Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene

List of follow-up actions (position as at 4 May 2018)

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| Work on the review of export control on powdered formulae | 9 January 2018 | The Administration was requested to provide the following information: (a) among the 60,000,000 kg of powdered formulae imported into Hong Kong in 2016, the volume of powdered formulae re-exported to the Mainland in the same year; and (b) whether consideration would be given to enhancing public education on the nutritional need of infants and young children aged between 12 to 36 months to reduce the reliance of local parents on powdered formulae products. | Response from the Administration awaited. |
| 2. Safety control for imported fruits and vegetables | 13 February 2018 | During the discussion on the Administration's response to the Office of The Ombudsman's direct investigation report on Food and Environmental Hygiene Department's system of safety control for imported fruits and vegetables, members requested the Administration to provide the following information: | Response from the Administration awaited. |

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| | | (a) whether the Centre for Food Safety ("CFS") had any plan to collect more samples of fruits, vegetables and related products imported by land/sea for testing under its Food Surveillance Programme and if yes, the anticipated increase in the number of samples to be collected for testing in 2018; | |
| | | (b) regarding the collection of samples of fruits and vegetables in storage compartments of lorries at Man Kam To Food Control Point, details of the new sampling procedure to be adopted by CFS and the respective percentages of samples planned to be taken at different parts of storage compartments of lorries (e.g. near the door of the compartment, at the middle, inner and higher part of the compartment); and | |
| | | (c) details of the testing and inspections (e.g. steps and procedures included) conducted by CFS and/or Vegetable Marketing Organization on (i) local vegetables and (ii) vegetables imported from the Mainland. | |

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| 3. | Expansion of Wo Hop Shek Crematorium | 13 February 2018 | The Administration was requested to provide information on the traffic impact (including the existing and anticipated pedestrian and traffic flow) arising from the provision of two new body cremators and one new multi-purpose service hall within the existing Wo Hop Shek Crematorium. | The Administration's response was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1189/17-18(01) on 10 April 2018. |
| 4. | Provision of columbarium at Cape Collinson Road in Chai Wan | 13 March 2018 | The Administration was requested to provide in the relevant funding proposal to be submitted to the Public Works Subcommittee the following information: (a) details of (i) the traffic improvement measures to be taken by the Administration to cope with additional traffic and pedestrian flow arising from the provision of a columbarium block at Cape Collinson Road in Chai Wan and (ii) the greening works and environmental mitigation measures associated with the proposed project; (b) whether consideration would be given to including in the proposed works project the provision of lift service connecting Cape Collinson Road and San Ha Street, in addition to the | The Chinese version of the Administration's response was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1290/17-18(01) on 26 April 2018. |

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| | | construction of a pedestrian access route with escalators and stairways, and if yes, details of the plan; and | |
| | | (c) whether (i) energy saving installations/ renewable energy facilities and (ii) drinking fountains would be provided at the columbarium block and if yes, the details. | |
| | | The Administration was also requested to revert to the Panel on the progress of and the timetable for taking forward other proposed public columbarium developments in the 24 sites identified under the District-based Columbarium Development Scheme. | |
| 5. Installation of air-conditioning ("A/C") system at Tai Wai Market | 13 March 2018 | The Administration was requested to provide in the relevant funding proposal to be submitted to the Public Works Subcommittee the following information: | The Administration's response was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1332/17-18(01) on 3 May 2018. |
| | | (a) whether effort could be made to expedite the installation of the A/C system at Tai Wai Market with a view to compressing the works timetable and shortening the full market closure to not more than six months and if yes, | |

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| | | details of the Administration's plan in this regards; and (b) measures to be taken by the Administration for enhancing the coordination among government departments involved in the installation of the A/C system at Tai Wai Market. | |
| 6. New allocation arrangement for public niches | 10 April 2018 | The Administration was requested to provide the Panel with the following information: (a) regarding the proposed extendable arrangement for the use of niches, (i) details of the interim measures to be introduced for handling interred ashes that had to be removed from public niches after the expiry of the interment period and (ii) the available choices of final disposal other than the ash disposal methods as set out in paragraph (d) of Annex A to LC Paper No. CB(2)1157/17-18(04), e.g. providing temporary storage of ashes in government facilities; | The Administration's interim response was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1236/17-18(01) on 18 April 2018. |

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| | | (b) the amount of the proposed new fees for extendable standard and large niches, respectively for (i) the initial 20-year interment period; (ii) subsequent co-location of ashes of the second deceased for initial interment and (iii) each 10-year extension period thereafter (preferably with examples to illustrate the fee proposals in different scenarios as set out in paragraph 6 of LC Paper No. CB(2)1157/17-18(04); | |
| | | (c) whether the Administration would reconsider members' suggestion that organizations or community bodies could be nominated as niche allocatees or their representatives to apply for extension of interment by the expiry of the interment period; and | |
| | | (d) the Administration's publicity efforts to advise the public on the new allocation arrangement, including the extendable arrangement for the use of niches, the allocation of niches by computer balloting on a random basis and the proposal to give additional ballot | |

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| | | weighting to specified groups of applications. | |
| 7. The liquor licensing regime | 10 April 2018 | The Administration was requested to provide the following information: (a) the measures to be taken by the Administration to (i) address the nuisances caused by the operation of bars to the surrounding environment and (ii) effectively handle complaints lodged by the public against bars and restaurants; (b) the number of liquor licence applications rejected by the Liquor Licensing Board ("LLB") in the past three years due to adverse comments/ objections received from members of the public or the relevant government departments (e.g. the Police); (c) the number of cases (in the past three years, breakdown by new application and licence renewal) in which LLB had imposed additional conditions on the licensed premises, after taking into account the advice from the relevant | Response from the Administration awaited. |

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| | | | government departments and the views received during the consultation; and | |
| | | | (d) the overall direction and the outcome of the Administration's review of matters related to LLB and the liquor licensing regime. | |
| 8. | Proposed implementation of the Convention on the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources in Hong Kong | 10 April 2018 | The Administration was requested to provide a list of business entities engaging in the trading (import, export and re-export) of toothfish in Hong Kong. | The Administration's response was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1320/17-18(01) on 2 May 2018. |

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