

Panel on Development

List of outstanding items for discussion

(Position as at 17 May 2022)

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(Please also refer to items of Public Works Programme on pages 7 to 8)

1. Work of the Urban Renewal Authority

The Administration will brief members on the progress of the work of the Urban Renewal Authority in 2021-2022 and its plan for the next financial year.

28 June 2022

At the Panel meeting on 25 January 2022, Hon Starry LEE, Hon Vincent CHENG and Ir Hon LEE Chun-keung suggested that the Administration should brief the Panel on the urban renewal of old districts, in particular the progress of redevelopment of Yau Ma Tei and Mong Kok based on the recommendations of the District Study of the two districts, and that of the district planning studies of Tsuen Wan and Sham Shui Po. Members also requested that the Panel be briefed on the measures to enhance building safety of old buildings (including measures to deal with the problems of water seepage and unauthorized building works in old buildings) and assistance provided to building owners to carry out building rehabilitation works.

2. Report on Implementation Progress of Heritage Conservation Initiatives

The Administration will update members on the progress made on various heritage conservation initiatives since its last report in May 2021.

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At the Panel meeting on 25 January 2022, Hon Vincent CHENG suggested that the Administration should brief the Panel on the heritage

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conservation initiatives, including the conservation of the Ex-Sham Shui Po Service Reservoir.

3. Studies on developing multi-storey buildings for brownfield operations

The Administration will brief members on the general direction of the proposed development model for land earmarked for multi-storey buildings which are developed to facilitate the relocation of relevant businesses commonly operating on brownfield sites.

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4. Proposed creation of a time-limited Directorate post in the Planning and Lands Branch of the Development Bureau

The Administration will consult the Panel on the proposed creation of a time-limited directorate post in the Planning and Lands Branch of the Development Bureau to oversee a series of policy initiatives, namely legislative proposals in relation to streamlining development-related statutory processes, proposal on multi-storey buildings in the context of releasing brownfield sites for development, and other planning and lands initiatives including a comprehensive re-planning of Tuen Mun West Area covering technical studies for Lung Kwu Tan reclamation, the Revitalization Scheme of Industrial Buildings, and the Funding Scheme to Support the Use of Vacant Government Sites by Non-government Organizations.

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5. Possible measures to streamline and update the statutory process of compulsory sales

The Administration will brief members on proposals to lower the compulsory sale thresholds and improve the operation under the Land (Compulsory Sale for Redevelopment) Ordinance (Cap. 545) with a view to facilitating redevelopment.

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6. Proposed amendments to the Land Titles Ordinance (Cap. 585)

The Administration will brief members on the proposed amendments to the Land Titles Ordinance for the implementation of the title registration on newly-granted land first.

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7. Adoption of advanced construction technologies

At the Panel meeting on 25 January 2022, Hon LAU Kwok-fan and Hon Andrew LAM suggested that the Administration should brief the Panel on the measures to drive the adoption of advanced construction technologies (such as Building Information Modelling and Modular Integrated Construction) by the construction industry.

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8. Near-shore reclamation proposals

Dr Hon Stephen WONG Yuen-shan wrote to the Chairman on 31 January 2022 (LC Paper No. CB(1)41/2022(01)) expressing views on the near-shore reclamation proposals at four sites (namely Lung Kwu Tan, Ma Liu Shui and Siu Ho Wan and Sunny Bay) and proposed that the Panel should discuss the progress of these reclamation proposals.

Note: The Administration advises that the progress of near-shore reclamation proposals at four sites was briefly reported by the Secretary for Development at the Panel meeting on 10 February 2022. Individual items on these proposals will be put to the Panel for discussion before further submission to the Public Works Subcommittee.

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(i.e. the time when the funding submission to commence study on reclamation of Lung Kwu Tan is put forth for discussion)
(Note)

9. Stage 2 amendments to the Building (Standards of Sanitary Fitments, Plumbing, Drainage Works and Latrines) Regulations (Cap. 123I)

The Administration will brief members on the proposed Stage 2 amendments to repeal the existing

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regulations and make a new regulation. The amendments aim at enhancing the standards for the design and construction of drainage systems in private buildings; transforming the existing prescriptive requirements to performance-based standards, and rationalizing and updating the relevant statutory provisions.

