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Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Bazaars

**Minutes of the fourth meeting on
Saturday, 21 January 2017, at 9:00 am
in Conference Room 1 of the Legislative Council Complex**

Members present : Dr Hon LAU Siu-lai (Chairman)
Dr Hon KWOK Ka-ki (Deputy Chairman)
Hon James TO Kun-sun
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon WONG Ting-kwong, SBS, JP
Hon LEUNG Kwok-hung
Hon Claudia MO
Hon YIU Si-wing, BBS
Hon CHAN Chi-chuen
Hon CHAN Han-pan, JP
Hon Kenneth LEUNG
Hon Alice MAK Mei-kuen, BBS, JP
Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung
Hon Martin LIAO Cheung-kong, SBS, JP
Hon Andrew WAN Siu-kin
Hon CHU Hoi-dick
Hon HO Kai-ming
Hon Holden CHOW Ho-ding
Hon SHIU Ka-fai
Hon SHIU Ka-chun
Hon Wilson OR Chong-shing, MH
Hon LUK Chung-hung
Hon KWONG Chun-yu
Hon Jeremy TAM Man-ho
Hon Nathan LAW Kwun-chung
Dr Hon YIU Chung-yim

Members absent : Dr Hon Priscilla LEUNG Mei-fun, SBS, JP
Hon Steven HO Chun-yin, BBS
Hon LEUNG Che-cheung, BBS, MH, JP
Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan, JP
Hon Jimmy NG Wing-ka, JP
Hon Tanya CHAN
Hon CHEUNG Kwok-kwan, JP
Hon HUI Chi-fung
Hon LAU Kwok-fan, MH

[According to the Judgment of the Court of First Instance of the High Court on 14 July 2017, LEUNG Kwok-hung, Nathan LAW Kwun-chung, YIU Chung-yim and LAU Siu-lai have been disqualified from assuming the office of a member of the Legislative Council, and have vacated the same since 12 October 2016, and are not entitled to act as a member of the Legislative Council.]

Public officers attending : Prof Sophia CHAN, JP
Under Secretary for Food and Health

Miss Diane WONG
Principal Assistant Secretary for Food and Health
(Food) 2

Mr LAM Wing Hong
Assistant Director (Operations)2
Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

Mr FORK Ping-lam
Assistant Director (Operations)3
Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

Miss Maggie CHOW
Assistant Commissioner for Tourism 3
Commerce and Economic Development Bureau

Mr Howard YAM, JP
Assistant Director (3)
Home Affairs Department

Mr CHAN Che-keung
Chief Highway Engineer / Kowloon
Highways Department

Miss Ruth LEE
Senior Estate Surveyor/Special Duties 1 (Estate
Management Section)
Lands Department

**Attendance by
invitation** : **Deputations**

Session 1

The Hong Kong Council of Social Service

Ms WONG Wai-yin
Officer (Policy Research Advocacy)

The Civic Party

Mr YU Tak-po Andy
District Councillor

銅鑼灣渣甸坊市集

Mr LEUNG Ming-yu

Ha Pak Tin Peanuts Alliance

Miss FU Yau Felicia
Chairman

東涌社區發展陣線

趙羨婷小姐

天水圍社區發展陣線

黃穎姿小姐

Supporting Grassroots' Bazaar

伍靜茵小姐

有機墟市聯盟

李大成先生

Individual

曾韋健先生

Individual

吳業康先生

Captain O

Mr LAI Wai-tong
Spokesperson

United Hawkers Development Platform

Mr CHAN Chiu-hang
Member

Individual

Mr WANG Hongyu

欽州街布販市場商販關注組

Mr HO Ying-hoi

Pang Jai Concern Group

Mr TSANG Chiu-man
Member

Momentum 107

Mr HO Raymond
Convenor

Individual

Ms FONG Kwok-shan Christine

Hong Kong Ample Love Society Ltd.

