

Panel on Development

List of follow-up actions

(Position as at 18 December 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 a member'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. 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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3. Harbourfront Enhancement (Development Bureau)	24 April 2018	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.	Administration's response awaited
4. PWP Item No. 357WF — Design and Construction for First Stage of Desalination Plant at Tseung Kwan O ("TKO") (Development Bureau and Water Supplies Department)	24 April 2018	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</p> <p>(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;</p> <p>(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);</p>	Administration's response awaited

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		<p>(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> <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</p>	

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		energy in operating the proposed desalination plant.	
5. Proposed enhancements to the general ex-gratia compensation and rehousing arrangements for Government's development clearance exercises (Development Bureau)	29 May 2018	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</p> <p>(a) detailed breakdowns of the number of households affected by the Government's development clearance exercises for the Kwu Tong North and Fanling North New Development Areas projects by the types of the affected households, such as occupants of surveyed/licenced domestic/non-domestic structures and unauthorized structures (i.e. other than those tolerated by virtue of the 1982 Squatter Control Survey/licence status), and among them those who were covered/not covered in the freezing survey conducted in 2014, and those who were tenants, etc.;</p> <p>(b) the additional number of affected households and business undertakings expected to be benefited upon the implementation of the proposed enhancements to the general ex-gratia</p>	<p>The Chinese version of the Administration's response was issued to members on 13 July 2018 vide LC Paper No. CB(1)1262/17-18(01). The English version of the Administration's response was issued to members on 21 November 2018 vide LC Paper No. CB(1)201/18-19.</p>

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		<p>compensation and rehousing ("C&R") arrangements;</p> <p>(c) whether the proposed one-off voluntary registration exercise would help impede eviction of those long-term occupants of the surveyed/licenced non-domestic structures by their landowners prior to the clearance of the site to be developed, so as not to render these occupants ineligible for any compensation;</p> <p>(d) the Administration's support for and communication with those clearance affectees who could not be benefited despite implementation of the proposed enhancements to the C&R arrangements;</p> <p>(e) whether an option of village resite would be offered to the affected non-indigenous villagers;</p> <p>(f) the arrangement for resettling the household pets and other domestic animals kept in the local community affected by land resumption and clearance exercises; and</p>	

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		(g) whether the Administration would consider reviewing the calculation basis of the prevailing ex-gratia compensation for farmers affected by land resumption and clearance, with a view to providing them with adequate amounts of compensation for pursuing agricultural rehabilitation.	
6. Receiving public views on "Planning for land supply in Hong Kong" (Development Bureau)	19 September 2018	The Administration was requested to provide a response on whether a full version, with necessary redaction of third party information or sensitive data, of the Strategic Environmental Assessment Report — Reclamation Sites ("the SEA Report") of the Increasing Land Supply by Reclamation and Rock Cavern Development cum Public Engagement — Feasibility Study commissioned by the Civil Engineering and Development Department in 2011 could be provided for members' perusal; and if so, the redacted full version of the SEA Report.	The Administration's response was issued to members on 14 December 2018 vide LC Paper No. CB(1)339/18-19(01).

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7. Briefing by the Secretary for Development on the Chief Executive's 2018 Policy Address (Development Bureau)	23 October 2018	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</p> <p>(a) details of the reclamation projects carried out in Hong Kong since 1980s, including the area of land created, project cost, and the economic benefits of the respective projects; and</p> <p>(b) the application criteria and assessment mechanism of the Land Sharing Pilot Scheme.</p>	Administration's response awaited
8. Capital Works Reserve Fund block allocations for 2019-2020 (Development Bureau)	27 November 2018	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</p> <p><u>Head 701 Subhead 1100CA</u></p> <p>(a) the scope of expenditure involved in respect of the item on Hong Kong section of Guangzhou-Shenzhen-Hong Kong Express Rail Link;</p> <p><u>Head 703 Subhead 3101GX</u></p> <p>(b) in respect of the item on proposed conversion of the existing vacant school</p>	The Chinese version of the Administration's response was issued to members on 11 December 2018 vide LC Paper No. CB(1)317/18-19(01).

