

**Panel on Development**

**List of follow-up actions**  
(Position as at 23 November 2017)

<b>Subject (Responsible Bureau/Office)</b>	<b>Date of meeting</b>	<b>Follow-up actions required</b>	<b>Administration's response</b>
<p>1. Briefing by the Secretary for Development on the Chief Executive's 2017 Policy Address and the overall land supply situation (Development Bureau, Food and Health Bureau, Commerce and Economic Development Bureau)</p>	<p>24 January 2017</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</p> <p><u>Land supply</u></p> <p>(a) elaboration on the work to be undertaken by the Urban Renewal Authority in redeveloping aged-buildings in built-up areas with a view to increasing housing land supply;</p> <p>(b) whether there would be any funding proposals in relation to the Kwu Tung North new development area ("NDA") and Fanling North NDA to be submitted to the Finance Committee for consideration by the current-term Government;</p>	<p>Response from the Development Bureau was issued to members on 27 February 2017 vide LC Paper No. CB(1)618/16-17(01).</p> <p>Response from the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau on (h) was issued to members on 11 April 2017 vide LC Paper No. CB(1)796/16-17(01).</p> <p>Response from the Food and Health Bureau on (f) is awaited</p>

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		<p><u>Brownfield sites</u></p> <p>(c) information on the distribution of brownfield sites in the New Territories, with breakdown by the following categories of the sites:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) the brownfield operations thereon which were in existence immediately before the first publication of the draft plans of the "Development Permission Areas" ("DPAs");</li><li>(ii) sites that were not designated as DPAs;</li><li>(iii) sites zoned "Undetermined";</li><li>(iv) enclaves; and</li><li>(v) government land leased out by Short Term Tenancy for use as open storage.</li></ul> <p>(d) in respect of the possibility of accommodating some brownfield operations into multi-storey buildings, whether the Administration would consider conducting a pilot scheme for such a proposal, rather than taking no action and waiting for the relevant studies to be completed in the next few years;</p>	

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		<p><u>Land use</u></p> <p>(e) elaboration on the proposed setting up of a conservation fund to further promote the revitalization of remote rural areas; whether the Development Bureau would review the compensation and rehousing mechanisms for various parties affected by development projects in the New Territories, such as the compensation for people affected by land resumption, taking reference from the proposed conservation fund; if yes, the details;</p> <p>(f) written response to Dr Hon LAU Siu-lai's letter dated 25 January 2017 on the role of the Development Bureau in the Government's policy on bazaars (LC Paper No. CB(1)501/16-17(01));</p> <p>(g) the justification for considering allocating land on the periphery of country parks for housing development, whereas only about 1% of the land of the Green Belt zone had been rezoned to residential or other uses;</p>	

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		<p>(h) the justification for proposing to use the Wan Chai Sports Ground for comprehensive development, including convention and exhibition venues, whereas land in Lantau had been reserved for the expansion of Asia World Expo;</p> <p><u>Land administration</u></p> <p>(i) the justification for renewing the land lease of the Sha Tin Racecourse for a further 50 years; the amount of land premium paid by The Hong Kong Jockey Club ("HKJC") for the renewal of the land lease; whether the above land lease was available for public inspection;</p> <p>(j) the justification for rezoning a site of 4.67 hectares in the Hong Kong Sports Institute from "Government, Institution or Community" to "Other Specified Uses" annotated "Race Course"; whether the Administration had signed/would sign a land lease with HKJC in respect of the above site;</p>	

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		<p><u>Enforcement against domestic use in industrial buildings</u></p> <p>(k) in view of the proposed stepping up of the enforcement efforts to combat the problem of illegal domestic units in industrial buildings, whether the Administration would enhance the rehousing arrangements for the affected inhabitants; if yes, the details; and</p> <p><u>Water safety</u></p> <p>(l) details of the follow-up actions taken by the Development Bureau and the Water Supplies Department relating to the recommendations put forward by the Commission of Inquiry into Excess Lead Found in Drinking Water, including the number of meetings held by the International Expert Panel appointed by the Development Bureau on the various items of follow-up work, and the relevant expert reports.</p>	

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<p>2. Receiving public views on Hong Kong 2030+: Towards a Planning Vision and Strategy Transcending 2030 (Development Bureau)</p>	<p>10 March 2017</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</p> <p>(a) the projection methodology in respect of the estimation that an outstanding area of 200 hectares of land was required in the long term for other specific uses (including science/research and development parks and industrial estates), as mentioned in the "Hong Kong 2030+: Towards a Planning Vision and Strategy Transcending 2030" ("Hong Kong 2030+"), in particular, whether the estimation had included the 87 hectares of land in the Lok Ma Chau Loop; and</p> <p>(b) in respect of each piece of land proposed to be developed under Hong Kong 2030+, the location, development area, population to be accommodated and use, so as to illustrate how the total area of outstanding land demand and total population to be accommodated was arrived at.</p>	<p>Administration's response awaited</p>

