# 立法會 Legislative Council

LC Paper No. CB (2)413/17-18

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#### Paper for the House Committee meeting on 1 December 2017

Proposed extension of period of work of subcommittees on policy issues and arrangements for activation of subcommittees on the waiting list

#### **Purpose**

This paper invites Members to consider the proposed extension of period of work of two subcommittees on policy issues ("policy subcommittees"), and note the arrangements for activation of subcommittees on the waiting list.

## **Background**

#### Activation and operation of policy subcommittees

- 2. Under rules 26(a) and (b) of the House Rules ("HR"), the maximum number of policy subcommittees appointed by the House Committee ("HC") and Panels that may be in operation at any one time is 10 ("the quota"). Where the number of policy subcommittees has reached the quota, a queuing system will automatically be activated with a waiting list formed. The order of subcommittees on the waiting list is in the order of their appointment.
- 3. Under HR 26(c), a policy subcommittee should complete its work within 12 months of its commencement and report to HC or the relevant Panel(s). Should such a subcommittee consider it necessary for it to work beyond that 12 months, the subcommittee should, after obtaining the endorsement of the relevant Panel(s) if it is appointed by a Panel(s), report to HC and give justifications for an extension of the 12-month period. It is the established practice to determine duration of the

According to the broad principles for the activation, operation and extension of period of work of policy subcommittees agreed at the HC meeting on 15 November 2013, the number of subcommittees under each Panel operating at the same time should not exceed two. For this purpose, a joint subcommittee will be counted as one subcommittee for each of the Panels concerned.

12-month period on the basis of the date of the first meeting of the subcommittee.

Arrangements for extension of period of work of policy subcommittees in the Sixth Legislative Council ("LegCo")

4. At the HC meeting on 7 July 2017, Members agreed to adopt the following arrangements for extension of period of work of policy subcommittees in the Sixth LegCo: (a) upon completion of the 12-month period, a policy subcommittee currently in operation will vacate its slot for activation of a subcommittee on the waiting list. subcommittee considers it necessary for it to work beyond the 12-month period, upon obtaining endorsement of HC, it will be put on the waiting list for re-activation. The order of activation for subcommittees on the waiting list, unless decided otherwise by HC, will be set in accordance with the date on which they are put on the waiting list on a first-come, first-served basis; and (b) five policy subcommittees, namely Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways, Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project, Subcommittee on Retirement Protection, Subcommittee on Right of Ethnic Minorities and Subcommittee on Children's Rights are permitted to continue to work for a specified period of time as agreed by HC.<sup>2</sup> Details of the policy subcommittees currently in operation and the policy subcommittees on the waiting list are in Appendices I and II respectively.

# Proposals for extension of period of work of two policy subcommittees

- 5. Two policy subcommittees, namely the Joint Subcommittee on Long-term Care Policy and the Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to Animal Rights, have respectively reviewed their work progress and considered it necessary for them to work beyond 12 months since their commencement. Their proposals for extension of period of work were in **Appendices III and IV.**
- 6. In accordance with the agreed arrangements as set out in paragraph 4 above, if HC endorses the proposals of the two Subcommittees, the two Subcommittees will be put on the waiting list upon expiry of the

The specified periods as agreed by HC are set out in **Appendix I**. HC also agreed that the Subcommittee to Follow Up Issues Relating to the Three-runway System at the Hong Kong International Airport would be given such permission if it proposed to do so. However, this Subcommittee has subsequently decided not to continue its work beyond 12 months and submitted a written report to HC on 10 November 2017.

12-month period for re-activation according to their order of activation when a vacant slot arises,<sup>3</sup> i.e. the Joint Subcommittee on Long-term Care Policy will be placed on the waiting list before the Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to Animal Rights.

