Panel on Environmental Affairs

List of outstanding items for discussion (position as at 26 October 2017)

Proposed timing for discussion

1. Expansion of Sha Tau Kok Sewage Treatment Works and provision of Village Sewerage in Tong To, Lei Yue Mun Village and Peng Chau

27 November 2017

To seek the Panel's support for the proposal to upgrade the following sewerage items to Category A:

- (a) 4392DS Expansion of Sha Tau Kok Sewage Treatment Works Phase 1;
- (b) 4345DS North District Sewerage Stage 2 Part 2A Village Sewerage for Tong To;
- (c) 4398DS Sewerage to Lei Yue Mun Village; and
- (d) Part of 4343DS Outlying Islands Sewerage Stage 2 Peng Chau Village Sewerage Phase 2.

The Administration intends to submit the proposal to the Public Works Subcommittee and the Finance Committee in January and May 2018 respectively.

2. Measures to assist the recycling industry to meet the Mainland's tightened requirements for import recyclables

27 November 2017

The Administration will brief the Panel on the host of initiatives to upgrade the local recycling industry and strengthen waste reduction and recycling support at the community level, in order to rise to the challenges presented by meeting the Mainland's tightened requirement for import recyclables which will gradually take effect from early 2018 onwards.

3. Improving the water quality in Hong Kong

22 January 2018

Mr Steven HO wrote to the Panel Chairman on 30 March 2016 (LC Paper No. CB(1)735/15-16(02) issued on 31 March 2016) proposing discussion on the deteriorating water quality of Shing Mun River and Tolo Harbour.

Proposed timing for discussion

Dr Elizabeth QUAT wrote to the Panel Chairman on 20 October 2016 (LC Paper No. CB(1)30/16-17(01) issued on 20 October 2016) proposing discussion on the water quality of Shing Mun River.

Dr Priscilla LEUNG wrote to the Panel Chairman on 19 October 2016 (LC Paper No. CB(1)24/16-17(01) issued on 20 October 2016) proposing discussion on improving the water quality of Victoria Harbour.

4. Control of indoor air quality

The item was proposed by Dr Helena WONG at the meeting of 18 October 2016. Members would like to discuss issues relating to the control of indoor air quality, including setting indoor air quality objectives, and establishing standards for hazardous emissions from household furniture.

1st quarter of 2018 (tentative)

5. Update on the progress of preparation for implementing Producer Responsibility Scheme on Glass Beverage Containers

1st quarter of 2018 (tentative)

The Administration plans to consult the Panel on the legislative proposal in the first quarter of 2018.

6. Implementation of Organic Resources Recovery Centre Phase 2

1st or 2nd quarter of 2018 (tentative)

The Administration plans to seek the Panel's support for funding approval from the Public Works Subcommittee/Finance Committee for the implementation of Organic Resources Recovery Centre Phase 2. The Administration will also brief the Panel on the progress of the overall food waste management plan.

7. Management of marine fill and marine disposal of dredged/excavated sediment

2nd quarter of 2018 (tentative)

The Administration will brief the Panel on the management of marine fill and disposal of dredged/excavated sediments by the project owners.

Proposed timing for discussion

The subject was raised by Mr Steven HO at the meeting on 15 December 2014.

At the meeting on 28 November 2016, Mr LEUNG Yiu-chung suggested the Panel to discuss the environmental issues relating to illegal disposal of construction and demolition materials into the sea/river. The Administration advised that these issues could be discussed under this item.

8. Review of the Environmental Impact Assessment Ordinance (Cap. 499)

Mr Kenneth LEUNG wrote to the Panel Chairman on 24 November 2015 (LC Paper No. CB(1)202/15-16(01) issued on 26 November 2015) proposing discussion on the captioned subject. The Administration' response was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(1)537/15-16(01) issued on 3 February 2016.

9. Implementation of the Integrated Waste Management Facility

To be confirmed

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The Public Accounts Committee issued a referral memorandum dated 16 February 2017 recommending the Panel to follow up on issues relating to the captioned subject.

10. Existing policies on bicycles and promoting bicycles as a mode of transport

To be confirmed

Mr HUI Chi-fung wrote to the Panel Chairman on 23 May 2017 (LC Paper No. CB(1)1009/16-17 issued on 24 May 2017) proposing to hold a joint meeting with the Panel on Transport to discuss issues relating to the existing policies on bicycles and promoting bicycles as a mode of transport.

Separately, an item on "Cycling safety and consultancy study on cycling networks and parking facilities in existing new towns" is currently on the list of outstanding items for discussion of the Panel on Transport. The Administration will provide an information paper on the issue to the Panel on Transport in due course.

Proposed timing for discussion

11. Environmental impacts on Hong Kong arising from disposal of chemicals into Dasha River

Mr Steven HO Chun-yin wrote to the Panel Chairman on 5 February 2016 (LC Paper No. CB(1)551/15-16(01) issued on 5 February 2016) proposing discussion on the captioned subject. The Administration's written responses were issued vide LC Paper Nos. CB(1)589/15-16(01) and CB(1)805/15-16(01) on 23 February 2016 and 18 April 2016 respectively.

As agreed at the meeting on 28 November 2016, the Administration was requested to provide a further written response, if appropriate, on this item.

The Administration proposed to delete the item since there unlikely any adverse environmental impacts Kong Hong the waters after the one-off incident.

12. Development of an artificial bathing beach at Lung Mei in Tai Po

Letter from Save Lung Mei Alliance on 25 October 2016 requesting the Panel on Environmental Affairs and the Panel on Development to discuss and monitor the captioned issue (LC Paper No. CB(1)42/16-17(01) issued on 4 November 2016).

As agreed at the work plan meeting on 7 November 2016, the Environment Bureau/Environmental Protection Department will liaise with the relevant bureau or department to provide an information paper on the latest development of the matter.

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