

Panel on Environmental Affairs

Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Air, Noise and Light Pollution

**List of follow-up actions arising from the discussion
at the meeting on 28 June 2013**

At the meeting on 28 June 2013, the Administration was requested to provide the following information for members' reference –

- (a) the factors that have been taken into consideration in deciding not to tighten the existing statutory road traffic noise limit of 70dB(A) L₁₀(1 hour) for residential premises as stipulated in the Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines; and
 - (b) the latest progress and details of the trial scheme to test the fitting of "acoustic windows" in residential buildings situated next to busy roads to protect residents from excessive traffic noise (e.g. the timeframe for completing the scheme and the way forward), as well as the latest developments of other innovative noise mitigation designs and measures against traffic noise.
2. In respect of air quality modelling, the Administration was requested to –
- (a) provide written response to the submissions set out in LC Paper Nos. CB(1)1393/12-13(01) and (02) respectively;
 - (b) provide information on the latest progress made by the Administration in enhancing the PATH ("Pollutants in the Atmosphere and their Transport over Hong Kong") model and details of the enhancement to be made; and
 - (c) advise how the Administration would enhance the transparency of the air quality modelling system and its applications in the environmental impact assessment process through closer communication with interested parties, the academic sector and other stakeholders.