# Arrangements for activation of policy subcommittees on the waiting list

#### Servicing work for LegCo committees

- 7. Of the 10 policy subcommittees activated in the 2016-2017 session, two have completed their work (i.e. Subcommittee on Refuse Collection and Resource Recovery and Subcommittee to Follow Up Issues Relating to the Three-runway System at the Hong Kong International Airport), and three will vacate their slots in December 2017 (i.e. Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Bazaars, Joint Subcommittee on Long-term Care Policy and Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to Animal Rights ("the three subcommittees concerned")).
- 8. Members noted at the HC meeting on 7 July 2017 that the Secretariat would review in November 2017 its available manpower against the demand from various committees in the 2017-2018 session, with the objective of finding the necessary resources to support the activation of the policy subcommittees on the waiting list as soon as practicable.
- 9. As at 17 November 2017, there were 16 Bills Committees, <sup>4</sup> 11 subcommittees on subsidiary legislation/other instrument, and eight policy subcommittees in operation. The number of these Committees and subcommittees totalled 35, as compared to 28, the highest number of such Committees and subcommittees being serviced among the last five sessions from 2012-2013 to 2016-2017. In addition, the Secretariat is required to service 18 Panels, the Finance Committee and its two subcommittees, the Public Accounts Committee, the Committee on Members' Interests, HC and the Committee on Rules of Procedure, etc.

According to the one-off arrangements for activation of policy subcommittees endorsed by HC at its meeting on 28 October 2016, these two policy subcommittees were among the six policy subcommittees for which the order of activation was determined by lot drawing held on 16 November 2016.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> HR21(a) stipulates that "the maximum number of Bills Committees should be limited to 16 at any one time. When more than 16 Bills Committees are formed, a queuing system will automatically be activated".

Currently, there are one Select Committee established under Rule 20(6) of the Rules of Procedure ("RoP"), <sup>5</sup> and two Investigation Committees established under RoP 49B(2A)<sup>6</sup> in operation. Members have already noted that there are no precedents that the Secretariat needs to service two investigation committees concurrently. investigation committee is responsible for investigating serious allegations against a Member which could lead to the Member being disqualified from office, its servicing work is much more complex and demanding than that for a policy subcommittee. While the Select Committee and the Investigation Committee established under Rule 49B(2A) of the Rules of Procedure in respect of the motion to censure Mr Holden CHOW will have to continue its work in the 2017-2018 session, it is expected that the Investigation Committee established under Rule 49B(2A) of the Rules of Procedure in respect of the motion to censure Dr Hon CHENG Chung-tai will conclude its work in January or February 2018.

#### <u>Timeline for activation of four subcommittees on the waiting list</u>

- 11. In light of the prevailing heavy workload of the Secretariat, the need to complete the reports of the three subcommittees concerned and intervening public holidays (Christmas and Lunar New Year) in December 2017 and second half of February 2018, Members are invited to note the timeline for activation of the first four policy subcommittees currently on the waiting list as follows:
  - (a) the first policy subcommittee on the waiting list (i.e. the Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Shopping Centres, Markets and Carparks in Public Rental Housing Estates and Home Ownership Scheme Estates) will be activated immediately; and
  - (b) the Secretariat will take forward the preparatory work, including lining up the first meeting, for the activation of the second to fourth policy subcommittees on the waiting list after the coming Lunar New Year towards the end of

The petition presented by Hon Kenneth LEUNG co-signed by himself and Hon Andrew WAN at the Council meeting of 2 November 2016 has been referred to the Select Committee to Inquire into Matters about the Agreement between Mr LEUNG Chun-ying and the Australian firm UGL Limited.

Two Investigation Committees have been established under RoP 49B(2A) respectively in respect of the motion to censure Dr CHENG Chung-tai moved at the Council meeting of 14 December 2016, and the motion to censure Mr Holden CHOW moved at the Council meeting of 7 June 2017.

February. These three subcommittees are the Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Public Markets, the Subcommittee to Follow Up Issues Relating to the Unified Screening Mechanism for Non-refoulement Claims and the Subcommittee to Follow Up the Issues Related to the Wang Chau Development Project.

