

Panel on Development

List of follow-up actions (Position as at 13 December 2012)

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1. Energizing Kowloon East (Development Bureau)	19 December 2011	Members opined that the Administration should formulate a long-term strategic plan for supply of office land in various districts in Hong Kong. In this connection, the Administration was requested to provide an analysis of demand and supply of office space by district in the past 10 years and, as far as possible, a projection of the same in the next five years.	Administration's response awaited
2. PWP Item No. 111KA -- Government, institution or community facilities in the Kwun Tong Town Centre redevelopment -- additional medical and health facilities (Development Bureau)	27 November 2012	The Administration was requested to provide the following information to address members' concerns -- (a) plans/drawings of the layout design of the medical and health facilities (with proposed additional floor areas) to be reprovisioned at Yuet Wah Street, including the design of all no-barrier access facilities;	Administration's response awaited

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		<p>(b) the construction cost per square foot that the Administration would reimburse the Urban Renewal Authority ("URA") for the provision of the additional floor space at the reprovisioned medical and health facilities; and</p> <p>(c) in respect of URA's funding responsibility for the one-for-one reprovisioning of the existing medical and health facilities at the Kwun Tong Jockey Club Health Centre:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) the background for the one-for-one reprovisioning arrangement, including whether that is an existing policy, whether there are precedents and the consultation process;(ii) a comparison between URA's one-for-one reprovisioning arrangement for relocating Government facilities (as in the case mentioned above) and its compensation offered to shop owners affected by the Kwun Tong Town	

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		<p>Centre ("KTTC") redevelopment project;</p> <p>(iii) whether the Administration will review the Urban Renewal Authority Ordinance (Cap. 563) in respect of the compensation for shop owners, so that they would be entitled to the compensation arrangements for relocating Government facilities;</p> <p>(iv) the potential profits that URA would make by developing the site previously used as the Kwun Tong Government Offices and the site currently used by the Kwun Tong Jockey Club Health Centre, which are at excellent locations, in exchange for reprovisioning affected Government facilities on a one-for-one basis;</p> <p>(v) the reasons for not requiring URA to bear the costs for constructing the proposed additional floor space at</p>	

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		<p>the reprovisioned medical and health facilities, as in other cases where developers were required to provide additional facilities with the development of a site previously used as Government facilities; and</p> <p>(vi) whether the one-for-one reprovisioning arrangement will be adopted in future projects on Government sites undertaken by URA or private developers.</p>	
<p>3. PWP Item No. 334WF -- Expansion of Tai Po water treatment works and ancillary raw water and fresh water transfer facilities -- part 2 works (Development Bureau)</p>	<p>27 November 2012</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide --</p> <p>(a) the costs for the following two options --</p> <p><u>Option 1</u> -- To uprate the water treatment facilities at Tai Po WTW as proposed and to reprovision Sha Tin WTW;</p> <p><u>Option 2</u> -- To uprate the water treatment facilities at Tai Po WTW to increase its output capacity (currently at 400 million</p>	<p>The Administration's response was issued to members on 11 December 2012 vide LC Paper No. CB(1)289/12-13(01).</p>

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		<p>litre per day) to the extent that it can take up the full loading of Sha Tin WTW, which will then have no need for reprovisioning; and</p> <p>(b) a comparison between the cost-effectiveness of Options 1 and 2, taking into account the potential value of the land to be released from the closure of Sha Tin WTW.</p>	
<p>4. North East New Territories New Development Areas Planning and Engineering Study (Development Bureau)</p>	<p>8 December 2012</p>	<p>Regarding the proposals under the Recommended Outline Development Plans to designate the core area of Long Valley within the Kwu Tung North New Development Area (NDA) (37 hectares) as a Nature Park for farmers to continue agricultural activities, in particular wet agriculture, and maintain two pieces of land to the north and south of the Nature Park (45 hectares) and an area in Fu Tei Au (9 hectares) as "Agriculture" zones, members noted some deputations were concerned that (LC Paper Nos. CB(1)243/12-13(11) to (13) & (15)) --</p> <p>(i) the proposal to convert the dry agricultural</p>	<p>Administration's response awaited</p>

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		<p>land in Long Valley into wetlands to compensate for the loss of existing wetlands due to the NDAs development would not only reduce the ecological value of Long Valley and undermine the efforts of some farmers and organizations made in nature conservation, but also force some existing farmers to move out from Long Valley; and</p> <p>(ii) the proposal to designate the existing good-quality agricultural land in the three NDAs, including wet agricultural land and active agricultural land, as non-agricultural uses would deprive farmers of the opportunities to continue their farming practices in these areas.</p> <p>In this connection, the Administration was requested to provide information on --</p> <p>(a) its policies/plans to address the above concerns; and</p> <p>(b) whether the existing/affected farmers</p>	

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		would be allowed to continue their current agricultural practices on the farmland mentioned in (ii) above and to build houses/structures on the land; if yes, the details.	

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