Ms TSANG Cheuk-yi
Chairlady

Demosisto

Mr CHENG Ka-long
Member

Individual

張瑞麗女士

Individual

趙秀霞女士

Individual

黃莉莉女士

Individual

何初寒先生

Individual

黃嘯虎先生

Labour Party

Ms WU Siu-shan
President

Session 2

Liberal Party Youth Committee

Mr CHEUNG King-fan
Chief

Department of Applied Social Sciences, the Hong
Kong Polytechnic University

Dr LEUNG Chi-yuen

基層共同購買網絡

Miss YU Cheuk-lam
Project Organizer

深水埗見光墟關注組

Mr LEE Kwok-kuen
Community Organizer

Individual

潘麗珊女士

North District Employment Concern Group

Ms KWOK Venny
Convener

North District Friends of the Grassroots

Miss ZHONG Caiqun
Member

Northern District Grassroots Welfare Alliance

Mr LAM Hoi-pang
Member

Women's Employment Concern Group

Ms LEE Yuk-mei
Member

Tuen Mun Community Network

Mr WONG Tak-yuen
Community Officer

Individual

Mr LAW Cheuk-yung

North District Market Joint

Mr YU Siu-po Augustine
Representative

葵青基層墟市關注組

Mr LI Ting-fung, Jay

Clerk in attendance : Ms Connie SZETO
Chief Council Secretary (1)4

Staff in attendance : Miss Sharon LO
Senior Council Secretary (1)9

Ms Sharon CHAN
Legislative Assistant (1)4

Ms Vivian CHAN
Clerical Assistant (1)4

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I Meeting arrangements and proposed items for discussion for February to July 2017

(LC Paper No. CB(1)474/16-17(01) — List of proposed items for discussion)

The Chairman said that the schedule of meetings for February to July 2017 and a list of proposed items for discussion had been issued to members before the meeting. Members did not raise questions on the proposed meeting arrangements. The Chairman advised that the next meeting would be held on 21 February, at 8:30 am, to discuss the roles of various departments under the existing policies on bazaars as well as the provision of land for relevant use.

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II Issues relating to markets and wider issues relating to policies on bazaars

Relevant papers

(LC Paper No. CB(1)450/16-17(01) — Paper provided by the Administration

LC Paper No. CB(1)474/16-17(02) — Response from Leisure and Culture Services Department)

Meeting with deputations/individuals and the Administration

Submissions from deputations/individuals attending the meeting

(LC Paper No. CB(1)450/16-17(03) — Submission from Ha Pak Tin Peanuts Alliance (Chinese version only)

LC Paper No. CB(1)450/16-17(04) — Submission from Supporting Grassroots' Bazaar (Chinese version only)

LC Paper No. CB(1)450/16-17(06) — Submission from Mr WANG Hongyu (English version only)

LC Paper No. CB(1)450/16-17(08) — Submission from Momentum 107 (Chinese version only)

LC Paper No. CB(1)474/16-17(03) — Submission from The Hong Kong Council of Social Service (Chinese version only)

LC Paper No. CB(1)474/16-17(04) — Submission from The Civic Party (Chinese version only)

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- LC Paper No. CB(1)481/16-17(01) — Submission from Dr LEUNG Chi-yuen, Department of Applied Social Sciences, the Hong Kong Polytechnic University (Chinese version only)
- LC Paper No. CB(1)481/16-17(02) — Submission from Northern District Grassroots Welfare Alliance (Chinese version only)
- LC Paper No. CB(1)481/16-17(03) — Submission from United Hawkers Development Platform (Chinese version only)
- LC Paper No. CB(1)481/16-17(04) — Submission from a deputation 銅鑼灣渣甸坊市集 (Chinese version only)
- LC Paper No. CB(1)481/16-17(05) — Submission from an individual 羅焯勇先生 (Chinese version only)

Submissions from deputations/individuals not attending the meeting

- (LC Paper No. CB(1)450/16-17(02) — Submission from a general public (Chinese version only)
- LC Paper No. CB(1)450/16-17(05) — Submission from a deputation 廣東大笪地協會 (Chinese version only)
- LC Paper No. CB(1)450/16-17(07) — Submission from an individual Mr YEUNG Harris (Chinese version only)
- LC Paper No. CB(1)450/16-17(09) — Submission from an individual Mr LEE Simon (Chinese version only)

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LC Paper No. CB(1)454/16-17(01) — Submission from 西貢漁民艇仔
乾貨小販 (Chinese version
only))

Follow-up to the meeting on 20 December 2016

(LC Paper No. CB(1)450/16-17(10) — List of follow-up actions arising
from the discussion at the
meeting on 20 December 2016

LC Paper No. CB(1)450/16-17(11) — Administration's response to
issues raised at the meeting on
20 December 2016)

2. The Chairman welcomed representatives of the Administration and deputations/individuals to the meeting and reminded the deputations/individuals that their written submissions and views presented at the meeting would not be covered by the protection and immunity provided under the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382).