## **Advice sought**

#### 12. Members are invited to:

- (a) consider the proposals put forward by the Joint Subcommittee on Long-term Care Policy and the Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to Animal Rights to extend their period of work for 12 months respectively. Subject to Members' agreement, upon expiry of their 12-month period of work, the two subcommittees will be put on the waiting list for re-activation in accordance with the arrangements as set out in paragraph 6 above; and
- (b) note the timeline for activation of the first four policy subcommittees on the waiting list as set out in paragraph 11 above.

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Appendix I Subcommittees on policy issues currently in operation

	Subcommittees on policy issues	Date of first meeting	End date of 12-month period	Latest position
1.	Subcommittee on Rights of Ethnic Minorities under the House Committee ("HC")	2 November 2016	1 November 2017	Continue to work until 1 November 2018
2.	Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways under the Panel on Transport	18 November 2016	17 November 2017	Continue to work in 2017-2018 session
3.	Subcommittee on Children's Rights under HC	18 November 2016	17 November 2017	Continue to work until 17 May 2018
4.	Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project under the Panel on Development and the Panel on Home Affairs	23 November 2016	22 November 2017	Continue to work in 2017-2018 session
5.	Subcommittee on Retirement Protection under HC	23 November 2016	22 November 2017	Continue to work in 2017-2018 session
6.	Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Bazaars under HC	6 December 2016	5 December 2017	Last meeting held on 27 November 2017
7.	Joint Subcommittee on Long-term Care Policy under the Panel on Welfare Services and Panel on Health Services	16 December 2016	15 December 2017	To seek HC's approval for extension of period of work for about 12 months
8.	Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to Animal Rights under the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene	16 December 2016	15 December 2017	To seek HC's approval for extension of period of work for 12 months

Note: The Subcommittee on Refuse Collection and Resource Recovery under the Panel on Environmental Affairs and the Subcommittee to Follow Up Issues Relating to the Three-runway System at the Hong Kong International Airport under HC have completed their work before their period of work expired.

# **Appendix II**

# Subcommittees on policy issues on the waiting list

	Subcommittees on policy issues	Date of appointment
1.	Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Shopping Centres, Markets and Carparks in Public Rental Housing Estates and Home Ownership Scheme Estates under the House Committee*	11 November 2016
2.	Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Public Markets under the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene*	8 November 2016
3.	Subcommittee to Follow Up Issues Relating to the Unified Screening Mechanism for Non-refoulement Claims under the House Committee*	28 October 2016
4.	Subcommittee to Follow Up the Issues Related to the Wang Chau Development Project under the Panel on Housing	15 November 2016
5.	Subcommittee to Follow Up Issues Related to Inadequate Housing and Relevant Housing Policies under the Panel on Housing	15 November 2016
6.	Joint Subcommittee on Issues Relating to the Regulation of Devices and Development of the Beauty Industry under the Panel on Health Services and the Panel on Commerce and Industry	28 February 2017
7.	Subcommittee on Issues Relating to the Development of Chinese Medicine under the Panel on Health Services	25 April 2017
8.	Subcommittee on Hillside Escalator Links and Elevator Systems under the Panel on Transport	19 May 2017
9.	Joint Subcommittee to Follow Up Issues Relating to the Redevelopment, Maintenance and Management of Aged Buildings under the Panel on Development and the Panel on Home Affairs	17 July 2017
10.	Subcommittee on Issues Relating to Policy on Industrial Buildings under the House Committee	6 October 2017

<sup>\*</sup> These subcommittees are among the six subcommittees of which the order of activation was determined by lot drawing held on 16 November 2016. According to the results of the lot drawing, these three subcommittees are placed on the waiting list in the order as listed.