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		<p>premises for setting up of a new integrated vocational training centre at 1D Oxford Road, Kowloon Tong, the details including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the age and floor area of the vacant school premises; and (ii) a comparison of the age and floor area of the vacant school premises and the existing building of the Shine Skills Centre (Kwun Tong); <p>(c) in respect of the item on alteration and improvement works for Y Loft of Youth Square, Chai Wan, the details including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the scope of and justifications for the improvement works; and (ii) whether the cost of the improvement works would be borne by the operator of Y Loft under the tenancy agreement signed between the operator and the Government; 	

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		<p><u>Head 705 Subhead 5101CX</u></p> <p>(d) in respect of the item on further studies on climate change with Hong Kong Observatory, details of the studies including the scope and timetable;</p> <p>(e) outcomes of the Technical Study on Transport Infrastructure at Kennedy Town for Connecting to East Lantau Metropolis;</p> <p><u>Head 706 Subhead 6100TX</u></p> <p>(f) in respect of the item on pedestrian subways in Causeway Bay — feasibility study, details of the study including the scope and timetable, and whether the objections from the local residents would be considered in the study;</p> <p><u>Head 707 Subhead 7016CX</u></p> <p>(g) whether the Administration had conducted value-for-money assessments on the works projects commenced in the last three years under the District Minor</p>	

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		<p>Works Programme; if it had, the results of the assessments;</p> <p>(h) a list of the minor works projects for carrying out repair works for the public facilities damaged in the super typhoon Mangkhut in September 2018;</p> <p><u>Head 707 Subhead 7100CX</u></p> <p>(i) in respect of the item on boardwalk underneath the Island Eastern Corridor — detailed design, reasons for the significant increase in the project estimate from \$12.82 million under the proposed allocation in 2018-19 to \$14.51 million under the proposed allocation in 2019-2020;</p> <p><u>Head 708 Subhead 8100EX</u></p> <p>(j) in respect of the items for alterations, additions, repairs and improvements to the campuses of the University Grants Committee-funded institutions, a list of the projects with the total cost exceeding the subsidy limit of \$30 million, together</p>	

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		<p>with the amount of the additional cost paid by the universities on their own funding for each of the projects;</p> <p><u>Head 709 Subhead 9100WX</u></p> <p>(k) details including the scope and timetable in respect of the item on the improvement to the water meters in Kowloon district, 2019-2020 Programme; and</p> <p>(l) in respect of the item on risk-based improvement of fresh water main along Farm Road and Ma Tau Chung Road, Kowloon City, the distribution and location of the water mains included in the improvement programme.</p>	
<p>9. Strengthening cost management and uplifting performance of public works projects (Development Bureau)</p>	<p>27 November 2018</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</p> <p>(a) in respect of the cost saving of \$27 billion achieved by the Project Cost Management Office after scrutinizing 130 projects:</p> <p>(i) the breakdown of the cost saved in terms of types of works (i.e. civil</p>	<p>The Administration's response was issued to members on 17 December 2018 vide LC Paper No. CB(1)347/18-19(01).</p>

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		<p>engineering works or building works) and types of/reasons for cost saved (e.g. labour cost, material cost, optimization of design or work process, etc.);</p> <p>(ii) the number of projects which had been completed; whether these projects were completed within budget; and whether the cost saving was attributed to the fact that the actual expenditure on contingencies was less than the budgeted amount;</p> <p>(b) in respect of the training programme of the Centre of Excellence for Major Project Leaders, the rank/grade of officers who would be eligible for participating in the training programme; how these officers would be selected; and details of the training programme; and</p> <p>(c) the role of the proposed Project Strategy and Governance Office ("PSGO") in:</p> <p>(i) cost surveillance and project governance of construction of railway</p>	

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		<p>works projects entrusted to the MTR Corporation Limited;</p> <p>(ii) minimizing the risk of budget overrun and the need for seeking approval for supplementary provisions for public works projects;</p> <p>(iii) the inception stage of public works projects involving high estimated cost (such as the Lantau Tomorrow Vision) in terms of cost management and control, and whether PSGO would advise on the merits of the proposed public works projects in terms of cost effectiveness.</p>	