Discussion

3. The Subcommittee received views from 38 deputations/individuals attending the meeting, and noted the 16 written submissions provided by deputations/individuals which/who had not attended the meeting (Index of proceedings attached at **Appendix**).

(Post-meeting note: Five written submissions tabled at the meeting (Chinese version only) were issued to members vide Lotus Notes e-mail on 23 January 2017.)

4. The Subcommittee noted the following views expressed by deputations and individuals –

Policies on bazaars and the relevant application procedures

- (a) the development of bazaars could help diversify local economy, promote development of specific industries (e.g. the clothing industry), develop social network, and provide a means for the grass-root people (e.g. family carers and elderly people) to support their living and shop for basic necessities at affordable way;

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- (b) the current bazaar application procedures were complicated and processing of applications took a long time. The Government should develop transparent procedures and consultation platforms, devise guidelines and assessment criteria for processing bazaar applications, including the criteria adopted by various departments in determining whether a site was suitable for setting up bazaars;
- (c) the Government should formulate long-term policies on bazaar and hawker, and work out relevant timetables for implementation;
- (d) the Government should identify suitable public spaces (including those in public rental housing estates) for setting up bazaars in consultation with the local communities and relevant District Councils ("DCs") and compile a list of suitable sites for information of the public;
- (e) the Government should attempt to organize different types of bazaars (e.g. arts fairs, farmers' bazaars, etc.) in various districts, allow the selling of cooked food and fresh food in bazaars, convert the sites used for Lunar New Year ("LNY") Fairs for setting up bazaars during the LNY period, and promote bazaars to tourists;
- (f) while the use of "naked flame" was allowed in Poon Choi feasts, the Government should explain the rationale for not allowing such use in bazaars;
- (g) the Government should allow setting up bazaars at locations with high visitor flow, such as Maple Street Playground in Sham Shui Po;
- (h) bazaar organizers had encountered difficulties in applying to the Leisure and Cultural Services Department for setting up bazaars at leisure venues (as bazaars were regarded a non-designated use of leisure venues). The reasons for rejecting bazaar applications included complaints from local communities, the use of venues should not be on a recurrent basis, etc.;
- (i) it was unclear whether bazaars could be set up in public spaces in public rental housing estates as commercial/advertisement activities and activities with cash transactions were not allowed at such spaces, and consent from other private owners (e.g. the Link Real Estate Investment Trust) would also be required;

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- (j) an inter-bureaux/departmental task force or communication platform should be established to facilitate interested parties in making applications for setting up bazaars;

Hawker-related issues

- (k) the Government should review the policies on hawker licences, and consider issuing new hawker licences (including itinerant hawker licences) and "Dai Pai Tong" licences;
- (l) the Government should consider allowing licensees to transfer hawker licences to their assistants in order to resolve the "succession problem";
- (m) owing to the improper registration and verification processes, 17 persons who had been operating in the Yen Chow Street Temporary Hawker Bazaar ("cloth bazaar") were excluded from the list of registered unlicensed operators; and
- (n) the Government should consider developing the new Tung Chau Street cloth market into a community fabric and fashion hub, with some Blocks reserved for relocating the existing cloth hawkers from the cloth bazaar and converting some Blocks into a "co-working space" for use by parties interested to join the fabric and fashion industries. The proposal would help promote the development of local creative industries.

Motions

5. At 12:24 pm, the Chairman informed that she had received four motions respectively from Mr Andrew WAN, Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung, Ms Claudia MO and Mr Nathan LAW. The Chairman considered the motions directly related to the subject under discussion. Members had no objection to the Subcommittee proceeding with the motions. The Chairman invited the four members to speak on their motions in turn.

6. Mr Andrew WAN spoke on his motion. The terms of the motion were as follows –

"政府立即展開全面而準確的地區諮詢，收集市民建議全港各區可舉辦墟市的地點及場地，並制訂及公開上述全港墟市用地列表(包括政府用地及閒置建築物)，以配合政府現行的墟市政策。"

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(Translation)

"That the Government immediately conduct a comprehensive and accurate local consultation exercise to collect information on sites and venues across the districts in Hong Kong proposed by members of the public available for bazaar operation, and draw up a list of the aforesaid bazaar sites over the territory (including government sites and idle premises) and make it public, so as to tie in with the Government's existing policy on bazaars."