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#### Paper for the House Committee meeting on 1 December 2017

# **Proposed continuation of work of the Joint Subcommittee on Long-term Care Policy**

#### **Purpose**

This paper reports on the progress of work of the Joint Subcommittee on Long-term Care Policy ("the Joint Subcommittee") and seeks Members' endorsement of the Joint Subcommittee's proposal to continue its work beyond its 12-month period of work and, for such purpose, to put the Joint Subcommittee on the waiting list for re-activation.

#### **Background**

2. The Joint Subcommittee was jointly appointed by the Panel on Welfare Services ("WS Panel") and Panel on Health Services ("HS Panel") in November 2016 to study the long-term care policy and services (including home-based, community based and residential care services for the elderly, people with disabilities and the chronically ill), discuss the policy concerned with the Administration and make timely recommendations. The terms of reference and membership of the Joint Subcommittee are set out in **Annexes I and II** respectively.

#### **Progress of work of Joint Subcommittee**

- 3. The Joint Subcommittee has identified the following 19 subjects for discussion:
  - (a) review of Integrated Home Care Services;

- (b) Pilot Scheme on Residential Care Service Voucher for the Elderly;
- (c) support for persons suffering from dementia and their family members;
- (d) dental care for the elderly and people with disabilities;
- (e) community support services for mentally ill and ex-mentally ill persons;
- (f) service quality of private residential care homes;
- (g) policy on subsidizing chronic patients for purchasing expensive drugs;
- (h) ageing of persons with intellectual disabilities or other types of disabilities;
- (i) support for carers of elderly persons and of persons with disabilities;
- (j) the issue of prohibiting chronic patients from carrying portable oxygen cylinders to travel on public transport
- (k) hospice services;
- (l) Pilot Scheme on Community Care Service Voucher for the Elderly;
- (m) Elderly Services Programme Plan;
- (n) severe shortage of community care services;
- (o) treatment and care services for rare disease patients;
- (p) care services for mentally incapacitated persons;
- (q) planning standards for long-term care services;
- (r) euthanasia; and
- (s) dental services for people with disabilities, the elderly and chronic patients.

4. The Joint Subcommittee has, since 16 December 2016, held 10 meetings and received views from deputations at nine of these meetings. The Joint Subcommittee has studied the first nine subjects (i.e. (a) to (i)) listed in paragraph 3 above.

#### **Need for continuation of work**

- 5. The Joint Subcommittee has yet to study the 10 subjects listed in items (j) to (s) of paragraph 3 above which are important issues to be addressed by the long-term care policy. In its study of these subjects, the Joint Subcommittee will, apart from meeting with the Administration, receive views from relevant non-governmental organizations, concern groups and the general public on each of the 10 subjects. It is envisaged that if the Joint Subcommittee decides to continue its work to complete its study on the remaining subjects, at least 10 meetings will be required for the study of the 10 subjects and wrapping up the Joint Subcommittee's study and deliberation of its observations and recommendations.
- 6. Rule 26(c) of the House Rules ("HR") provides that if a subcommittee appointed by Panel(s) considers it necessary to work beyond 12 months of its commencement, it should, after obtaining the endorsement of the relevant Panel(s), report to the House Committee ("HC") and give justifications for an extension of the 12-month period. The Joint Subcommittee has agreed, at its meeting on 27 June 2017, that it should complete its study of all the subjects mentioned above before drawing up recommendations on the long-term care policy and services. For doing so, the Joint Subcommittee has proposed to continue its work beyond the 12-month period until 30 November 2018. The proposal was submitted to the WS Panel and HS Panel for consideration through circulation of papers. As four members had signified disapproval by the deadline for return on 3 July 2017, the Chairmen of the two Panels agreed that subject to HC's decision regarding the proposed arrangements for extension of period of work of subcommittees on policy issues in the Sixth Legislative Council which would be discussed at its meeting on 7 July 2017, the two Panels should meet (by holding separate meetings or a joint meeting) to consider the proposed extension of work of the Joint Subcommittee.
- 7. After discussing the aforesaid proposed arrangements at its meeting on 7 July 2017, HC has agreed, inter alia, that apart from the five

<sup>1</sup> Ten monthly meetings are expected to be held in December 2017, January to July and October to November 2018.

