

To the Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene

Regarding to new allocation arrangement for public niches, here are my concerns and feedbacks:

1. For the new allocation arrangement, would religious groups, lucrative private organization or non-family member be eligible to apply for niche extension? This provides an alternative for those wish to adopt traditional Chinese way of burial yet without children or without family members around. But it may also be manipulated by other parties.
2. Referring to the panel document (page 3, #7a), the website of FEHD's Internet Memorial Service is not user-friendly. I cannot even open its demonstration video unless I must download adobe flash player.
3. Referring to the panel document (page 3, #7d), I know that FEHD will make effort to seek contact with related persons. But I doubt that publishing notices in the Government Gazette or newspapers have very little impact. I recommend FEHD that:
 - To enable relevant persons to create an account for their deceased, to apply an extension for interment periods online and to check record for the remaining interment periods;
 - To allow more than one relevant person to register for their deceased so as to enable FEHD to make contact with the relevant persons easier.

Older or non-technology savvy persons should be able to seek help from some government departments for the use of Internet Memorial Service

4. Referring to the panel document (page 3, #7e,f), please explain the way of disposal of the un-register or non-extend ashes. Would FEHD promise to handle the ashes with care; by the method of green burial instead of disposing it at the landfill?

Thank you.

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