7. The Chairman put Mr WAN's motion to vote. The motion was voted on and carried.

8. Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung spoke on his motion. The terms of the motion were as follows –

"訂立全港性的長遠墟市及小販政策，按照地區諮詢結果，讓社福機構及慈善團體申請場地舉辦各類墟市活動。"

(Translation)

"That a territory-wide long-term bazaar and hawker policy be formulated, such that social welfare organizations and charitable bodies may apply for the use of sites for holding various kinds of bazaar activities in accordance with the outcomes of the local consultation exercise."

9. The Chairman put Mr LEUNG's motion to vote. The motion was voted on and carried.

10. Ms Claudia MO spoke on her motion. The terms of the motion were as follows –

"政府應簡化放寬現行假日墟市攤檔之申請手續，以利民措施幫助發展地區經濟。"

(Translation)

"That the Government should simplify and relax the existing application procedures for stalls in holiday bazaars and contribute to the development of community economy through initiatives that benefit the public."

11. The Chairman put Ms MO's motion to vote. The motion was voted on and carried.

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12. Mr Nathan LAW spoke on his motion. The terms of the motion were as follows –

"本人動議「本委員會要求政府按照由下而上的原則，訂立一套清晰、劃一及簡易的地區諮詢流程及申辦墟市流程，並協調各政府部門出席諮詢會，聆聽市民意見及提供資訊」。

(Translation)

" I move that "this Subcommittee request the Government to devise a set of clear, standardized and simple procedures for community consultation and for bazaar application under the bottom-up approach and coordinate with various government departments in attending consultation sessions to receive public views and provide information."

13. The Chairman put Mr LAW's motion to vote. The motion was voted on and carried.

Follow-up actions to be taken by the Administration

14. The Administration was requested to provide information on:

Hawker-related issues

- (a) the detailed procedure for registering the unlicensed operators in the cloth bazaar, including (i) how the six on-site surveys carried out during the period between December 2013 and January 2014 were conducted, (ii) the reasons for excluding 17 persons who had been operating in the cloth bazaar from the list of registered unlicensed operators, and (iii) whether the Administration would re-consider the claims of these persons;
- (b) the Administration's considerations, plans and timetable for issuing new hawker licences;
- (c) the Administration's measures to facilitate holders of "permit of registered assistant" to apply for (including to apply for the transfer of/succession to) hawker licences with a view to solving the "succession problem";

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Applications for setting up bazaars and their operation

- (d) the roles of various departments under the existing policies on bazaars with details on the "established mechanism" adopted by departments in handling bazaar proposals;
- (e) the Administration's response to Subcommittee members' suggestion of establishing a one-stop platform (with representatives from all relevant departments)/designated department/task force to facilitate the public in making applications for setting up bazaars;
- (f) the Administration's response to deputations' request for the Government to initiate bazaars for participation by interested parties (i.e. similar to the arrangement of organizing LNY Fairs in various districts);
- (g) the Government's policies and measures for monitoring and controlling noise nuisance caused by street performers and bazaar operators (e.g. street performers in Mong Kok Pedestrian Precinct), including the noise control requirements that performers and operators had to comply with;
- (h) whether the use of liquefied petroleum gas cartridges (0.55 litre) for heating food would be allowed in bazaars (i.e. not regarded as using "naked flame");
- (i) the Administration's response to the 142 sites for setting up bazaars identified by "Supporting Grassroots' Bazaar", and the relevant government departments responsible for vetting applications for the use of these sites;
- (j) the Administration's response to deputations' request for the Government to consider identifying a list of suitable sites over the territory that are supported by relevant DCs for setting up bazaars;
- (k) the reason for not setting up bazaar again at the rooftop of Wing Fong Street Market in Kwai Chung despite the fact that the bazaar held at that location had been successful and welcomed by the public and local residents; and
- (l) the Administration's response to the views raised by deputations/individuals at the meeting and in their submissions.

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(Post-meeting note: The Administration's written response was issued vide LC Paper No. CB(1)570/16-17(02) on 20 February 2017.)

(At 12:24 pm, the Chairman ordered that the meeting be extended for 30 minutes to 1:00 pm. At 12:59 pm, the Chairman suggested that the meeting be further extended for 15 minutes to 1:15 pm. Members agreed.)

III Any other business

15. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 1:11 pm.

