

Panel on Food Safety and Environmental Hygiene

List of follow-up actions
(position as at 5 December 2018)

Subject	Date of meeting	Follow-up action required	Administration's response
1. Issues relating to the proposed establishment of the Agricultural Park ("the Agri-Park")	5 October 2018	<p>The Administration was requested to provide a detailed consolidated response to views raised by members and deputations at the special meeting and expressed in written submissions received, including:</p> <p>(a) the justifications for constructing a single two-lane carriageway, as gazetted on 3 November 2017, for the Agri-Park Phase 1;</p> <p>(b) whether the alternative road works option put forward by a deputation as set out in LC Paper No. CB(2)2065/17-18(06) would be considered; and</p> <p>(c) the criteria for determining the rent and standard tenancy period (i.e. 5 years) for leasing the farmland in the Agri-Park for cultivation, as well as the criteria for renewal of tenancy agreements.</p>	The Administration's response was circulated vide LC Paper No. CB(2)255/18-19 on 14 November 2018.
2. Mosquito and rodent control work	13 November 2018	The Administration was requested to provide the following information:	Response from the Administration awaited.

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		<p>(a) the increase in manpower resources in the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department ("FEHD") in recent years for enhancing the supervision and monitoring of pest control work carried out by outsourced service contractors;</p> <p>(b) in relation to rodent prevention and control work, (i) the respective numbers of dead rodents cleared, live rodents caught and rat holes destroyed, with a breakdown by district, as well as follow-up actions taken after the completion of the first and second phases of the anti-rodent operations in designated target areas launched in June and October 2018; and (ii) the total numbers of rodents cleared/caught, rat holes destroyed and warnings issued for the years 2016 and 2017 respectively;</p> <p>(c) detailed results of FEHD's assessment of new technologies/methods for pest control purposes, presented in tabular form, covering (i) types of technological products tested by FEHD; (ii) how and when the tests were conducted; and (iii) findings of the tests;</p>	

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		<p>(d) whether the use of any specific rodent control product/technique was bound by law to refuse its application; and</p> <p>(e) whether FEHD would (i) set a concrete target for elimination of rodent infestation; (ii) commission a consultancy study with a view to strengthening FEHD's rodent prevention and control work; and (iii) work hand in hand with the Housing Department to step up anti-rodent operations in all public housing estates and if yes, the timetable and implementation details.</p>	
<p>3. Post-typhoon follow-up efforts under the purview of FEHD</p>	<p>13 November 2018</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</p> <p>(a) a breakdown by nature of the 979 cases in which default notices were issued to outsourced service contractors in the 2017-2018 financial year for default in performance under the service contracts or breach of contractual obligations (including cases where the contractors failed to provide sufficient tools/equipment and appropriate protective gear, such as working clothes and</p>	<p>Response from the Administration awaited.</p>

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		<p>gloves, for their staff to perform the cleansing duties) and the corresponding follow-up actions taken by FEHD against the default cases;</p> <p>(b) whether FEHD would list out in its public cleansing service contracts tools and equipment as well as protective gear that must be provided/were recommended to be provided by outsourced service contractors for their staff to perform the cleansing duties and if yes, what the items were; and</p> <p>(c) outcome of the review coordinated by the Security Bureau on the handling of super typhoons (once available), highlighting the parts relevant to FEHD including measures to be adopted to ensure that FEHD's outsourced service contractors would have sufficient resources and manpower to handle the cleansing work after the passage of super typhoons.</p>	