### **Panel on Housing**

## List of outstanding items for discussion (Position as at 9 October 2017)

Proposed timing for discussion

1. Head 711 project no. B189TB - Extension of footbridge and cycle parking area at Choi Yuen Road, Sheung Shui

November 2017

The Administration would like to seek members' views on upgrading the above works project to Category A, with a view to seeking endorsement of the Public Works Subcommittee in January 2018 and funding approval of the Finance Committee in February 2018 thereafter, in order to tie in with the public housing development at Choi Yuen Road.

2. Head 711 project no. B780CL - Site formation and infrastructure works for public housing development at Wang Chau, Yuen Long

November 2017

The Administration would like to seek members' views on upgrading the above works project to Category A, with a view to seeking endorsement of the Public Works Subcommittee in December 2017 and funding approval of the Finance Committee in January 2018 thereafter, in order to tie in with the public housing development at Wang Chau, Yuen Long.

### 3. Regulation of sale of overseas properties

To be confirmed

Mr James TO and Hon Andrew WAN jointly submitted a letter dated 16 May 2017 (LC Paper No. CB(1)966/16-17(01)) regarding regulation of sale of overseas properties. An information note on the same subject was published by the Research Office of the Secretariat (IN10/16-17) on 26 April 2017. The Administration's response to the joint letter was provided vide paragraphs 32 to 36 of LC Paper No. CB(1)1452/16-17(01), which was issued to members on 6 October 2017.

At the meeting on 5 June 2017, the Panel agreed that the subject be included in the Panel's "list of outstanding items for discussion" for members' consideration in the 2017-2018 session.

# 4. Rent adjustment mechanism for rental units and rent relief measures of the Hong Kong Housing Society

To be confirmed

The Panel discussed the item at the meeting on 3 July 2017. At the same meeting, Hon KWOK Wai-keung suggested that the Panel should receive public views on the subject at a meeting in 2017-2018 session, and the Panel agreed that the relevant item should be included in the Panel's "list of outstanding items for discussion" for members' consideration in 2017-2018 session.

## 5. Policies on tackling under-occupation in public rental housing estates and overcrowding relief measures

See Note (1)

At the work plan meeting on 27 November 2014, members requested the Administration to review the policies, standards and measures of under-occupation in public rental housing estates, and the enforcement of which may lead to overcrowding in cases of changes in family circumstances, and to report to the Panel.

At the Panel meeting on 18 October 2016, Hon Wilson OR Chong-shing requested to discuss the review of the policies on tackling under-occupation in public rental housing estates and overcrowding relief measures. At the same meeting, Hon LUK Chung-hung requested for a briefing on the policy in the provision of overcrowding relief.

## 6. Income and net assets declarations by public rental housing tenants

See Note (1)

The item was requested by Hon Wilson OR Chong-shing at the Panel meeting on 18 October 2016. The Panel discussed the item "Review of income and asset limits for public rental housing for 2017-18" at the meeting on 6 March 2017.

#### 7. Review of the "Well-off Tenants Policies"

See Note (1)

Arising from the discussion at the Panel meeting on 1 November 2010 on "Stepped-up checking of household income and assets of public rental housing tenants", members considered that the Administration should review the policy on Safeguarding Rational Allocation of Public Housing Resources lest this might force grown-up children to move out from their parents' public rental housing units.

At the Panel meeting on 10 October 2013, members expressed the view that the income and asset limits under the "Well-off Tenants Policies" should be reviewed to ensure that they were in step with current situation in the market and society, and to safeguard the rational allocation of public housing resources.

The Panel held a special meeting on 24 January 2017 to discuss with the Administration and receive public views on the Hong Kong Housing Authority's measures to refine the "Well-off Tenants Policies".

### 8. Briefing on various housing schemes

See Note (1)

At the Panel meeting on 15 October 2015, Hon Albert CHAN Wai-yip requested to be briefed on the latest development of and application figures for various housing schemes, including express flat allocation, overcrowding relief, transfer, etc.

#### 9. Re-launch of the Tenant Purchase Scheme

To be confirmed *See Note* (2)

At the Panel meeting on 18 October 2016, Hon LAU Kwok-fan requested to discuss with the Administration the re-launching of the Tenant Purchase Scheme.

## 10. Policy on the redevelopment of old public rental housing estates

To be confirmed See Note (2)

At the work plan meeting on 25 October 2012, members requested the Administration to consider formulating a policy on redeveloping old public rental housing estates. In her letter dated 3 April 2014, Hon Alice MAK Mei-kuen requested the Administration to brief the Panel on the progress made in studying the redevelopment potential of Kwai Shing West Estate and related matters, such as the redevelopment proposal and rehousing arrangements (LC Paper No. CB(1)1206/13-14(01) issued on 4 April 2014).

### 11. Sale of public rental housing

To be confirmed *See Note* (2)

At the Panel meeting on 15 October 2015, Hon LEUNG Che-cheung requested to receive a briefing on the Government's policy direction as well as the management issues encountered in implementing the existing public rental housing flat sale schemes.

### 12. Rent adjustment mechanism for public rental housing

To be confirmed

At the Panel meeting on 18 October 2016, Hon Wilson OR Chong-shing requested to discuss with the Administration a review of the rent adjustment mechanism for public rental housing.

### 13. Public housing development at San Hing Road, Tuen Mun

To be confirmed

At the Panel meeting on 18 October 2016, Hon Andrew WAN Siu-kin requested to discuss with the Administration issues relating to the public housing development at San Hing Road, Tuen Mun. At the work plan meeting held on 27 October 2016, the Administration agreed to provide a paper on the subject. The Administration's response was provided vide paragraphs 2 to 3 of LC Paper No. CB(1)1452/16-17(01), which was issued to members on 6 October 2017.

### 14. Home Ownership Scheme Secondary Market

To be confirmed

At the Panel meeting on 18 October 2016, Hon LAU Kwok-fan requested to discuss with the Administration the enhancement measures for the Home Ownership Scheme Secondary Market.

## 15. Update on the implementation of the Quota and Points System

To be confirmed

In his letter dated 18 December 2015, Hon WONG Kwok-hing suggested the Panel should follow up on the implementation of the Quota and Points System following the refinements introduced in February 2015 (LC Paper No. CB(1)345/15-16(01) issued on 21 December 2015).

- Note (1): As suggested by the Administration at the work plan meeting held on 27 October 2016, the discussion on subject matters of items no. 5 to 8 were subsumed under the agenda item "Hong Kong Housing Authority's measures to maximise the rational use of public rental housing resources" at the meeting on 9 January 2017.
- Note (2): At the work plan meeting held on 27 October 2016, the Administration agreed to provide a paper on the Administration's positions in respect of the subject matters of items no. 9 to 11. The Administration's response was provided vide paragraphs 4 to 12 of LC Paper No. CB(1)1452/16-17(01), which was issued to members on 6 October 2017.

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