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Panel on Environmental Affairs

Subcommittee on Refuse Collection and Resource Recovery

**Minutes of the sixth meeting
held on Monday, 11 September 2017, at 10:45 am
in Conference Room 2A of the Legislative Council Complex**

Members present : Hon Tanya CHAN (Chairman)
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung
Hon WU Chi-wai, MH
Hon CHU Hoi-dick
Hon HUI Chi-fung

Members absent : Hon Charles Peter MOK, JP
Hon CHAN Chi-chuen
Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT, BBS, JP
Ir Dr Hon LO Wai-kwok, SBS, MH, JP
Hon Andrew WAN Siu-kin
Dr Hon Junius HO Kwan-yiu, JP

Public Officers attending : **For item I**

Mr Andy CHAN
Assistant Director (Recycling Support) (Acting)
Environmental Protection Department

Miss Hinny LAM
Assistant Director (Waste Management Policy)
Environmental Protection Department

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

Clerk in attendance : Mr Joey LO
Senior Council Secretary (1)8

Staff in attendance : Ms Anki NG
Senior Council Secretary (1)1

Miss Mandy POON
Legislative Assistant (1)1

Action

I. Proposal to provide a community recycling centre at the reprovisioned refuse collection point in Hau Cheung Street

(LC Paper No. CB(1)1292/16-17(01) — Letter dated 10 July 2017 from Hon CHU Hoi-dick (Chinese version only)

LC Paper No. CB(1)1413/16-17(01) — Administration's paper on "Support for Waste Reduction and Recycling at the Local Community Level")

The Subcommittee deliberated (index of proceedings attached at the **Annex**).

Action

II. Draft report of the Subcommittee on Refuse Collection and Resource Recovery

(LC Paper No. CB(1)1379/16-17 — Draft report of the Subcommittee on Refuse Collection and Resource Recovery)

2. Members noted the content of the draft report of the Subcommittee, and agreed to submit the report to the Panel on Environmental Affairs at a regular meeting in the 2017-2018 legislative session. The Chairman invited members to forward their comments on the draft report, if any, to the Secretariat after the meeting.

III. Any other business

3. There being no other business, the meeting ended at 11:45 am.

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Time marker	Speaker	Subject(s)	Action required
<i>Agenda Item I — Proposal to provide a community recycling centre at the reprovioned refuse collection point in Hau Cheung Street</i>			
000416 - 000607	Chairman	Opening remarks by the Chairman.	
000608 - 001233	Chairman Administration	Briefing by the Administration on "Support for waste reduction and recycling at the local community level (LC Paper No. CB(1)1413/16-17(01))"	
001234 - 002154	Chairman Mr WU Chi-wai Administration	<p>Discussion on strategies and measures to assist the recycling industry in response to the Mainland's import ban on 24 types of waste by the end of 2017.</p> <p>The Administration advised that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the Recycling Fund had held sharing sessions with the recycling industry to gauge their feedback on the tightening of Mainland's waste import standards; (b) representatives of the Environmental Protection Department had visited the Mainland authorities to obtain first-hand information on the latest import control; (c) it was understood that unsorted waste papers would no longer be allowed to be imported by the end of 2017. However, waste papers duly sorted into three categories, namely, newspapers, cardboards and office papers, would continue to be accepted; and (d) the Administration would assist the recycling industry to take this opportunity to elevate their operational standards and upgrade their capability through the Recycling Fund and the provision of land for supporting the recycling industry. 	

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002155 - 002755	Chairman Mr LEUNG Yiu-chung Administration	<p>Discussion on the implications of the proposal to convert part of the reprovisioned building in Hau Cheung Street for provision of recycling facilities:</p> <p>The Administration advised that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the proposal for the reprovisioning project was first put forward to the Panel on Home Affairs in April 2013; (b) the project was endorsed by the Public Works Subcommittee ("PWSC") in June 2017 after several revisions in design, and subsequently included in the agenda of the Finance Committee; (c) as the project had been delayed for about five years, some members of the PWSC as well as stakeholders urged for early implementation of the project; and (d) any further revision at such a late stage would further delay construction works and increase construction costs. 	
002756 - 003839	Chairman Mr CHU Hoi-dick Administration	<p>Discussion on the feasibility of changing the proposed use of the first floor of the building (above the reprovisioned Hau Cheung Street Refuse Collection Point ("RCP")), from storage and office space for the Leisure and Cultural Services Department to facilities for clean recycling of items such as used clothing and furniture.</p> <p>Discussion on the feasibility of providing a community recycling centre at the new RCP in Hung Shui Kiu.</p>	
0003840 - 004428	Chairman Administration	<p>Discussion on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the positioning and admission threshold of the EcoPark; and (b) the Administration's effort in promoting clean recycling. 	

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		<p>The Administration advised that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the EcoPark aimed at providing long-term land support for the recycling industry to engage in investment in advanced and high value-added technologies. As such, the minimum capital investment amount of \$30 million was considered reasonable and not excessive; (b) the response from industry to the latest tender invitation for lease of lot in EcoPark was overwhelming as was evident from the large number of tenders received; and (c) the Administration would produce announcements in the public interest ("APIs") to raise public awareness of the importance of clean recycling. The APIs on waste plastic containers was being produced. 	
004429 - 004952	Chairman Mr HUI Chi-fung Administration	<p>Discussion on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) whether the Administration would formulate a policy to provide Community Recycling Centres at new RCPs; and (b) measures to support the recycling industry in the longer term. <p>The Administration advised that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) source separation of waste was the first and most effective means of waste reduction and recycling, and should be encouraged; (b) centralized sorting of waste at the community level was not always feasible due to space and operational constraints; and (c) the Administration would maintain close liaison with the recycling industry in order to provide the necessary support. 	

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004953 - 005600	Chairman Mr WU Chi-wai Administration	Discussion on strategies to promote source separation and clean recycling.	
005601 - 010037	Chairman Mr CHU Hoi-dick Administration	Discussion on provision of facilities to facilitate resource recovery and reuse in new RCPs.	
<i>Agenda Item II — Draft report of the Subcommittee on Refuse Collection and Resource Recovery</i>			
010038 - 010346	Chairman Mr CHU Hoi-dick	Discussion on the way forward of the Subcommittee.	Clerk to follow up on the draft report.
<i>Agenda Item III — Any other business</i>			
010347 - 010437	Chairman	Closing remarks	

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