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<p>3. Creation and redeployment of Directorate posts in the Development Bureau and Planning Department to strengthen support for land use initiatives and district planning work (Development Bureau)</p>	<p>26 June 2017</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) progress update on (i) the Study on Existing Profile and Operations of Brownfield Sites in the New Territories; (ii) the feasibility studies on multi-storey buildings for accommodating brownfield operations; and (iii) other studies/surveys on brownfield sites, in particular, those related to the development of Hung Shui Kiu and Yuen Long South;</li> <li>(b) the direction and progress of the study on brownfield policy;</li> <li>(c) whether the Administration will conduct a review of the Central Clearing House mechanism to achieve efficient allocation of Vacant School Premises sites to potential users; if yes, the details; if no, the reason;</li> <li>(d) the expected effectiveness of the creation of the proposed supernumerary post of Principal Assistant Secretary (Planning and Lands)<sup>7</sup> ("PAS(PL)<sup>7</sup>") in terms of</li> </ul>	<p>The Administration's response was issued to members on 15 November 2017 vide LC Paper No. CB(1)214/17-18(01).</p>

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		<p>tackling the issues and taking forward the policy initiatives related to increasing land supply; and whether the duties and work of the proposed PAS(PL)7 post would be completed within the duration of the supernumerary post up to 31 March 2022; and</p> <p>(e) details of the additional non-directorate posts to be created to support the work of the proposed posts of PAS(PL)7 and Chief Town Planner / Housing and Office Land Supply.</p>	
<p>4. Briefing by the Secretary for Development on the Chief Executive's 2017 Policy Address (Development Bureau)</p>	<p>24 October 2017</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</p> <p>(a) whether the Administration would consider putting in place a mechanism to ensure that idle government sites under the purview of various government bureaux/departments would be timely surrendered to the Planning Department for converting into suitable uses;</p> <p>(b) whether the Administration would step up inspections to ensure the building</p>	<p>Administration's response awaited</p>



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		<p>safety of those aged buildings for which the developers, while having acquired most of the buildings' property ownerships and pending redevelopment, had delayed the building maintenance and repair works;</p> <p>(c) how the Administration would consider the suggestion made by a non-official member of the Task Force on Land Supply that Plover Cove Reservoir be filled up to provide land for housing;</p> <p>(d) whether and how the Administration would enforce against those cases in which the owners of shopping centres located at public housing estates or Home Ownership Scheme courts, such as Yung Shing Shopping Centre under the Link Real Estate Investment Trust ("the Link"), and Kam Ying Court Shopping Centre under a company that had acquired the shopping centre from the Link, had failed to provide the community or welfare facilities required under the relevant land lease conditions; and</p>	

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		<p>(e) in respect of the new initiative of encouraging private developers to provide welfare facilities in their development projects, (i) of the specific details and timetable of implementation, including the number of private developers and development projects, as well as the types of welfare facilities to be involved; and (ii) whether the Administration would, as a better alternative, consider specifying the requirements of the provision of such facilities under the land sale conditions.</p>	
<p>5. Progress report on heritage conservation initiatives (Development Bureau)</p>	<p>31 October 2017</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</p> <p>(a) the justifications for the proposed development of a 25-storey private hospital within the Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui's Compound on Lower Albert Road in Central; and</p> <p>(b) the Administration's response regarding whether it would liaise with the church leaders of the Union Church Hong Kong</p>	<p>Administration's response awaited</p>

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		(a Grade 3 historic building) to put on hold the redevelopment plan of the Church while pending reassessment of the grading of the Church by the Antiquities Advisory Board taking into account the public's request.	
6. Lifts and Escalators Ordinance (Cap. 618) Commencement Notices under Sections 14, 15, 19, 20, 21, 23, 25 and 26 of Schedule 16 in respect of Recognized Qualifications for Registered Engineer and Registered Worker (Development Bureau)	31 October 2017	The Administration was requested to provide information on the arrangement for persons who have only attained higher diploma, higher certificate or equivalent qualification but were registered professional engineers in the overseas to be registered, by mutual recognition, as lift engineers or escalator engineers in Hong Kong upon serving of the relevant Commencement Notice under Cap. 618.	The Administration's response was issued to members on 16 November 2017 vide LC Paper No. CB(1)222/17-18(01).
7. Work of the Urban Renewal Authority (Development Bureau and Urban Renewal Authority)	31 October 2017	The Administration was requested to provide the following information:  (a) whether the Administration and the Urban Renewal Authority ("URA") would consider reviewing URA's role to shoulder more social responsibility by	Administration's response awaited

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		<p>making use of the land resumed to develop subsidized sale flats under the Home Starter Loan Scheme and Sandwich Class Housing Scheme, or private housing with non-luxury designs that would be affordable to the general public, so as to rebuild the housing ladder; if yes, the details; if not, the reasons;</p> <p>(b) elaboration on the objectives and the key tasks of the district planning study for Yau Ma Tei and Mong Kok Districts;</p> <p>(c) in respect of the Yu Chau West Street Project (IB-2) under the Pilot Scheme for Redevelopment of Industrial Buildings, whether the owners of the subject industrial building had undertaken building maintenance works after URA had acquired part of the building's property ownerships, and whether URA had paid for the relevant works; if yes, the details;</p> <p>(d) whether URA would consider extending the scope of the "Smart Tender"</p>	

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		<p>Building Rehabilitation Facilitating Services Scheme ("Smart Tender Scheme") to assist owners' corporations of private buildings in the procurement of consultancy services for carrying out building rehabilitation works, including arranging an independent adviser to offer professional and technical advice and to give an assessment on the market price of the tender; if yes, the implementation details; if not, the reasons; and</p> <p>(e) apart from the Smart Tender Scheme, how URA could step up the efforts in combating bid-rigging in building maintenance works.</p>	