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Legislative Council Secretariat
29 March 2018

**Proceedings of the fourth meeting of the
Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Bazaars
on Saturday, 21 January 2017, at 9:00 am
in Conference Room 1 of the Legislative Council Complex**

Time Marker	Speaker	Subject(s)	Action Required
Agenda item I — Meeting arrangements and proposed items for discussion for February to July 2017			
001240 – 001624	Chairman	Briefing by the Chairman on meeting arrangements	
Agenda item II — Issues relating to markets and wider issues relating to policies on bazaars			
Session 1 — Presentation of views by deputations/individuals and the Administration's responses			
001625 – 001822	Chairman	Introductory remarks	
001823 – 002147	The Hong Kong Council of Social Service	Presentation of views [LC Paper No. CB(1)474/16-17(03)] (Chinese version only)	
002148 – 002444	The Civic Party	Presentation of views [LC Paper No. CB(1)474/16-17(04)] (Chinese version only)	
002445 – 002818	銅鑼灣渣甸坊市集 Chairman	Presentation of views [LC Paper No. CB(1)481/16-17(04)] (Chinese version only)	
002819 – 003157	Ha Pak Tin Peanuts Alliance Chairman	Presentation of views [LC Paper No. CB(1)450/16-17(03)] (Chinese version only)	
003158 – 003501	東涌社區發展陣線 Chairman	Presentation of views	
003502 – 003716	天水圍社區發展陣線	Presentation of views	
003717 – 004013	Supporting Grassroots' Bazaar Chairman	Presentation of views [LC Paper No. CB(1)450/16-17(04)] (Chinese version only)	
004014 – 004323	有機墟市聯盟	Presentation of views	

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004324 – 004529	曾韋健先生	Presentation of views	
004530 – 004759	吳業康先生	Presentation of views	
004800 – 005100	Captain O Chairman	Presentation of views	
005101 – 005410	United Hawkers Development Platform	Presentation of views [LC Paper No. CB(1)481/16-17(03)] (Chinese version only)	
005411 – 005731	Mr WANG Hongyu	Presentation of views [LC Paper No. CB(1)450/16-17(06)] (English version only)	
005732 – 010102	欽州街布販市場商販關 注組 Chairman	Presentation of views	
010103 – 010458	Pang Jai Concern Group Chairman	Presentation of views	
010459 – 010807	Momentum 107	Presentation of views [LC Paper No. CB(1)450/16-17(08)] (Chinese version only)	
010808 – 011120	Ms FONG Kwok-shan Christine	Presentation of views	
011121 – 011433	Hong Kong Ample Love Society Ltd.	Presentation of views	
011434 – 011809	Demosisto	Presentation of views	
011810 – 012007	張瑞麗女士	Presentation of views	
012008 – 012250	趙秀霞女士	Presentation of views	
012251 – 012606	黃莉莉女士	Presentation of views	
012607 – 012756	何初寒先生	Presentation of views	

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012757 – 013356	黃嘯虎先生	Presentation of views	
013357 – 013704	Labour Party	Presentation of views	
013705 – 015632	Chairman Administration 欽州街布販市場商販 關注組	<p><u>The Administration's initial responses to deputations' views</u></p> <p><i>Policies on bazaar</i></p> <p>(a) the Government adopted a positive attitude towards a bottom-up approach in coming up specific proposals for developing bazaars;</p> <p>(b) when suitable sites had been identified by organizations for setting up bazaars and support from local communities and respective District Councils ("DCs") had been obtained, the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department ("FEHD") would liaise with relevant departments, provided that the bazaar proposals would not compromise public order and safety, food safety and environmental hygiene and obstruct public passageways;</p> <p>(c) the best arrangement for handling a bottom-up bazaar proposal would be for the DC concerned, which had a good understanding of the circumstances and public sentiments of the district, to consider the proposal with a view to reaching a consensus among various stakeholders;</p> <p>(d) the Secretary for Food and Health also encouraged DCs to render active consideration to bazaar proposals received;</p> <p>(e) it was noted that a number of bazaar proposals had been/would be discussed by the Sham Shui Po, North, Island and Yuen Long DCs, and bazaars of various forms like arts fairs and farmers' bazaars had been organized in the past;</p>	

