

Panel on Housing

List of outstanding items for discussion (position as at 2 November 2011)

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for discussion |
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| <p>1. Regulation of Sale of First-hand Residential Properties by Legislation</p> <p>The Steering Committee on the Regulation of Sale of First-hand Residential Properties by Legislation submitted its report to the Transport and Housing Bureau (THB) in October 2011. THB will conduct the public consultation in the form of a White Bill to expedite the process. The public consultation exercise will commence in late November 2011 and the Administration would like to listen to Members' views on the White Bill at its December 2011 meeting.</p> | December 2011 |
| <p>2. Development of Choi Hei Road Park – a community park converted from an abandoned quarry</p> <p>The Administration would like to brief Members on the development of the Choi Hei Road Park which is adjoining the Choi Wan Road public housing development. Because of the site character, the entire landscape design for Choi Hei Road Park is to "conserve a community park from an old granite quarry".</p> | Q1 2012 |
| <p>3. Initiatives to Enhance the Service Delivery of the Housing Authority (HA)</p> <p>Presently, there are over 1 500 departmental forms in the HA and most of which have been in use for many years. The HA has conducted a series of form reviews and implemented some IT projects in connection with forms in recent years with a view to enhancing customer friendliness as well as ensuring effective and efficient service delivery.</p> <p>The Administration would like to brief members on the progress made and the new initiatives.</p> | Q1 2012 |

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4. Marking Scheme for Estate Management Enforcement in Public Housing Estates (Marking Scheme)

Q1 2012

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

5. Progress Report on the Addition of Lifts and Escalators in HA's existing PRH estates

Q1 2012

The Administration would like to brief Members on the latest progress of the programme on the addition of lifts or escalators in HA's existing PRH estates.

6. Performance of Environmental Targets and Initiatives in 2010/11

Q1 2012

The Administration would like to brief members on the HA's performance of the environmental targets and initiatives such as energy saving measures, waste reduction, greening, etc in 2010/11.

7. Review of Waiting List Income and Asset Limits

Q1 2012

The HA reviews the Waiting List Income and Asset Limits annually. During each review, we will report the review findings to the Panel on Housing and then reflect Members' comments on the findings to the HA's Subsidized Housing Committee. The Administration would like to brief Members on the outcome of the 2012/13 review.

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8. District Open Space adjoining Lower Ngau Tau Kok Public Housing Redevelopment

Q2 2012

The Administration would like to seek the Panel's support to obtain funds from the Legislative Council Public Works Subcommittee in May 2012 and Finance Committee in June 2012 for upgrading the district open space project to Category A to tie in with the public housing redevelopment programme at Lower Ngau Tau Kok.

9. Progress Report on the Phasing Out Programme of Housing for Senior Citizens (HSC)

Q2 2012

The vacancy rate of HSC Type 1 design has been high since late 1990s in view of the increasing applicants' preference for self-contained public housing units. A phasing out programme to convert some vacant HSC Type 1 units into normal public housing flats has been implemented since 2006, and subsequently been extended to all HSC Type 1 units in March 2011. The Administration would review the programme in March 2012 and would like to brief members on its progress and effectiveness.

10. Progress Report on the Total Maintenance Scheme (TMS)

Q2 2012

The Administration would like to brief Members on the latest progress of the TMS.

11. Energy Saving Initiatives in New Public Housing Developments

Q2 2012

The Administration would like to brief members on the HA's new energy saving design for building services equipment such as two-level lighting system, high efficient motor and use of renewable energy.

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12. Rent review of public rental housing

Q2 2012

In accordance with section 16A of the Housing Ordinance (Cap. 283), the HA conducts a review of the rent of public rental housing every two years. The Administration would like to brief Members on the outcome of the review.

13. 2012/13-2016/17 Public Housing Construction Programme

Q2 2012

The Administration would like to brief members on the details of the 2012/13-2016/17 Public Housing Construction Programme.

Referrals arising from the meetings between Legislative Council Members and Tai Po as well as Islands District Councils members on 23 June and 12 May 2011 regarding the development of public housing in Tai Po and Tung Chung respectively (LC Paper No. CB(1) 245/11-12).

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).

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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. Review of the Policy on Safeguarding Rational Allocation of Public Housing Resources

To be confirmed

Members consider that the Administration should review the Policy following the shelving of the Tenants Purchase Scheme.

18. Measures to tackle property bubble

To be confirmed

Members wish to be briefed on the measures taken/to be taken by the Administration to tackle property bubble.

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

To be confirmed

Members wish to be briefed on the time frame for review of the Ordinance.

20. Re-launching of Tenants Purchase Scheme and revitalization of the Home Ownership Scheme Secondary Market

To be confirmed

Members wish to be briefed on the Administration's latest position on the issues.

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21. Quota and Points System for non-elderly one-person applicants for public rental housing To be confirmed

Members consider that the Administration should review the system given the long waiting time for non-elderly one-person applicants.

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