Panel on Environmental Affairs

List of outstanding items for discussion (position as at 19 October 2012)

Proposed timing for discussion

1. Sewerage at Clear Water Bay Road, Pik Shui Sun Tsuen and west of Sai Kung town

November 2012

To increase the approved project estimate of **382DS**.

2. Extension of the Cleaner Production Partnership Programme

November 2012 (tentative)

To brief the Panel on the extension of the Cleaner Production Partnership Programme.

3. Ecological impact arising from construction works as in the case of the Tai Po Lung Mei Beach project

November 2012 (tentative)

Members are concerned about the ecological impact arising from construction works as in the case of the Tai Po Lung Mei Beach project and wish to be briefed on the measures taken to protect inter-tidal ecology.

Members of the Panel on Home Affairs to be invited to attend the discussion on this item.

4. Municipal solid waste charging

December 2012 (tentative)

To brief the Panel on the result of the public consultation exercise completed in April 2012 and the proposed way forward.

5. Consultation report on the restriction of sale of energy-inefficient incandescent light bulbs

December 2012 (tentative)

To inform the Panel of the outcome of the public consultation

on the restriction of sale of energy-inefficient incandescent light bulbs. Members would also like to be briefed on the treatment and disposal of used compact fluorescent lamps and the measures to promote the use of light emitting diode.

6. Tariff reviews with the two power companies

December 2012 (tentative)

Raised by Dr Kenneth CHAN at the meeting on 16 October 2012. Members wished to be briefed on the tariff reviews with the two power companies, taking into account the need for upgrading emission reduction facilities and using cleaner fuels for power generation.

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

7. Briefing on environmental initiatives in the Chief Executive's Policy Address

January 2013 (tentative)

8. Retrofitting franchised buses with selective catalytic reduction devices

January 2013 (tentative)

To report the findings of the trial and seek members' support for the funding proposal for large-scale retrofitting Euro II and III franchised buses with selective catalytic reduction devices.

9. PWP Item No. 5045CG – District Cooling System at the Kai Tak Development

January 2013 (tentative)

To seek funding for the implementation of the Phase III (Package A) of the District Cooling System at the Kai Tak Development ("KTD"). The Administration proposes to submit this infrastructural project with other relevant public works projects at KTD for discussion at the Development Panel, and Environmental Affairs Panel members will be invited to attend the discussion.

10. Provision of sewerage in Tolo Harbour, North District and Peng Chau

March 2013 (tentative)

To upgrade the following sewerage items to Category A –

- (a) **125DS** (part) Tolo Harbour sewerage of unsewered areas, stage 2
- (b) **339DS** (part) North District sewerage, stage 1 phase 2C and stage 2 phase 1
- (c) **343DS** Outlying Islands sewerage stage 2 Peng Chau village sewerage phase 2

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

April 2013 (tentative)

To upgrade the noise barrier retrofitting project to Category A.

12. Measures to address noise impact on existing roads

April 2013 (tentative)

Raised by Mr CHAN Han-pan, Mr Albert CHAN and Mr Christopher CHUNG at the meeting on 16 October 2012. Members are concerned about the noise impact on existing roads, particularly at Texaco Road, and the noise problem caused by railways. Members would like to be briefed on the progress of the noise mitigation measures taken to address the traffic noise problem, including the retrofitting of noise barriers.

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).

13. Banning of commercial fishing in marine parks

April 2013 (tentative)

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 initiatives to ban commercial fishing in marine parks.

14. Outlying Islands sewerage, stage 2 – Lamma village sewerage phase 2

April 2013 (tentative)

To part-upgrade **355DS** - Lamma village sewerage phase 2 to Category A.

15. External lighting in Hong Kong

May 2013 (tentative)

Members would like to be briefed on the operation of the Guidelines on Industry Best Practices for External Lighting Installations, as well as the latest progress of the way forward, including legislative proposals, in tackling nuisance caused by external lighting.

16. Impact of dumping and dredging on the marine environment

May/June 2013 (tentative)

Raised by Mr Christopher CHUNG, Mr Albert CHAN and Mr Steven HO at the meeting on 16 October 2012. Members are concerned about the impact of dumping of mud and waste (e.g. used syringes thrown out from vessels) as well as dredging works (particularly those in relation cross-boundary construction projects) on the marine environment, and request the Administration to explore ways to address the problem.

17. Impact of submarine engineering works on marine ecology

May/June 2013 (tentative)

Raised by Mr Christopher CHUNG at the meeting on 16 October 2012. Members are concerned about the impact of submarine engineering works, including the laying of submarine cables, on marine ecology and would like to be briefed on the corresponding measures taken by the Administration.

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

18. Upgrading the diesel standard for local vessels

June 2013 (tentative)

To brief the Panel on the upgrading of the diesel standard for local vessels.

19. Review of the environmental impact assessment mechanism and Air Quality Objectives

June 2013 (tentative)

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

As suggested by Mr CHAN Hak-kan at the meeting on 16 October 2012, members would like to be briefed on the review of Air Quality Objectives.

20. Nature conservation policy

June 2013 (tentative)

Raised by Dr Kenneth CHAN at the meeting on 16 October 2012. Members would like to be briefed on the latest development on the nature conservation policy.

21. Comprehensively improving the water quality of the Victoria Harbour

To be confirmed

To follow up the motion on "Comprehensively improving the water quality of the Victoria Harbour", which was passed at the LegCo meeting on 16 November 2011.

22. Building Energy Efficiency Funding Schemes

To be confirmed

To inform the Panel of the outcome of the schemes and way forward to promote energy efficiency in buildings.

23. Consultation report on Hong Kong's Climate Change Strategy and Action Agenda

To be confirmed

Members wish to be briefed on the outcome of consultation on Hong Kong's Climate Change Strategy and Action Agenda.

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