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		<p><i>Role of the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department in handling bazaar proposals</i></p> <p>(f) generally speaking, upon receipt of a bazaar proposal, the departments concerned or FEHD (as the case might be) would consider the nature, form, mode of operation, date and duration of the proposed bazaar to determine whether the proposed venue would be suitable;</p> <p>(g) FEHD would provide a one-stop service to co-ordinate views and comments from relevant departments in processing applications for relevant licences;</p> <p>(h) FEHD would inform the applicant of the requirements of relevant departments and the licences required to be applied (e.g. Temporary Places of Public Entertainment Licence, Temporary Food Factory Licence, etc.);</p> <p><i>Issues relating to hawkers and public markets</i></p> <p>(i) a five-year Hawker Assistance Scheme had been introduced which provided an option for on-street fixed-pitch hawkers to surrender their licences for ex-gratia payments. The Government would stock-take the number of vacant stalls, and conduct a review on whether or not to issue new on-street fixed-pitch hawker licences, as well as whether and how to handle the case of registered assistants;</p> <p>(j) pursuant to a consultancy study, the Government would renovate six public markets under FEHD to enhance their attractiveness and reduce vacancy rate in these markets;</p> <p><i>Relocation of the Yen Chow Street Temporary Hawker Bazaar ("cloth bazaar")</i></p> <p>(k) FEHD had conducted six on-site surveys in the cloth bazaar and any persons confirmed to be operating at the cloth bazaar during any one of the on-site</p>	

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		<p>surveys would be eligible for registration;</p> <p>(l) 17 persons approached FEHD claiming that they were operators in the cloth bazaar but all stalls claimed to be occupied by the claimants overlapped with those claimed by the licensees/registered unlicensed operators; and hence the special arrangement for eligible unlicensed cloth hawkers did not apply to these claimants; and</p> <p>(m) there would be vacant stalls in the new cloth market at the Tung Chau Street and the 17 claimants could participate in the open bidding exercise if they wished to continue their business in the new cloth market.</p> <p>The Chairman requested the Administration to provide written responses on the detailed procedure for registering the unlicensed operators in the cloth bazaar, the views raised by deputations at the meeting and concerns in their submissions.</p>	<p>The Administration to take action as paragraph 14 of the minutes</p>
<p>015633 – 020349</p>	<p>Mr Andrew WAN Administration Chairman</p>	<p>Mr WAN asked if the Administration would compile a list of suitable sites over the territory for setting up bazaars and review the existing policies to promote the development of bazaars.</p> <p>The Government responded that –</p> <p>(a) the list of 142 sites identified by "Supporting Grassroots' Bazaar" consisted of venues of various nature, e.g. schools, venues under the management of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department ("LCSD"), open spaces in public rental housing estates, etc.;</p> <p>(b) different departments had their established mechanisms for processing applications for holding activities in their venues; and</p> <p>(c) the Food and Health Bureau ("FHB") would seek information from relevant departments on their established</p>	

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		<p>mechanisms and criteria adopted in processing bazaar proposals and provide such information to the Subcommittee.</p>	
020350 – 020920	Mr LEUNG Yiu-chung Administration Chairman	<p>Mr LEUNG enquired about the Administration's assistance to bazaar operators as compared to that to stall operators in the Lunar New Year ("LNY") Fairs (e.g. for LNY Fairs, the Administration would identify suitable sites and arrange open auctions of the stalls).</p> <p>Regarding the arrangement of LNY Fairs, the Government explained that –</p> <p>(a) FEHD would seek consent from LCSD for using the leisure venues in various districts for holding LNY Fairs;</p> <p>(b) interested parties could bid for the stalls through open auctions;</p> <p>(c) FEHD would provide a one-stop service to co-ordinate views and comments from relevant departments on matters related to their respective policy areas; and</p> <p>(d) FEHD would assist the successful bidders to apply for relevant licenses, including those related to the selling of cooked food.</p>	
020921 – 021418	Mr CHU Hoi-dick 天水圍社區發展陣線 Administration Chairman	<p>Ms WONG of 天水圍社區發展陣線 sought information regarding progress of the application for setting up a bazaar at Tin Yuet Estate submitted in November 2015, in particular when the proposal would be discussed by the Yuen Long DC and whether there were other owners in Tin Yuet Estate the Housing Department ("HD") would need to seek consent from for approving the application.</p> <p>The Government said that the project proponent should liaise with HD regarding the use of the venue and seek views from the Working Group on Local Poverty Alleviation of the Yuen Long DC on the proposed bazaar in Tin Yuet Estate.</p>	