10. Review on the Protection of the Harbour Ordinance (Cap. 531)

Hon Alice MAK suggested that the Administration to brief members on the progress of review on the Protection of the Harbour Ordinance (Cap. 531).

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11. Harbourfront enhancement

At the Panel meeting on 25 January 2022, Hon Starry LEE suggested that the Administration should brief the Panel on the development of a continuous harbourfront in Kowloon and on Hong Kong Island.

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12. Studies related to artificial islands in the Central Waters

The Administration will brief members on the latest progress of the Studies related to artificial islands in the Central Waters.

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13. Legislative amendments to the Waterworks Ordinance (Cap. 102)

Subsequent to the public consultation on the legislative amendment proposals of the Waterworks Ordinance (Cap. 102) completed in February 2021, the Administration is preparing for the drafting of the amendment bill and will brief the Panel on the proposed legislative amendments.

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14. Proposed Construction Industry Security of Payment Bill

An information paper prepared by the Administration on “Public consultation on proposed security of payment legislation for the construction industry” (LC Paper No. CB(1)1033/15-16(01)) was circulated to members on 14 June 2016.

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The Administration plans to consult the Panel on the legislative framework of the proposed Construction Industry Security of Payment Bill.

15. Report published by the Law Reform Commission on Adverse Possession

The Administration has considered a report released by the Law Reform Commission (“LRC”) on the topic of Adverse Possession on 20 October 2014. The Administration agrees with the LRC’s recommendation that the existing provisions on adverse possession should be retained under the current deeds registration system, and will continue to keep in view the development of the law on adverse possession and related aspects for necessary review as and when necessary. The Development Bureau also explained its position on this matter in an oral reply to a question at the Council meeting of 1 September 2021. The Administration will brief the Panel when there are further developments.

To be decided

16. Development of the Hung Shui Kiu/Ha Tsuen New Development Area

At the Panel meeting on 25 January 2022, Hon Michael TIEN suggested that the Administration should brief the Panel on the development of modern service industry in the Hung Shui Kiu/Ha Tsuen New Development Area.

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17. Improving the infrastructure in remote villages

At the Panel meeting on 25 January 2022, Hon Alice MAK suggested that the Administration should brief the Panel on the provision of fresh water supply in remote villages. Hon CHAN Yuet-ming wrote to the Chairman on 30 March 2022 (LC Paper No. CB(1)186/2022(01)) suggesting that as remote villages also lacked other infrastructural facilities (e.g. mobile network service, internet access via optic fibre/broadband, sewerage system and flood prevention system), the scope of discussion under this item should be broadened to cover those matters.

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Public Works Programme (“PWP”)

1. PWP Item No. 7417RO-1B — Improvement works at Tai O Phase 2 Stage 2; and progress of work by the Sustainable Lantau Office

The Administration will brief members on the proposal of upgrading this project to Category A for the construction of two footbridges, community and cultural event space, public carpark and landscaping works in Tai O. *(Note)*

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The Administration will also brief members on the progress of work for the Sustainable Lantau Office.

Note: The Administration advises that “Improvement Works at Mui Wo, Phase 2 Stage 2 (7414RO-2B)” which was originally bundled with the above two sub-items as a single item is now removed from the agenda item for the time being as objections were received during the gazette period under the Roads (Works, Use and Compensation) Ordinance (Cap. 370). The programme of this item to be discussed in the Panel will be further reviewed when the objection matters are resolved.

2. PWP Item No. 5767CL — Planning and Engineering Study for Lung Kwu Tan Reclamation and the Re-planning of Tuen Mun West Area

The Administration will brief member on the proposal of upgrading this project to Category A for the planning and engineering study for Lung Kwu Tan reclamation and the re-planning of Tuen Mun West Area.

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3. PWP Item No. 4161CD — Improvement of Yuen Long Town Nullah (town centre section); Part of PWP Item No. 4166CD — Drainage improvement works at Yuen Long; and PWP Item No. 4178CD — Yuen Long Barrage Scheme

The Administration will brief members on the proposal of upgrading these projects to Category A

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under the flood prevention strategy to improve the flood protection capacity of stormwater drainage facilities in Yuen Long.

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