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subcommittees<sup>2</sup> which have been given permission by HC for their continuation of work and the subcommittee<sup>3</sup> which will be given such permission if it proposes to do so, a subcommittee on policy issues currently in operation (e.g. the Joint Subcommittee) will vacate its slot upon completion of its 12-month period of work for activation of a subcommittee on the waiting list. If a subcommittee considers it necessary for it to work beyond the 12-month period, upon obtaining HC's endorsement, it will be put on the waiting list for re-activation.

8. In view of the HC's decision that the Joint Subcommittee should cease its work upon completion of the 12-month period which will end in December 2017, it is envisaged that the meeting of the Joint Subcommittee in December 2017 will be used for studying two of the 10 outstanding subjects and wrapping up its study and deliberation of its observations and recommendations. The Joint Subcommittee has agreed that it should work beyond the 12-month period for studying the remaining eight subjects. For doing so, the Joint Subcommittee has proposed to seek endorsement of the two Panels and HC for the Joint Subcommittee to be put on the waiting list for re-activation. The proposal was endorsed by the two Panels at their meetings on 13 and 20 November 2017 respectively.

## **Advice sought**

9. Pursuant to HR 26(c), Members are invited to note the progress of work of the Joint Subcommittee and endorse its proposal to continue its work beyond the 12-month period and, for such purpose, to put the Joint Subcommittee on the waiting list for re-activation.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The five subcommittees are: (a) Subcommittee on Matters Relating to Railways, (b) Joint Subcommittee to Monitor the Implementation of the West Kowloon Cultural District Project, (c) Subcommittee on Retirement Protection, (d) Subcommittee on Children's Rights, and (e) Subcommittee on Rights of Ethnic Minorities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The subcommittee is Subcommittee to Follow Up Issues Relating to the Three-runway System at the Hong Kong International Airport .

# **Annex I to Appendix III**

# Panel on Welfare Services and Panel on Health Services Joint Subcommittee on Long-term Care Policy

## **Terms of Reference**

To study the long-term care policy and services, including home-based, community-based and residential care services for the elderly, people with disabilities and the chronically ill as well as discuss the policy concerned with the Administration and make timely recommendations.

## Annex II to Appendix III

#### Panel on Welfare Services and Panel on Health Services

#### **Joint Subcommittee on Long-term Care Policy**

# **Membership list** \*

**Chairman** Dr Hon Fernando CHEUNG Chiu-hung

**Deputy Chairman** Hon SHIU Ka-chun

Members Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung

Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, GBS, JP Prof Hon Joseph LEE Kok-long, SBS, JP

Hon CHAN Han-pan, JP

Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT, BBS, JP

Hon Alvin YEUNG Hon CHU Hoi-dick Dr Hon Pierre CHAN Hon LUK Chung-hung Hon KWONG Chun-yu

(Total: 12 members)

Clerk Mr Colin CHUI

Legal Adviser Miss Rachel DAI

<sup>\*</sup> Changes in membership are shown in Enclosure to Annex II.

#### **Enclosure to Annex II**

# Panel on Welfare Services and Panel on Health Services Joint Subcommittee on Long-term Care Policy

## Changes in membership

Member	Relevant date
Hon YUNG Hoi-yan	Up to 19 February 2017
Hon Tommy CHEUNG Yu-yan, GBS, JP	Since 24 October 2017
Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT, BBS, JP	Since 24 October 2017
Hon CHU Hoi-dick	Since 24 October 2017
Hon LUK Chung-hung	Since 24 October 2017

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.

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Paper for the House Committee meeting on 1 December 2017

Proposal on the continuation of work of the Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to Animal Rights under the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene

#### **Purpose**

This paper reports on the progress of work of the Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to Animal Rights ("the Subcommittee") and seeks Members' endorsement of the Subcommittee's proposal to continue to work for another 12 months.

