Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene

List of follow-up actions

(position as at 7 January 2014)

	Subject	Date of meeting	Follow-up action required	Administration's response
1.	Enforcement actions under the Places of Public Entertainment Ordinance (Cap. 172)	21 June 2010 (special meeting)	 The Administration was requested to provide - (a) the details of the legal advice sought from the Department of Justice regarding the applicability of the Places of Public Entertainment Ordinance (Cap. 172), including what the legal advice was, in what way and when the legal advice was provided, as well as the capacity of the public officer who provided the legal advice; (b) a chronology of events relating to the operations, including the course of actions taken on the date when the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department ("FEHD") learnt about the organizers' intention to display some exhibits at Times Square; 	Response from the Home Affairs Bureau awaited.

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			 (c) a copy of the undertaking that the Police requested the organizers to sign for the returning of the exhibits; and 	
			(d) information on applications for Places of Public Entertainment Licence for the display of art items.	
2.	Regulation of pet trading	16 April 2013	 The Administration was requested to provide written response on - (a) whether the maximum number of Animal Breeder Licence Category A and Animal Breeder Licence Category B would be specified in the legislative proposal; and (b) whether the Administration would require hobby breeders to complete relevant training programmes before approving their applications for licences. 	Response from the Administration awaited.
3.	Inspection on liquor-licensed premises	13 June 2013	The Administration was requested to provide information on the number of prosecutions that the number of persons	-

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			on the liquor-licensed premises had exceeded the capacity limit.	
4.	Problem of the proliferation of flies	12 November 2013	 The Administration was requested to provide information on - (a) the inspection pattern of FEHD in Leung King Estate, Sam Shing Estate and Butterfly Estate in Tuen Mun; and (b) the number of cases of cholera, dysentery and food poisoning over the past five years. 	The Chinese version and English version of the Administration's response were issued to members vide LC Paper Nos. CB(2)463/13-14 and CB(2)525/13-14 respectively on 9 December and 13 December 2013.
5.	Manpower situation in the Centre for Food Safety ("CFS")	12 November 2013	The Administration was requested to provide a breakdown on the number of staff by ranks in CFS deployed for undertaking duties related to food safety.	1
6.	Regulation of private columbaria	19 November 2013 (special meeting)	The Administration was requested to provide - (a) information about when the business impact assessment ("BIA") study on the regulation of private columbaria was commissioned and would be completed;	Response from the Administration awaited.

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		(b) the BIA study report to the Panel once available; and	
		 (c) written response to the questions raised by deputations at the special meeting on - 	
		 (i) whether the Administration would require all columbaria to comply with the users restrictions in land leases and the statutory town planning requirements before the new ordinance came into operation; 	
		(ii) whether the Administration would consider the suggestion of shortening the proposed 18-month transitional period;	
		(iii) whether and when the Administration would make public the BIA study report; and if so, whether it would contain information on the number of operators of private columbaria (including those not identified on the List	

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		published by the Development Bureau) and the number of niches they provided (with a breakdown of the numbers of niches sold and unsold);	
		(iv) what were the criteria adopted by the consultant to divide the operators of private columbaria into three categories, namely large, medium and small- sized operators in the BIA study;	
		 (v) whether the Lands Department would take law enforcement action against the unauthorized occupation of Government land for columbarium use by the Gig Lok Monastery; and 	
		(vi) whether the Town Planning Board would consider adopting measures to tackle the delaying tactics of applicants.	

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7.	Review of supply chain of powdered formula	10 December 2013	The Administration was requested to provide information on the fees of the Consultant tasked to review the trade's measures to improve the supply chain of powdered formula.	-
8.	Proposed measures for compliance with fire safety requirements by food premises	10 December 2013	The Administration undertook to provide the Panel with the guidelines for implementing the proposed measures for operators of food premises before implementation.	Response from the Administration awaited.
9.	Review on small volume exemption fees	10 December 2013	The Administration was requested to provide a breakdown on the number of pre-packaged food products which applied for small volume exemption by food categories/types.	-

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