

Panel on Development

List of follow-up actions
(Position as at 28 May 2018)

Subject (Responsible Bureau/Office)	Date of meeting	Follow-up actions required	Administration's response
<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">(i) the brownfield operations thereon which were in existence immediately before the first publication of the draft plans of the "Development Permission Areas" ("DPAs");(ii) sites that were not designated as DPAs;(iii) sites zoned "Undetermined";(iv) enclaves; and(v) government land leased out by Short Term Tenancy for use as open storage. <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. 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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (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; (b) whether the Administration would step up inspections to ensure the building 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; (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; (d) whether and how the Administration would enforce against those cases in 	<p>Administration's response awaited</p>

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		<p>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> <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>	

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<p>4. PWP Item No. 163TB — Kwun Tong Town Centre Redevelopment — provision of grade-separated pedestrian linkages (Development Bureau)</p>	<p>20 December 2017</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</p> <p>(a) while the construction cost of the first phase of PWP Item No. 163TB, i.e. Yuet Wah Street Pedestrian Linkage, was about \$95 million in money-of-the-day ("MOD") prices, an explanation on the much higher estimated cost of about \$153.5 million in MOD prices for the proposed construction of the footbridge across Hip Wo Street near the junction of Hip Wo Street/Mut Wah Street ("the proposed footbridge");</p> <p>(b) given that the proposed footbridge would connect with a footbridge constructed by the Urban Renewal Authority ("URA"), linking the Main Site and the Park Metropolitan of the Kwun Tong Town Centre ("KTTC") Redevelopment Project to form an integrated footbridge system, (i) whether the Administration would request URA or developer(s) involved in the KTTC Redevelopment Project, to share the construction cost of the proposed footbridge; (ii) the estimated</p>	<p>The Administration's response was issued to members on 9 May 2018 vide LC Paper No. CB(1)933/17-18(01).</p>

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		<p>number of users of the proposed footbridge, and the proportion of those who would be residents of the Park Metropolitan; (iii) the recurrent expenditure including the annual maintenance costs to be incurred for the proposed footbridge and its lift and whether URA would bear the pro-rata share of such costs based on the proportion in (ii); and (iv) a comparison of the construction costs per square metre of the two footbridges;</p> <p>(c) whether the Administration had considered other design options of the proposed footbridge, such as placing the lift and staircase side by side to share the same space on the main deck and shortening the bridge arms, with a view to reducing the construction cost; and</p> <p>(d) the width of the footpath along Mut Wah Street, and that of the residual footpath space after having constructed the staircase of the proposed footbridge, and whether it was feasible to provide a set of escalator and staircase.</p>	

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<p>5. Proposed creation of permanent posts of Chief Landscape Architect in the Civil Engineering and Development Department and Highways Department (Development Bureau, Civil Engineering and Development Department and Highways Department)</p>	<p>27 February 2018</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide supplementary information regarding (a) the mechanism in place for soliciting and incorporating expert views in the landscape design for individual development projects, and (b) details of the Administration's work in the development and uplifting of the urban landscapes of Hong Kong in the past five years.</p>	<p>The Administration's response was issued to members on 14 May 2018 vide LC Paper No. CB(1)958/17-18(01).</p>
<p>6. PWP Item No. 399DS — Relocation of Sha Tin Sewage Treatment Works to Caverns (Development Bureau)</p>	<p>27 March 2018</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</p> <p>(a) mitigating measures for minimizing (i) the odour impact and (ii) the traffic impact on the nearby communities during both construction and operation phases of the proposed relocated Sha Tin Sewage Treatment Works ("STSTW") in caverns;</p> <p>(b) whether the Administration would conduct public consultation on the future</p>	<p>The Administration's response was issued to members on 21 May 2018 vide LC Paper No. CB(1)987/17-18(01).</p>

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		<p>land uses of the existing STSTW site to be vacated; and</p> <p>(c) whether the Administration would implement the planning and development of the vacated STSTW site and the proposed reclamation site at Ma Liu Shui together as a package.</p>	
<p>7. PWP Item No. 172CD — Rehabilitation of Underground Stormwater Drains (Development Bureau)</p>	<p>27 March 2018</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide information on whether the Drainage Services Department had made use of the technologies adopted for the Water Intelligent Network (i.e. a system to monitor the performance of water distribution network by utilizing advanced technologies) to monitor the conditions of the underground stormwater drains.</p>	<p>The Administration's response was issued to members on 9 May 2018 vide LC Paper No. CB(1)934/17-18(01).</p>
<p>8. Harbourfront Enhancement (Development Bureau)</p>	<p>24 April 2018</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide information on the progress on setting aside a site at Chi Kiang Street, which was reserved for the future extension of Hoi Sham Park in To Kwa Wan, for temporary vehicle parking purpose.</p>	<p>Administration's response awaited</p>

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<p>9. PWP Item No. 357WF — Design and Construction for First Stage of Desalination Plant at Tseung Kwan O ("TKO") (Development Bureau and Water Supplies Department)</p>	<p>24 April 2018</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) whether the existing TKO Fresh Water Primary Service Reservoir had adequate capacity to cater for the ultimate water production capacity of the proposed desalination plant at 270 000 cubic metres per day; (b) whether, after deducting the capital cost for the construction of the proposed desalination plant, the estimated unit water production cost of seawater desalination in Hong Kong would be lower than the unit cost of importing Dongjiang water (including the purchase cost and water treatment cost); (c) the Government's planned objectives of diversifying water sources, in terms of the target proportions of the various water supply sources, viz. desalination, Dongjiang water, and local catchment water, etc.; 	<p>Administration's response awaited</p>

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		<p>(d) a projection on the annual total fresh water consumption of Hong Kong in the next 10 years; and</p> <p>(e) in the funding proposal to be submitted to the Public Works Subcommittee, the Administration's response on (i) the progress of the discussion with the Hong Kong and China Gas Company Limited regarding the feasibility of utilizing the methane gas generated from the Southeast New Territories landfill to provide electricity supply to the proposed desalination plant; (ii) whether it was feasible to use renewable energy (such as solar energy) to reduce the water production cost of seawater desalination; and (iii) whether and how the Administration would encourage the future contractor to adopt renewable energy in operating the proposed desalination plant.</p>	