#### **Background**

- 2. The Subcommittee was appointed by the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene ("FSEH Panel") in November 2016 to study and follow-up on policies and measures relating to animal rights. In accordance with the arrangement for activation of subcommittees on policy issues agreed by the House Committee ("HC") at its meeting on 28 October 2016 and the results of the lots drawn on 16 November 2016<sup>1</sup>, the Subcommittee could commence its work immediately.
- 3. According to its work plan, the Subcommittee will focus its work mainly on the following areas:
  - (a) the Administration's policies on handling and combating animal cruelty cases;

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As agreed by Members at the HC meeting on 28 October 2016, if the number of the policy subcommittees appointed by HC/Panels as at noon of 14 November 2016 exceeded the remaining three vacant slots, lots would be drawn before the HC meeting on 18 November 2016 to determine the order of activation among the subcommittees on policy issues appointed by HC/Panels as at noon of 14 November 2016 pending activation. Lots were drawn by the Chairman and the Deputy Chairman of HC on 16 November 2016.

- (b) concrete details and timetable for establishing animal police teams;
- (c) measures to promote among members of the public animal adoption;
- (d) reviewing the Administration's efforts in handling community animals;
- (e) examining animal rights-related traffic ordinances and other relevant legislation;
- (f) examining relevant measures currently in place that regulate the safety of pet food; and
- (g) other subject matter relating to animal rights.
- 4. The terms of reference and membership of the Subcommittee are set out in **Annexes I and II** respectively.

#### Work of the Subcommittee

- 5. The Subcommittee has held seven meetings since 16 December 2016 and received views from deputations at two of these meetings. The Subcommittee also conducted a visit to the Chong Hing Water Sports Centre and the Outward Bound Hong Kong to facilitate members to obtain first-hand information on the ecological environment of the site for relocated stray cattle and the installation of cattle grid. Major issues studied by the Subcommittee include the following:
  - (a) policy and measures on handling and combating animal cruelty cases;
  - (b) review of the definition of cruelty to animals, and the relevant penalty under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Ordinance (Cap. 169) ("PCAO");
  - (c) implementation of the Public Health (Animals and Birds) (Trading and Breeding) Regulations (Cap. 139B) ("the Regulations");
  - (d) handling of illegal sale of dogs on the Internet;

- (e) observation of dogs and cats on public health grounds;
- (f) promotion of responsible pet ownership;
- (g) promotion of animal-friendly measures (including public rental housing, public transport and public open space);
- (h) the safety of pet food products in Hong Kong;
- (i) management of stray animals; and
- (j) management of stray cattle.

#### **Need for continuation of work**

- 6. During the deliberations of the Subcommittee, members of the Subcommittee have expressed various concerns about the issues mentioned in paragraph 5 above, in particular, in relation to handling and combating animal cruelty cases, PCAO, the Regulations, promotion of animal-friendly measures and management of stray animals. Subcommittee meeting held on 31 October 2017, some members of the Subcommittee suggested discussing the proposed introduction of a concept of positive duty of care on animal keepers which was a new initiative in the Chief Executive's 2017 Policy Address and, if appropriate, protection of farmed animals against cruelty. These Subcommittee members also considered it desirable for the Subcommittee to continue to be tasked with the responsibility to study the issues relating to animal rights and welfare. Issues which have to be followed up or need to be further examined by the Subcommittee are as follows:
  - (a) way forward for the "Trap-Neuter-Return" programme for stray dogs upon completion of the trial programme in 2018;
  - (b) implementation of the Regulations which will be subject to review in about two years after its commencement on 20 March 2017;
  - (c) review of the current legislations on safeguarding animal rights and enactment of a comprehensive and consolidated legislation on animal protection;
  - (d) policy and measures to handle and combat animal cruelty cases including establishing specialized teams of "animal police" throughout Hong Kong; and

