Offices

The subject was discussed at the meetings of the Panel on 27 April and 26 October 2010. A public hearing on the issue was held by the Panel on 23 November 2010. The public consultation on the proposed redevelopment of the West Wing of the Central Government Offices ended on 31 December 2010. The Administration will update the Panel on the way forward for the proposed scheme.

4th Quarter 2011

5. Proposed amendments to Building (Standards of Sanitary Fitments, Plumbing, Drainage Works and Latrines) Regulations

The Administration intends to introduce to members the proposed amendments to the Building (Standards of Sanitary Fitments, Plumbing, Drainage Works and Latrines) Regulations, including the provision of female sanitary facilities. The Administration intends to submit the subsidiary legislation in due course.

1st Quarter 2012

6. North East New Territories New Development Areas Planning and Engineering Study

The subject was proposed by Hon LEE Wing-tat. He expressed concern about the proposed comprehensive development and nature conservation enhancement area in the Kwu Tung North New Development Area Preliminary Outline Development Plan.

Mid-2012

The Panel discussed the subject of "Planning and Engineering Study on North East New Territories New Development Areas (NENT NDAs) (Stage One Public Engagement)" at the meeting on 25 November 2008. The Administration briefed

the Panel on the Preliminary Outline Development Plans in the Stage Two Public Engagement at the meeting on 24 November 2009.

The Administration provided an update on the NENT NDAs Planning and Engineering Study in its supplementary note on the Planning and Engineering Study on Development of Lok Ma Chau Loop -- Investigation -- Stage One Public Engagement (LC Paper No. CB(1)735/10-11(04)) in December 2010.

7. Environmentally Friendly Linkage System for the Kai Tak Development

The Administration intends to brief the Panel on the findings of the feasibility study on the above system.

4th Quarter 2011

8. Seismic effects on buildings in Hong Kong

The Administration intends to introduce to members the recommendations of the Buildings Department's consultancy study on seismic effects on buildings in Hong Kong and the proposed way forward. The Administration intends to submit the subsidiary legislation in due course.

First half of 2012

9. Leakage problem of water mains in housing estates

The subject proposed was by Hon WONG Kwok-hing in a letter to the Chairman 18 November 2010 dated (LC Paper No. proposal CB(1)514/10-11(01)). The discussed at the meeting of the Panel on 23 November 2010 and supported. The Audit Commission has conducted a review to examine the Water Supplies Department's management of burst and leaks in the water supply and distribution

Please see the *Note*

systems and published its recommendations in Report No. 55 of the Director of Audit's Report (tabled in the Legislative Council on 17 November 2010).

Note: The Administration provided an information paper to the Panel on 16 June 2011 on the subject (LC Paper No. CB(1)2510/10-11(02)). Hon WONG Kwok-hing agreed to remove this item.

10. Review of the functions of the Town Planning Board and related issues

At the meeting with Legislative Council Members on 29 November 2005, Heung Yee Kuk Councillors raised concern about the mechanism to check and balance the powers of the Town Planning Board. The relevant extract from the minutes of the meeting was circulated to members vide LC Paper No. CB(1)700/05-06 on 13 January 2006.

To be decided (Note)

At the Panel meeting on 14 October 2008, Hon Tanya CHAN, Hon Cyd HO and Hon Abraham SHEK expressed views that issues related to the review of the functions of the Town Planning Board, town planning procedures, and secretariat support for the Town Planning Board should be discussed.

Note: The Administration has advised that review of the Town Planning Ordinance is not a priority of the Development Bureau and thus has not been factored into its current work plan.

11. Small House Policy

The subject was proposed by Hon CHAN Kam-lam at the meeting on 11 October 2007. A letter from the Chief Secretary for Administration in reply to the Public Accounts Committee (LC Paper No.

To be decided (Note)

CB(1)130/07-08(01)) providing information about the progress of the Small House Policy review was circulated to members on 25 October 2007.

At the meeting with Legislative Council Members on 8 January 2009, Heung Yee Kuk Councillors raised concern about the arrangements regarding Small House applications by descendents of indigenous villagers after village removal. The relevant documents (LC Paper No. CB(1)935/08-09(02)) were circulated to members on 2 March 2009.

Note: The Administration has advised that more time is required for its internal deliberation on the subject and thus it would not be ready to discuss the subject in the near future.

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