Panel on Economic Development

List of outstanding items for discussion

(position as at 6 December 2013)

Proposed timing for discussion

1. Proposed establishment of a Maritime and Aviation Training Fund

To consult the Panel on the proposed establishment of a \$100-million fund to support the manpower training of the maritime and aviation industries.

16 December 2013

2. Replacement of four patrol launches for Harbour Patrol Services

To apply for funding to replace the four patrol launches for maintaining an effective marine patrol service in the waters of Hong Kong. 16 December 2013

3. Competition (Amendment) Bill

To brief members on the proposed amendments to the Competition Ordinance (Cap. 619) and consequential amendments to other Ordinances to provide the powers necessary for the functioning of the Competition Tribunal.

16 December 2013

4. Briefings by Bureau Secretaries on relevant policy initiatives in the Chief Executive's 2014 Policy Address

Secretaries of the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau, the Transport and Housing Bureau, and the Environment Bureau will brief the Panel on relevant policy initiatives in the Chief Executive's 2014 Policy Address.

January 2014

5. Hong Kong Tourism Board Work Plan for 2014-2015

To present the work plan of the Hong Kong Tourism Board for 2014-2015 and brief the Panel on the overview of Hong Kong tourism industry in 2013 and the outlook of 2014.

February 2014

6. Update on Hong Kong Disneyland

To update members on the operation of Hong Kong Disneyland in 2012-2013.

February 2014

7. Update on follow-up actions arising from the Report of the Commission of Inquiry into the Collision of Vessels near Lamma Island on 1 October 2012

To brief members about the proposed measures that require legislative amendments.

February 2014

8. Salvage, removal and disposal of the wreck "興海 668" and its cargo of steel plate

The Mainland cargo vessel sank near the busy East Lamma Channel on 21 October 2008. To apply for funding to carry out the works for the salvage, removal and disposal of the wreck of "興海 668" and its cargo of steel plate.

To be confirmed

9. Hong Kong Disneyland Hotel Development

To update members on the in-principle agreement reached between the Administration and the Walt Disney Company in respect of a new hotel development at Hong Kong Disneyland. First quarter of 2014

10. Extension of a supernumerary Administrative Officer Staff Grade C (D2) post holding the post of Assistant Commissioner for Tourism (4) (AC(T)4) in the Tourism Commission created up to 31 December 2014 for three years from 1 January 2015 to 31 December 2017

The AC(T)4 is responsible for providing policy input and co-ordination in promoting the development of cruise tourism in Hong Kong and for overseeing the development and operation of the Hong Kong Disneyland, including its future explanation plans. To sustain Hong Kong's position as a leading tourist destination, the Administration considers that there is an operational need to extend the post of AC(T)4 for three years from 1 January 2015 to 31 December 2017.

Second quarter of 2014

11. Proposed amendments to the civil aviation legislation relating to the investigation of accidents

To brief members on the proposed legislative amendments which seek to implement the latest requirements promulgated by the International Civil Aviation Organization.

Second quarter of 2014

12. Lei Yue Mun Waterfront Enhancement Project

To consult members on the project to enhance the attractiveness of Lei Yue Mun (LYM) as a popular tourism spot through further improving the facilities along the LYM waterfront area.

Second or third quarter of 2014

13. Implementation of the Trade Descriptions (Unfair Trade Practices) (Amendment) Ordinance 2012

To report on the progress of the implementation of the Trade Descriptions (Unfair Trade Practices) (Amendment) Ordinance 2012 since its commencement on 19 July 2013.

Second or third quarter of 2014

14. Updates on the Third Runway Project in the Hong Kong International Airport

To update the Panel on the progress of the statutory environmental impact assessments (EIA), scheme designs, funding proposals as well as public engagement initiatives in relation to the Third Runway Project.

Second or third quarter of 2014

Hon LEE Wing-tat proposed that the Scheme of Airport Charges should be improved with a view to minimizing the noise impact of aircraft on the neighbourhood of the Hong Kong International Airport. The Administration has proposed to discuss the matter together with the updates on the proposed Third Runway Project when more information on the EIA is available.

15. Update on the operation of the Kai Tak Cruise Terminal

Proposed by Hon Ronny TONG at the meeting on 10 October 2013. The Administration's paper (LC Paper No. CB(1)374/13-14(01) providing updates on the operation of the Kai Tak Cruise Terminal including the Administration's

To be confirmed

Proposed timing for discussion

response to the concern of Friends of the Earth (HK) and Clean Air Network about the facilities for on-shore power at the Terminal in their submission (LC Paper No. CB(1)157/13-14(01)) was issued on 21 November 2013.

16. Overall planning of tourism infrastructures and relevant support measures

At the meeting of the Panel on Development on 14 October 2010, Hon Paul TSE cited the effort of the government of Singapore in the development of Sentosa into a tourist attraction and commented that the Administration should take the lead in the overall planning of tourism infrastructure in Hong Kong.

To be confirmed

The Chairman of the Panel on Economic Development in the 2011-2012 session agreed to include the item in this list as planning of tourism infrastructure is led by the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau.

The Administration has been requested to report on the progress in developing new tourist attractions and, where appropriate, on measures being taken to address concerns about taxi scams, the operation of the SkyPier and the Security Bureau's Outbound Travel Alert System.

At the meeting on 16 October 2012, Hon CHAN Han-pan requested that the Administration should provide information on the development of ancillary facilities for the various tourist spots.

The Administration advised that it would include details of the relevant ancillary facilities when it briefed the Panel on individual tourism projects, e.g. the cruise terminal at Kai Tak, the Ocean Park and Hong Kong Disneyland projects.

17. Ocean Park's admission price adjustment

Hon TANG Ka-piu wrote to the Panel Chairman on 3 July 2013 expressing concern about the admission price adjustment of the Ocean Park and the Administration provided a written response to the letter on 16 July 2013 (LC Papers Nos.

To be confirmed

Proposed timing for discussion

CB(1)1554/12-13(01) and (02) respectively). The Panel agreed to include the item in this list at the meeting on 22 July 2013.

18. Licensing and regulation of low cost carriers

Proposed by Hon Dennis KWOK at the meeting on 10 October 2013. The Administration's paper in respect of the operation of low-cost carriers in Hong Kong (LC Paper No. CB(1)1809/12-13(02)) provided in response to Hon KWOK's earlier letter on the subject was issued on 18 September 2013.

To be confirmed

19. Logistics development

At the meeting on 28 March 2011, Hon Miriam LAU requested the Administration to brief the Panel on the implementation of the National Twelfth Five-year (12-5) Plan, in particular further development of Hong Kong as a shipping centre and logistics hub.

To be confirmed (See Note)

At the meeting on 13 October 2011, Hon Miriam LAU expressed concern about the slow progress in developing the logistics cluster in Kwai Tsing area as reported in the 2011-2012 Policy Address.

At the meeting on 16 October 2012, Hon Michael TIEN requested that the Administration should provide information on the comparison of the logistics facilities of Hong Kong and other cities in the Pearl River Delta.

(Note: The Administration has suggested that issues under this item be discussed after the findings of the Study on the Strategic Development Plan for Hong Kong Port 2030 and feasibility study for the proposed development of Container Terminal 10 at Southwest Tsing Yi are available.)

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