Panel on Economic Development

List of outstanding items for discussion

(position as at 21 October 2014)

Proposed timing for discussion

1. Subsidiary legislation proposals under the Competition Ordinance

November 2014

The Administration will brief the Panel on its plan to introduce subsidiary legislation proposals which are necessary before the full commencement of the Competition Ordinance.

2 Draft guidelines made under the Competition Ordinance

November 2014

The Competition Commission will brief the Panel on its work of seeking public comments on the draft guidelines made under the Competition Ordinance.

3. Subsidiary legislation to implement International Maritime Convention

December 2014

The Administration will brief Panel members on legislative proposals to make/amend four regulations under the Merchant Shipping (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Ordinance (Cap. 413) to implement: (i) amendments to Annexes I, IV and V to the "International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978 relating thereto" and (ii) the "International Convention on the Control of Harmful Anti-fouling System on Ships, 2001".

4. Annual tariff reviews with the two power companies

December 2014

Pursuant to the Scheme of Control Agreements ("SCAs") with the two power companies, a tariff review will be conducted by the Government and the respective power company towards the end of each year. The two power companies will announce their tariff for 2015 after the review and explain their cases to the Panel if there is any adjustment.

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

Fourth quarter of 2014

The Mainland cargo vessel "興海 668" sank near the busy East Lamma Channel on 21 October 2008. Panel members will be briefed on the 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.

As agreed at the work plan meeting of the Panel held on 16 October 2014, this item will be removed from the list subject to the result of a tender exercise.

6. The development plan for Hong Kong Port ("HKP") and related port enhancement measures

End 2014/ first quarter of 2015

Consultants have largely completed the two consultancy studies viz "Preliminary Feasibility Study for Container Terminal 10 at Southwest Tsing Yi" and the "Study on the Strategic Development Plan of Hong Kong Port (HKP) 2030". The Administration will brief the Panel on the recommendations of the studies and the development plan for HKP, including enhancement measures for existing port facilities, the review of port back-up land and barge berthing provisions at Kwai Tsing Container Port, with a view to enhancing the overall competitiveness of the HKP.

7. Logistics development

End 2014 / first quarter of 2015

Proposed for discussion by the then Hon Miriam LAU at the meeting on 28 March 2011. She also expressed concern about the slow progress in developing the logistics cluster in Kwai Tsing area at the meeting on 13 October 2011.

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. The Administration agrees to brief the Panel in due course after the findings of the Study on the Strategic Development Plan for Hong Kong Port 2030 and preliminary feasibility study for the proposed development of Container Terminal 10 at Southwest Tsing Yi are available.

8. Updates on the development of the Three-Runway System ("3RS") at Hong Kong International Airport

First quarter of 2015

The Administration will brief the Panel on the latest development of the 3RS project, including the outcome of the relevant planning work i.e. the statutory Environmental Impact Assessment, design details and financial arrangement.

9. Briefings by the Bureau Directors concerned on relevant policy initiatives in the Chief Executive's 2015 Policy Address

January 2015

The Administration will brief the Panel on relevant policy initiatives in the Chief Executive's 2015 Policy Address.

10. Hong Kong Tourism Board Work Plan for 2015-2016

February 2015

The Hong Kong Tourism Board will present its work plan for 2015-2016 and brief the Panel on the overview of Hong Kong tourism industry in 2014 and the outlook of 2015.

11. Update on Hong Kong Disneyland

February 2015

The Hong Kong Disneyland will update the Panel on its operations for the fiscal year 2014.

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

Second quarter of 2015

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

13. Future development of the electricity market in Hong Kong

First half of 2015

The current SCAs signed between the Government and the two power companies will expire in 2018. The Government will consult the public on the future development of the electricity market in Hong Kong.

14. Proposed establishment of a new statutory body to provide dedicated resources for promoting the development of the maritime industry in Hong Kong

Second quarter / third quarter of 2015

With regard to a consultancy recommendation that Hong Kong should set up a new statutory body with dedicated resources for promoting the development of the maritime industry in Hong Kong, the Administration will brief Panel members on the latest progress on the formulation of specific functions, structure and financing arrangement for the proposed body.

15. Outcome of the review on Public Cargo Working Areas

July 2015

The Administration will brief Panel members on the progress of the review on Public Cargo Working Areas conducted by the Marine Department, and propose the next steps of work.

16. Purchase of air traffic management system Autotrac 3 by the Civil Aviation Department

To be confirmed

Proposed by Hon Albert CHAN at the meeting on 26 May 2014. The Administration's response (LC Paper No. CB(1)1898/13-14(01) to the submission dated 23 May 2014 from a member of the public (LC Paper No. CB(1)1620/13-14(01)) expressing views on the subject was issued to members on 4 August 2014. As agreed at the work plan meeting of the Panel held on 16 October 2014, this item will be removed from the list.

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

To be confirmed

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

18. Lei Yue Mun Waterfront Enhancement Project

To be confirmed

The Administration will 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.

19. Overall planning of tourism infrastructures and relevant support measures

To be confirmed

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.

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 the Administration to 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 Kai Tak Cruise Terminal, the Ocean Park and Hong Kong Disneyland projects.

20. Ocean Park's admission price adjustment

To be confirmed

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. 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.

Proposed timing for discussion

21. Licensing and regulation of low cost carriers

To be confirmed

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. As agreed at the work plan meeting of the Panel held on 16 October 2014, this item will be removed from the list.

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