

**Panel on Education**  
**List of outstanding items for discussion**  
(Position as at 6 November 2014)

Proposed timing  
for discussion

**Post-secondary education**

**1. Progress on various initiatives to broaden the opportunities for local students to receive subsidized higher education**

Item proposed by Dr Hon Kenneth CHAN, Hon Charles MOK and Dr Hon Helena WONG. The Panel had discussed issues relating to this subject, including scholarship schemes and Study Subsidy Scheme for Designated Professions/Sectors, at its meetings on 10 June 2013, 27 January and 14 April 2014.

To be  
confirmed

**2. Provision of financial assistance to post-secondary students**

Item proposed by Hon IP Kin-yuen.

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(proposed by the  
Administration)

**3. Admission to University Grants Committee("UGC")-funded institutions through the Joint University Programmes Admission System ("JUPAS") and non-JUPAS routes and to UGC-funded post-graduate programmes**

Item proposed by Hon IP Kin-yuen, Hon Gary FAN and Dr Hon Helena WONG. At its meeting on 10 February 2014, the Panel had discussed issues relating to admission of students under the non-Joint University Programmes Admission System and of non-local students to publicly-funded postgraduate programmes.

To be  
confirmed

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| <b>4. Policy on funding support provided to post-secondary institutions by the University Grants Committee and the Research Grants Council</b>   |                                   |
| Dr Hon Helena WONG proposed that the Panel should arrange a meeting to receive views from deputations.   | To be confirmed                   |
| <b>5. Policy on the provision of publicly-funded associate degree programmes</b>   |                                   |
| Dr Hon Kenneth CHAN was concerned about the discontinuation of certain Higher Diploma programmes offered by Hong Kong Polytechnic University.  | To be confirmed                   |
| <b>6. Issues related to the provision of programme places by publicly-funded post secondary institutions, the level of tuition fees, and the composition of their governing bodies</b>   |                                   |
| Item proposed by Hon IP Kin-yuen and Dr Hon Kenneth CHAN.  | To be confirmed                   |
| <b>7. Policy on the development and provision of premises and hostels for post-secondary institutions</b>  |                                   |
| Item proposed by Dr Hon Kenneth CHAN. Issues related to this subject had been discussed on 30 May 2013 and 13 January 2014 when the Panel discussed financial proposals to provide start-up loans for post-secondary education providers. At its meetings on 11 March and 10 June 2013, the Panel had also discussed issues relating to the existing policy on the use of land for education purposes. | To be confirmed                   |
| <b>8. The appointment and extension of appointment of teaching staff in publicly-funded post-secondary institutions</b>  |                                   |
| Item proposed by Dr Hon Helena WONG.   | To be confirmed                   |

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for discussion

**Secondary and primary education**

**9. Review of the New Senior Secondary Curriculum and Assessment and related issues**

Item proposed by Hon IP Kin-yuen. The subject was last discussed on 9 June 2014.

To be  
confirmed

**10. Decline in secondary student population and related issues, including small class teaching and class-to-teacher ratio in secondary schools**

Item proposed by Hon IP Kin-yuen and Hon Abraham SHEK. The subject on Measures to address issues arising from the drop in secondary student population was last discussed on 18 March 2014. Issues related to the class-to-teacher ratio and teacher-to-student ratio had been discussed on 10 and 22 June 2013, while issues related to small class teaching had been discussed at several meetings including those held on 2 and 3 November 2012 and 17 April 2013.

To be  
confirmed

**11. Issues related to Primary One school places and primary class size**

Item proposed by Hon IP Kin-yuen. The Panel had discussed issues related to increasing the number of students allocated to each Primary One class on 12 May and 16 July 2014.