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		<p>The Chairman urged the Administration to provide a one-stop service to assist bazaar operators in submitting applications, in particular in liaising with different departments and consulting relevant DCs and local communities.</p> <p>The Government reiterated that it would be more desirable to adopt a bottom-up approach in coming up specific proposals for developing bazaars. After obtaining support from the relevant DC, FEHD would take an active role in assisting the project proponent to communicate with relevant departments and obtain relevant licences required for setting up the bazaar.</p>	
021419 – 021835	Mr CHAN Chi-chuen Administration Chairman	Mr CHAN urged the Administration to review the effectiveness of the bottom-up approach and simplify the current bazaar application procedures.	
021836 – 022347	Mr SHIU Ka-fai Administration Chairman	<p>Mr SHIU understood that local residents might have concerns over possible traffic, noise and environmental hygiene problems caused by the proposed bazaar. Quoting Mong Kok Pedestrian Precinct as an example, he enquired about the Government's policies and measures for regulating noise nuisance caused by street performers and bazaar operators, including the noise control requirements performers and operators had to comply with.</p> <p>The Government informed members that this issue was being handled at the district level.</p>	The Administration to take action as paragraph 14 of the minutes
022348 – 023527	Break		
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023528 – 023624	Chairman	Introductory remarks	
023625 – 023912	Liberal Party Youth Committee	Presentation of views	

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023913 – 024224	Dr LEUNG Chi-yuen, the Hong Kong Polytechnic University	Presentation of views [LC Paper No. CB(1)481/16-17(01)] (Chinese version only)	
024225 – 024518	基層共同購買網絡	Presentation of views	
024519 – 024853	深水埗見光墟關注組	Presentation of views	
024854 – 025135	潘麗珊女士	Presentation of views	
025136 – 025448	North District Employment Concern Group Chairman	Presentation of views	
025449 – 025811	North District Friends of the Grassroots	Presentation of views	
025812 – 030138	Northern District Grassroots Welfare Alliance Chairman	Presentation of views [LC Paper No. CB(1)481/16-17(02)] (Chinese version only)	
030138 – 030420	Women's Employment Concern Group	Presentation of views	
030421 – 030720	Tuen Mun Community Network	Presentation of views	
030721 – 031102	Mr LAW Cheuk-yung	Presentation of views [LC Paper No. CB(1)481/16-17(05)] (Chinese version only)	
031103 – 031412	North District Market Joint	Presentation of views	
031413 – 031723	葵青基層墟市關注組	Presentation of views	
031724 – 032511	Chairman Administration	The Chairman requested the Administration to provide initial responses to deputation's views and detailed written responses after the meeting.	The Administration to take action as paragraph 14 of the minutes

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		<p>The Government reiterated that –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the development of bazaars must be bottom up, and able to meet the needs of the districts concerned; (b) DCs would be in the best position to gauge the local sentiments in order to reach a consensus among different stakeholders on a bazaar proposal; (c) when considering a bazaar proposal, FEHD would need to ensure that public order and safety, food safety and environmental hygiene would not be compromised, and there would be no obstruction to public passageways; (d) it would take time to handle a bazaar proposal as FEHD would need to consult various departments; (e) FEHD and relevant departments would review the current application procedures and examine ways to simplify them; and (f) the Government would stock-take the number of vacant stalls after completion of the five-year Hawker Assistance Scheme, and would conduct a review on whether or not to issue new on-street fixed-pitch hawker licences, as well as whether and how to handle the case of registered assistants. 	
032512 – 032709	Chairman Mr Andrew WAN	Voting on the motion moved by Mr Andrew WAN	
032710 – 032843	Chairman Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung Mr SHIU Ka-fai	Voting on the motion moved by Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung	
032844 – 032932	Chairman Ms Claudia MO	Voting on the motion moved by Ms Claudia MO	

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032933 – 033106	Chairman Mr Nathan LAW	Voting on the motion moved by Mr Nathan LAW	
033107 – 033423	Mr LEUNG Kwok-hung Chairman	Mr LEUNG considered that bazaars would provide a viable alternative for residents to shop for basic necessities in order to counter the monopoly of large conglomerates. He suggested that the Administration should conduct a comprehensive review of its bazaar and hawker policies.	
033424 – 033924	Ms Claudia MO Administration Chairman	<p>Ms MO urged the Administration to simplify the current application procedures for setting up bazaars, especially for those organized at festive and holiday periods. She also suggested FEHD to establish a task force to coordinate all relevant departments in processing bazaar applications and provide one-stop service to bazaar operators. The Chairman concurred that establishing a one-stop platform would help speed up the vetting of applications.</p> <p>The Government responded that FEHD had been providing one-stop service to the bazaar operators by coordinating relevant departments in handling applications, including applications for the required licenses. Citing an example, it took about one to two months to obtain the required licenses.</p>	
033925 – 034321	Dr YIU Chung-yim Administration Chairman	<p>Mr YIU suggested that the Administration, together with the Subcommittee, could use a real/hypothetical application to simulate the procedures for setting up bazaars so that members would better understand the difficulties involved and the Administration could identify possible areas for making improvement, including simplifying the application procedures and developing a practical guidelines to facilitate the public in making applications.</p> <p>The Government agreed with Mr YIU's suggestion.</p>	
034322 – 034737	Dr Fernando CHEUNG Administration Chairman	Dr CHEUNG urged the Administration to consider –	

