

**Panel on Public Service**

**List of outstanding items for discussion**

(Position as at 12 October 2018)

**Proposed timing  
for discussion**

**1. Non-civil service contract staff**

The Administration proposes to brief members on the employment of non-civil service contract staff within the Government.

November 2018

**2. The Civil Service Outstanding Service Award and other commendation schemes for civil servants**

The Administration proposes to brief members on the Civil Service Outstanding Service Award and other commendation schemes for civil servants.

November 2018

**3. Proposed amendments to subsidiary legislation on discipline made under Disciplined Services Ordinances**

The Administration proposes to update members on the proposed amendments to the subsidiary legislation on discipline made under Disciplined Services Ordinances.

To be confirmed

**4. Meal break arrangement for the Ambulanceman Grade in the Fire Services Department ("FSD")**

In response to a submission dated 7 May 2014 from the Hong Kong Fire Services Department Ambulancemen's Union requesting the Panel to discuss the meal break arrangement for the Ambulanceman Grade in FSD (LC Paper No. CB(4)654/13-14), the Panel agreed at its meeting held on 19 May 2014 to discuss the issue at a future meeting.

To be confirmed

The Administration's response on the issue raised in the submission (LC Paper No. CB(4)775/13-14) dated 4 June 2014 was issued to members on 6 June 2014.

**Proposed timing  
for discussion**

At the Panel meeting on 18 October 2016, Dr Hon Pierre CHAN proposed that this item should be discussed as early as possible.

Hon LAM Cheuk-ting wrote to the Panel on 4 May 2017 requesting that this item should be discussed as early as possible.

The Administration has provided an information note on the issue to the Panel (LC Paper No. CB(4)1506/16-17(01) was issued to members on 8 August 2017).

The Administration has further provided an information note setting out the latest situation of the meal break arrangements for ambulancemen of FSD (LC Paper No. CB(4)1585/17-18 was issued to members on 28 September 2018).

**5. Grade structure review of disciplined services**

At the meeting on 18 October 2016, Hon Jeremy TAM proposed to discuss the remuneration of fire personnel at a future meeting as their remuneration were lower than those of the police.

To be confirmed

Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan wrote to the Panel Chairman on 10 October 2017 requesting that the Panel should discuss the grade structure review of disciplined services at a future meeting as the Administration had not conducted any such review since 2008.

The Administration's response on the issue raised in Dr CHIANG's letter was issued to members on 7 December 2017 (LC Paper No. CB(4)344/17-18(01)).

At the meeting on 12 October 2017, Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT and Hon Mrs Regina IP supported that a grade structure review of disciplined services, in particular a review of the grades in FSD, should be discussed by the Panel as some staff members of FSD had been calling for an independent review of their grade structure and there had been request for the Administration to upgrade FSD to an emergency service which was better remunerated.

**Proposed timing  
for discussion**

Hon Charles Peter MOK and Hon SHIU Ka-chun wrote to the Panel Chairman on 6 December 2017 requesting the Panel to discuss the alignment of the pay frameworks of all disciplined services departments with that of the Hong Kong Police Force.

The Administration's response on the issue raised in the joint letter was issued to members on 28 December 2017 (LC Paper No. CB(4)416/17-18(01)).

The Chief Executive-in-Council decided at the meeting on 2 October 2018 that the Standing Committee on Disciplined Services Salaries and Conditions of Service should be invited to conduct a grade structure review for the disciplined services grades, and the Standing Committee on Directorate Salaries and Conditions of Service should be invited to advise on the salaries and conditions of service of the heads of the seven departments/agency; and in future, a grade structure review should be conducted for the disciplined services grades once every 10 years. A Legislative Council Brief on Grade Structure Review for the Disciplined Services Grades was issued to Members on 11 October 2018.

At the Panel meeting on 11 October 2018, Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT proposed to discuss the grade structure review to be conducted for the disciplined services grades at a future meeting.

**6. Enactment of legislation to prohibit acts of insulting public officers**

Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan and Dr Hon Elizabeth QUAT wrote a joint letter to the Panel Chairman on 21 March 2017 requesting that the Panel should discuss the enactment of dedicated legislation to prohibit acts of insulting public officers as early as possible.

To be confirmed

At the Panel meeting on 15 May 2017, Dr Hon CHIANG Lai-wan proposed to discuss this issue at a future meeting.

**Proposed timing  
for discussion**

**7. Review of the structure of pilot grade and operations inspector post, and the rank of the Controller of the Government Flying Service**

At the Panel meeting on 12 October 2017, Hon Jeremy TAM proposed to discuss at a future meeting the review of the structure of pilot grade in the Government Flying Service and operations inspector post in the Civil Aviation Department both of which required post-holders to possess professional pilot licences. He was concerned about the recruitment and retention problems for these grades/posts given their small establishment.

To be confirmed

At the same Panel meeting, Hon Jeremy TAM also expressed concern that the rank of the Controller of the Government Flying Service was lower than the rank of the commissioners/directors of other disciplined services and proposed to discuss this issue at a future meeting.

**8. Issues relating to the lifeguards of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department ("LCSD")**

Hon HO Kai-ming wrote a letter to the Panel Chairman on 22 September 2017 expressing concerns relating to the lifeguards of LCSD, including grade structure review, manpower situation of lifeguards and feasibility of LCSD establishing a training school for lifeguards and appointing a Medical Director.

To be confirmed

The Administration's response on the issues raised in the letter was issued to members on 17 November 2017 (LC Paper No. CB(4)234/17-18(01)).