

Panel on Housing

**List of outstanding items for discussion
(Position as at 4 December 2015)**

**Proposed timing for
discussion**

1. Update on the Drainage Ambassador Scheme

January 2016

At the Panel meeting on 15 October 2015, Hon LEE Cheuk-yan requested the Administration to update the Panel on implementation of the Drainage Ambassador Scheme ("the Scheme"). He also expressed concern on the number of public housing estates where communal drainage pipes were shared with adjacent units and where replacement of galvanized iron drainage pipes by copper pipes was suspended following implementation of the Scheme in 2003.

2. Work of the Hong Kong Housing Society

January 2016

At the work plan meeting on 28 October 2015, members requested to discuss the Hong Kong Housing Society ("HKHS")'s mechanism for setting and adjusting domestic rents and for providing needy tenants with rental assistance. Members also expressed concern about the implementation of HKHS's various elderly housing schemes and the subsidized sale housing schemes which the Government invited HKHS to develop in 2013.

Referral from the Public Complaints Office regarding the concern of 觀龍樓居民租金關注組 on the possible rental adjustment to be implemented by HKHS (LC Paper No. CB(1)88/15-16(01) issued on 30 October 2015).

3. The Long Term Housing Strategy Annual Progress Report

February 2016

The Administration would like to brief members on the latest implementation of key aspects of the Long Term Housing Strategy as at December 2015.

4. Findings of the Review Committee on Quality Assurance Issues Relating to Fresh Water Supply of Public Housing Estates of the Hong Kong Housing Authority

February 2016

The Administration would like to brief members on the relevant findings.

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5. **Head 711 project no. B777CL-1 and B783CL – Infrastructure works for development at Lin Cheung Road, Sham Shui Po and Queen's Hill, Fanling** March 2016

The Administration would like to seek the Panel's support to seek endorsement from the Public Works Subcommittee in April 2016 and obtain funds from the Finance Committee in May 2016 for upgrading the infrastructure works to Category A to tie in with the development at Lin Cheung Road, Sham Shui Po and Queen's Hill, Fanling.

6. **Review of income and asset limits for public rental housing for 2016-17** March 2016

The Hong Kong Housing Authority ("HA") reviews the income and asset limits for public rental housing applications every year in accordance with the established mechanism to keep abreast with the prevailing socio-economic circumstances. Following established practice, the Administration will report the findings to the Panel and reflect members' comments to the Subsidised Housing Committee of HA.

7. **Head 711 project – Sports Centre at Choi Wing Road, Kwun Tong** April 2016

The Administration would like to seek the Panel's support to seek endorsement from the Public Works Subcommittee in May 2016 and obtain funds from the Finance Committee in June 2016 for upgrading the Sports Centre works to Category A to tie in with the public housing development at Choi Wing Road.

8. **Head 711 project no. B187TB – Footbridge improvement works at Siu Hong Road, Tuen Mun** April 2016

The Administration would like to seek the Panel's support to seek endorsement from the Public Works Subcommittee in May 2016 and obtain funds from the Finance Committee in June 2016 for upgrading the footbridge improvement works to Category A to meet the increasing pedestrian demand arising from the public housing development at Tuen Mun.

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9. Head 711 project no. B722CL-1 – Demolition and ground decontamination works for development at North West Kowloon Reclamation Site 1, Sham Shui Po – Phase 1

April 2016

The Administration would like to seek the Panel's support to seek endorsement from the Public Works Subcommittee in May 2016 and obtain funds from the Finance Committee in June 2016 for upgrading the demolition and ground decontamination works to Category A to tie in with the public housing development at North West Kowloon Reclamation Site 1, Sham Shui Po.

10. The work of the Sales of First-hand Residential Properties Authority

May 2016

The Administration would like to update members on the implementation of the Residential Properties (First hand Sales) Ordinance (Cap. 621) and the work of the Sales of First-hand Residential Properties Authority.

