

**Extracts from the minutes of the meeting of the
Panel on Environmental Affairs on 25 June 2018**

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II. Information papers issued since last meeting

2. Members noted that the following papers had been issued since the last meeting:

(LC Paper No. CB(1)1023/17-18(01) — Letter dated 25 May 2018 from Hon Kenneth LEUNG on the restored landfills management policy (Chinese version only)

LC Paper No. CB(1)1058/17-18(01) — Letter dated 28 May 2018 from Hon HUI Chi-fung on the proposal to conduct an overseas duty visit to study recycling facilities and operations (Chinese version only)

LC Paper No. CB(1)1084/17-18(01) — Letter dated 6 June 2018 from Hon HUI Chi-fung on the regulation of single-use plastic products (Chinese version only)

LC Paper No. CB(1)1105/17-18(01) — Letter dated 8 June 2018 from Hon CHAN Hak-kan on the review of the operation and effectiveness of the Recycling Fund (Chinese version only)

LC Paper No. CB(1)1151/17-18(01) — Referral memorandum from the Public

Action

Complaints Office of the
Legislative Council
Secretariat on emission
control for non-road
mobile machinery
(Chinese version only)
(Restricted to Members))

3. The Chairman remarked that as proposed by Mr Kenneth LEUNG, Mr HUI Chi-fung and Mr CHAN Hak-kan, issues related to the management of restored landfills, regulation of single-use plastic products and review of the Recycling Fund had been included in the list of outstanding items for discussion. She invited Mr HUI to explain his proposal to conduct an overseas duty visit (vide LC Paper No. CB(1)1058/17-18(01)) and sought members' views on the proposal.

4. Mr HUI Chi-fung explained that the Mainland had tightened the requirements for import recyclables and there was a lack of recycling facilities in Hong Kong. As such, there were insufficient outlets for locally-generated recyclables that were of low economic value, especially waste plastics. As large-scale recycling facilities had been developed in some overseas places, he suggested the Panel conduct a duty visit to those places to study their experiences in the development of the recycling facilities and the recycling industry, including collaboration between the governments and recyclers in raising the recycling rates.

5. In addition to the above, Mr HUI Chi-fung and the Chairman suggested the visit programme include a study on the development of renewable energy that had a higher potential to be developed in Hong Kong (such as solar power), and overseas experiences in implementing feed-in tariff schemes. Mr Kenneth LEUNG suggested studying the practices of the selected places in the development and management of restored landfills.

6. The Chairman advised that the proposed duty visit might be conducted in the next legislative session. Members agreed that the Research Office of the Legislative Council Secretariat be requested to prepare information notes on the matters raised by members in paragraphs 4 and 5 above for the Panel's further consideration of the proposed duty visit.

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