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		<p>(a) establishing an inter-bureaux/departmental task force to facilitate the public in making applications for setting up bazaars;</p> <p>(b) identifying a list of suitable sites over the territory for setting up bazaars; and</p> <p>(c) standardizing the procedures for applying different types of venues for setting up bazaars.</p> <p>The Chairman emphasized that the inter-bureaux/departmental task force or one-stop platform should consist of representatives from all relevant departments so that there would be no need for FEHD to refer bazaar proposals to various departments for comment.</p>	
034738 – 035101	Mr Andrew WAN Administration Chairman	Mr WAN stressed the importance for the Administration to formulate a more comprehensive and long-term bazaar policy.	
035102 – 035533	Mr SHIU Ka-fai 葵青基層墟市關注組 Liberal Party Youth Committee Chairman	<p>Mr LEE of 葵青基層墟市關注組 sought the Liberal Party's clarification on its views that the Administration should regulate the development of bazaars.</p> <p>Mr CHEUNG of the Liberty Party Youth Committee responded that by coordinating and regulating the development of bazaars, the Government could better ensure that bazaar operators would properly observe the relevant rules and requirements (e.g. the use of non-flammable materials for setting up the stalls, food safety, etc.). He agreed that the Government should simplify the existing application procedures and relax requirements, in particular those related to food licences. The Liberal Party supported the principle of free economy.</p>	
035534 – 040020	Mr LEUNG Yiu-chung Administration Chairman	<p>Mr LEUNG requested the Administration to –</p> <p>(a) provide written responses to the four motions passed at the meeting;</p> <p>(b) consider arranging bazaars for the participation of interested parties (i.e.</p>	The Administration to take action as paragraph 14 of the minutes

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		<p>similar to the arrangement of LNY Fairs); and</p> <p>(c) consider setting up a designated department/task force to handle bazaar applications.</p> <p>The Government remarked that the situations in each district varied, and hence could affect the nature and mode of operation of individual bazaars. Thus, it might be inappropriate for the Government to initiate bazaar proposals and prescribe the details for districts. The existing bottom-up approach would better meet the needs of districts.</p>	
040021 – 040511	Mr CHU Hoi-dick Administration	<p>Mr CHU enquired why the bazaar at the rooftop of Wing Fong Street Market in Kwai Chung had been closed despite it had been successful and welcomed by the public and local residents.</p> <p>In response to Mr CHU's enquiry on the Administration's follow-up action on the 142 sites identified by "Supporting Grassroots' Bazaar", the Government said that –</p> <p>(a) FHB would identify the relevant departments responsible for management of the 142 sites and collect details from the departments; and</p> <p>(b) bazaar operators might also need to consider other factors in using the sites, like the accessibility of the sites, visitor flow, etc. from the viability perspective.</p>	The Administration to take action as paragraph 14 of the minutes
040512 – 040840	Dr KWOK Ka-ki Administration	<p>Dr KWOK urged that the Administration should –</p> <p>(a) set up an inter-bureaux/departmental task force to promote the development of bazaars;</p> <p>(b) study bazaar policies of other places; and</p> <p>(c) establish a communication platform with representatives from relevant departments and stakeholders for discussing bazaar</p>	

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		<p>proposals.</p> <p>The Government pointed out that details regarding the roles, responsibilities, and the established mechanism of various departments under the existing bottom-up approach would be discussed at the next meeting.</p>	
040841 – 041112	Chairman	<p>The Chairman urged the Administration to provide written responses to the views and comments raised by deputations/members at the meeting. She also urged the Administration to adopt a more positive attitude and active role in promoting the development of bazaars, in particular to examine ways to simplify the existing application procedures and develop a communication platform to facilitate discussion of issues relating to bazaars.</p>	<p>The Administration to take action as paragraph 14 of the minutes</p>