To be  
confirmed

**12. Issues arising from cross-boundary students and the feasibility of establishing publicly-funded schools in Shenzhen offering the Hong Kong curriculum for children born in Hong Kong but residing in Shenzhen**

Item proposed by Hon Michael TIEN and Hon IP Kin-yuen. The Panel had discussed issues relating to cross-boundary students at a number of meetings during the last two sessions when the provision of school places and school place allocation of kindergartens, primary schools

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confirmed

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and secondary schools were discussed on 7 February, 9 July and 28 October 2013, and 12 May 2014.

**13. Class-to-teacher ratio and staff establishment in primary schools**

Item proposed by Dr Hon LAM Tai-fai and Hon IP Kin-yuen. Issues related to the class-to-teacher ratio and teacher-to-student ratio had been discussed on 10 and 22 June 2013.

To be  
confirmed

**14. Review on the implementation of Territory-wide System Assessment**

Item proposed by Hon IP Kin-yuen. The subject was last discussed on 13 January 2014.

To be  
confirmed

**15. Review on the policy for Direct Subsidy Scheme schools**

Item proposed by Hon Michael TIEN, Dr Hon Helena WONG and Hon IP Kin-yuen. The subject was last discussed on 13 January 2014.

To be  
confirmed

**16. Standard of school premises and upgrading of facilities of special schools**

Item proposed by Hon Cyd HO. At its meeting on 9 June 2014, the Panel had discussed issues related to the policy and programme on redevelopment of primary and secondary schools and special schools.

To be  
confirmed

**17. Review on the subvention arrangements for the English Schools Foundation**

After the Administration had reported the progress of the review to the Panel on 9 July 2013, Dr Hon Kenneth CHAN wrote to the Chairman on 12 July 2013 proposing that the Panel should arrange a meeting to receive views

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confirmed

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for discussion

from stakeholders.

**18. Implementation of civic education**

Item proposed by Hon IP Kin-yuen.

To be  
confirmed

**IT in education**

**19. Progress of implementing the Support Scheme on e-Learning in Schools and the e-Textbook Market Development Scheme**

Item proposed by Hon Michael TIEN, Hon Charles MOK and Hon IP Kin-yuen. Issues related to the Support Scheme on e-Learning in Schools, e-Textbook Market Development Scheme and implementation of IT education had been discussed on 9 December 2013 and 9 June 2014 when the Panel discussed the subjects on supporting schools to adopt e-textbook to facilitate learning and teaching and the Fourth Strategy on Information Technology in Education.

To be  
confirmed

**Issues related to the learning of Chinese and English**

**20. Chinese learning for ethnic minorities and non-Chinese speaking students**

Item proposed by Dr Hon Helena WONG and Hon IP Kin-yuen. The Panel had discussed issues relating to enhanced Chinese learning and teaching for non-Chinese speaking students and the Chinese Language Curriculum Second Language Learning Framework on 14 April and 16 July 2014.

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**21. Policy on the Teaching of Chinese Language subject in Putonghua**

Item proposed by Hon Gary FAN.

To be  
confirmed

**22. Issues related to English proficiency of students and the policies on the teaching and learning of English**

At the meeting on 16 October 2012, it was agreed that the Panel would discuss matters related to English proficiency of students and the policies on the teaching and learning of English.

To be  
confirmed

**Issues related to the teaching force**

**23. Employment opportunities for young teachers**

Item proposed by Hon IP Kin-yuen. Issues related to employment opportunities for young teachers had been discussed on 10 and 22 June 2013 when the Panel discussed teachers employed on fixed-term contracts and the class-to-teacher ratio in secondary schools.

To be  
confirmed

**Others**

**24. Review of the implementation of vocational education in Hong Kong**

Item proposed by Hon WONG Kwok-hing and Hon IP Kin-yuen.

To be  
confirmed

**25. Policy framework for parent education**

Item proposed by Hon Michael TIEN.

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confirmed

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**26. The existing education system [*and the future of Hong Kong*]**

Dr Hon Helena WONG proposed that the Panel should arrange a meeting to receive views from students. The part in italics falls outside the purview of the Panel.

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confirmed

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