- (e) management of stray animals including the effectiveness of the "Capture-Sterilization-Relocation" programme for stray cattle; and
- (f) publicity and public education for promoting animal welfare.
- 7. Members of the Subcommittee understand that the Subcommittee should cease its work upon completion of the 12-month period which will end on 15 December 2017, but envisage that the Subcommittee should need to continue its work for another 12 months to wrap up the Subcommittee's study and deliberation of its observations and recommendations, having regard to the outstanding issues which need to be followed up or further examined by the Subcommittee set out in paragraph 6 above. The Subcommittee has proposed to seek the endorsement of the FSEH Panel and HC for the Subcommittee to continue to work for another 12 months.<sup>2</sup> The Subcommittee's proposal has been endorsed by the FSEH Panel at its meeting on 14 November 2017.

#### **Advice sought**

8. Members are invited to note the progress of work of the Subcommittee and endorse the Subcommittee's proposal to continue to work for another 12 months and, for such purpose, to put the Subcommittee on the waiting list for re-activation.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In accordance with the arrangements agreed by HC at its meeting on 7 July 2017, apart from five subcommittees which have been given permission by HC for their continuation of work and one other subcommittee which will be given such permission if it proposes to do so, a subcommittee on policy issues currently in operation will vacate its slot upon completion of its 12-month period of work for activation of a subcommittee on the waiting list. If a subcommittee considers it necessary for it to work beyond the 12-month period, upon obtaining HC's endorsement, it will be put on the waiting list.

# Annex I to Appendix IV

# Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to Animal Rights

## **Terms of Reference**

To study and follow-up on policies and measures relating to animal rights, and to put forward recommendations where necessary.

# Annex II to Appendix IV

# **Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to Animal Rights**

#### **Membership list \***

**Chairman** Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan, JP

**Deputy Chairman** Hon Claudia MO

**Members** Hon Starry LEE Wai-king, SBS, JP

Hon CHAN Hak-kan, BBS, JP Hon Steven HO Chun-yin, BBS

Hon CHAN Chi-chuen Hon CHAN Han-pan, JP

Hon Alice MAK Mei-kuen, BBS, JP Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT, BBS, JP

Hon CHU Hoi-dick Hon HUI Chi-fung

Hon LAU Kwok-fan, MH Hon KWONG Chun-yu Hon Jeremy TAM Man-ho

(Total: 14 members)

**Clerk** Ms Alice LEUNG

Legal Adviser Ms Wendy KAN

<sup>\*</sup> Changes in membership are shown in Enclosure to Annex II.

#### **Enclosure to Annex II**

# **Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to Animal Rights**

# **Changes in membership**

Member	Relevant date	
Hon LEUNG Yiu-chung	Up to 18 December 2016	
Hon Tanya CHAN	Up to 2 January 2017	
Hon YIU Si-wing, BBS	Up to 15 January 2017	
Hon Wilson OR Chong-shing, MH	Up to 16 January 2017	
Hon SHIU Ka-fai	Since 17 January 2017	
	Up to 24 October 2017	
Hon HO Kai-ming	Up to 1 February 2017	
Hon LEUNG Che-cheung, SBS, MH, JP	Up to 7 March 2017	
Hon Alvin YEUNG	Up to 8 March 2017	
Hon Alice MAK Mei-kuen, BBS, JP	Up to 25 May 2017	
	Rejoined on 25 October 2017	
Hon Kenneth LAU Ip-keung, BBS, MH, JP	Up to 15 October 2017	
Hon WONG Ting-kwong, GBS, JP	Up to 18 October 2017	
Hon Michael TIEN Puk-sun, BBS, JP	Up to 24 October 2017	
Hon Christopher CHEUNG Wah-fung, SBS,	Up to 24 October 2017	
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Hon CHEUNG Kwok-kwan, JP	Up to 24 October 2017	

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