Panel on Environmental Affairs

List of outstanding items for discussion (position as at 16 December 2011)

Proposed timing for discussion

1. Proposal for banning all forms of asbestos

To report on the outcome of consultation with stakeholders and the originally scheduled final proposal. originally scheduled for discussion in

January 2012 (The item was originally scheduled for discussion in February 2012)

2. Municipal Solid Waste Charging

January 2012

To brief members on the public engagement exercise on Municipal Solid Waste Charging.

Hon Albert CHAN also wishes to include discussion on the feasibility of introducing legislation on mandatory separation of municipal solid waste.

3. Control on the emissions of non-road mobile sources

February 2012

To report on the outcome of the trade consultation and explain the way forward.

4. Measures to strengthen the control of emissions from petrol and liquefied petroleum gas vehicles

(Suggest inviting the Transport Panel members to join the meeting since the proposal would affect the transport sector.)

February 2012
(The item was originally scheduled for discussion in January 2012)

To report on the findings of the consultation.

5. Upgrading of Mui Wo sewage treatment works and provision of sewerage in Mui Wo and Kau Lung Hang

February 2012 (tentative)

To upgrade the following sewerage items to Category A –

- (a) 353DS Outlying Islands sewerage, stage 2 upgrading of Mui Wo village sewerage phase 2 and Mui Wo sewage treatment works
- (b) 339DS North District sewerage, stage 1 phase 2C and stage 2 phase 1

6. Public Consultation on the Restriction of Sale of March 2012 Energy-inefficient Incandescent Light Bulbs

To inform the Panel of the outcome of a three-month public consultation on restriction of sale of energy-inefficient incandescent light bulbs.

7. Update on the progress of the key initiatives in the Waste Management Strategy March 2012 (tentative)

To report the progress of initiatives in the Waste Management Strategy announced in January 2011.

8. Provision of sewerage in Port Shelter catchment and South Lantau April 2012 (tentative)

To upgrade the following sewerage items to Category A –

- (a) 272DS (part) Port Shelter sewerage, stage 2
- (b) 273DS (part) Port Shelter sewerage, stage 3
- (c) 331DS (part) Outlying Island sewerage, stage 2 South Lantau sewerage works

9. Provision of sewerage in Yuen Long and Lam Tsuen Valley

May 2012 (tentative)

To upgrade the following sewerage items to Category A –

- (a) 274DS (part) Yuen Long and Kam Tin sewerage, stage 3
- (b) 332DS Lam Tsuen Valley sewerage, stage 2

10. PWP Item No. 6810TH - Retrofitting of noise barriers on Tuen Mun Road (Town Centre Section)

May 2012 (tentative)

To upgrade the noise barrier retrofitting project at the Town Centre section of Tuen Mun Road to Category A.

11. External lighting in Hong Kong

June 2012

Raised by Hon Tanya CHAN. Members would like to be briefed on the outcome of consultation on the draft guidelines on Industry Best Practices for External Lighting Installations, as well as the latest progress of the way forward in tackling nuisance caused by external lighting.

12. Review of the "Second Technical Memorandum for Allocation of Emission Allowances in Respect of Specified Licences"

To be confirmed

13. Progress of measures for food waste reduction and treatment

To be confirmed

To report on the progress of the measures to reduce and treat food waste in Hong Kong

14. Consultation report on Hong Kong's Climate Change Strategy To be confirmed and Action Agenda

15. Banning of commercial fishing in marine parks

To be confirmed

Referral on banning of fishing in Geopark arising from the meeting between Legislative Council Members and Tai Po District Council members on 3 June 2010 (LC Paper No. CB(1) 2817/09-10).

To brief members on the progress of policy initiative to ban commercial fishing in marine parks.

16. Balance between development and nature conservation

To be confirmed

Members wish to be briefed on how to strike a balance between development and nature conservation to prevent destruction of sites of high conservation value as in the case of Sai Wan and Nam San Wai.

A joint meeting with the Panel on Development to be held to discuss the item.

17. Protection of marine ecology

To be confirmed

Members wish to be briefed on the measures taken to protect the marine environment of seabed which has been affected by pollution as a result of illegal dumping, trawling etc. Consideration should be given for the Administration to conduct a study to ascertain the situation.

18. Promoting the use of biodiesel

To be confirmed

Referred by the Subcommittee on Improving Air Quality. members wish to be briefed on the means to promote the use of biodiesel.

19. Retrofitting of noise barriers

To be confirmed

Referral arising from the meeting between Legislative Council Members and the Eastern District Council on 9 December 2010 during which the delay in retrofitting of noise barriers at the section of Chai Wan Road near Neptune Terrace was discussed (LC Paper No. CB(1) 2176/10-11).

20. Alleged breakdown of taxis/minibus after filling up with To be confirmed **Liquefied Petroleum Gas**

Raised by Hon IP Wai-ming. The Administration is requested to brief the Panel on the follow-up actions taken or being taken to tackle the problem.

21. Review of environmental impact assessment mechanism

To be confirmed

Raised by Hon Audrey EU. Members wish to be briefed on the Administration's latest position on the review of environmental impact assessment mechanism following the judgment of Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge judicial review handed down by the Court of Appeal.

22. Environmental impact assessment in relation to the Hong **Kong International Airport Master Plan 2030**

To be confirmed

Raised by Hon Audrey EU. Members are concerned about the environmental impacts of the development of a third runway at the Hong Kong International Airport.

23. To fully subsidize franchised bus companies to try electric To be confirmed buses

To seek Members' view on the proposal for funding the full cost of purchasing 36 electric buses for trial by franchised bus companies to assess their performance in different conditions.

24. Site selection for the development of the Integrated Waste Management Facilities and landfill extensions

To be confirmed

Members wish to be briefed on the latest progress of the development of the Integrated Waste Management Facilities and landfill extension projects.

Referrals arising from the meeting between Duty Roster Members and "群峰教育中心環境關注組", and the meeting between Legislative Council Members and Islands District Council members on 20 June and 12 May 2011 respectively regarding the development of Integrated Waste Treatment Facilities, which have been circulated vide LC Paper Nos. CB(1) 2694, 3090/10-11(01) and CB(1) 105/11-12(01).

The Administration proposes to upgrade PWP Item No. 5177DR - Integrated Waste Management Facilities Phase 1 to Category A.

Referral from the Public Complaints Office dated 14 November 2011 regarding the extension of the South East New Territories Landfill which has been circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(1) 352/11-12.

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