11. The demolition of Shek Lei Interim Housing

May 2016

At the Panel meeting on 15 October 2015, Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung requested the Administration to consult the Panel prior to taking forward its plan to demolish the Shek Lei Interim Housing.

12. Progress of the Total Maintenance Scheme

June 2016

The Administration would like to brief members on the latest progress of the Total Maintenance Scheme.

13. Marking Scheme for Estate Management Enforcement in Public Housing Estate

June 2016

The Administration would like to brief members on the latest progress and effectiveness of the Marking Scheme.

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14. Performance of the environmental targets and initiatives of the Hong Kong Housing Authority in 2015-16

July 2016

The Administration would like to update members on the performance of the Hong Kong Housing Authority in respect of its environmental targets and initiatives in 2015-16.

15. Rent review of public rental housing

Mid-2016

In accordance with the Housing Ordinance (Cap. 283), the Hong Kong Housing Authority conducts a review of the rent of public rental housing every two years. The next review will be conducted in 2016. Following established practice, the Administration will inform members of the result of the review.

16. Measures to cater for the needs of elderly tenants by the Hong Kong Housing Authority

To be confirmed

The Administration would like to brief members on various measures by the Hong Kong Housing Authority to cater for the needs of elderly tenants.

At the work plan meeting on 28 October 2015, members requested the Administration to give a combined introduction on the ways in which the above measures could facilitate the indoor and outdoor activities of the elderly who were infirm or with disabilities. Members also wished to be briefed on the latest progress on handling the Housing for Senior Citizens Type 1 design.

17. Policies on tackling under-occupation in public rental housing estates and overcrowding relief measures

To be confirmed

At the work plan meeting on 27 November 2014, members requested the Administration to review the policies, standards and measures of under-occupation in public rental housing estates, and the enforcement of which may lead to overcrowding in cases of changes in family circumstances, and to report to the Panel.

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18. Review of the "Well-off Tenants Policies"

To be confirmed

Arising from the discussion at the Panel meeting on 1 November 2010 on "Stepped-up checking of household income and assets of public rental housing tenants", members considered that the Administration should review the policy on Safeguarding Rational Allocation of Public Housing Resources lest this might force grown-up children to move out from their parents' public rental housing units.

At the Panel meeting on 10 October 2013, members expressed the view that the income and asset limits under the "Well-off Tenants Policies" should be reviewed to ensure that they were in step with current situation in the market and society, and to safeguard the rational allocation of public housing resources.

19. Policy on the redevelopment of old public rental housing estates

To be confirmed

At the work plan meeting on 25 October 2012, members requested the Administration to consider formulating a policy on redeveloping old public rental housing estates.

In her letter dated 3 April 2014, Hon Alice MAK Mei-kuen requested the Administration to brief the Panel on the progress made in studying the redevelopment potential of Kwai Shing West Estate and related matters, such as the redevelopment proposal and rehousing arrangements (LC Paper No. CB(1)1206/13-14(01) issued on 4 April 2014).

20. Weak water pressure for supplying water to public housing flats

To be confirmed

In his letter dated 11 September 2015, Hon KWOK Wai-keung requested the Administration to brief the Panel on the cause for weak water pressure for supplying water to public housing flats, and the improvement measures conducted/to be conducted (LC Paper No. CB(1)1237/14-15(01) issued on 14 September 2015).

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discussion**

21. Design of new public rental housing flats

To be confirmed

At the Panel meeting on 15 October 2015, Hon Frederick FUNG Kin-kee requested to be briefed on the Administration's latest position in respect of the concern on the general reduction in the size of new and redeveloped public rental housing flats.

22. Briefing on various housing schemes

To be confirmed

At the Panel meeting on 15 October 2015, Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip requested to be briefed on the latest development of and application figures for various housing schemes, including express flat allocation, overcrowding relief, transfer, etc.

23. Sale of public rental housing

To be confirmed

At the Panel meeting on 15 October 2015, Hon LEUNG Che-cheung requested to receive a briefing on the Government's policy direction as well as the management issues encountered in implementing the existing public rental housing flat sale schemes.