

Panel on Development

List of outstanding items for discussion

(Position as at 24 March 2023)

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for discussion/
Remarks**

(Please also refer to items of Public Works Programme on pages 7 to 9)

1. San Tin Technopole – planning progress

The Administration will brief members on the planning progress of San Tin Technopole.

25 April 2023

2. Proposal to streamline the arrangement for extension of land leases

The Administration will brief members on the legislative proposal to streamline the arrangement for extension of land leases as foreshadowed in the 2022 Policy Address for upcoming expiring land leases to be extended by batches in a consistent manner.

23 May 2023

3. Increasing construction manpower supply and adoption of advanced construction technologies

At the Panel meeting on 25 January 2022, the Deputy Chairman (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. At the work plan meeting on 13 February 2023, it was agreed that the briefing by the Administration would also cover the strategy for increasing manpower supply for the construction sector.

27 June 2023

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4. Work of the Urban Renewal Authority

The Administration will brief members on the progress of the work of the Urban Renewal Authority (“URA”) in 2022-2023 and its plan for the next financial year.

25 July 2023
(Note)

Note: At the Panel meeting on 17 January 2023, Hon Andrew LAM suggested that the Administration should brief the Panel on the development of new planning tools that are backed by specific policies with a view to providing comprehensive action directions to facilitate development and promote conservation. Subsequently, the Administration advises that members will be briefed on the new planning tools proposed by the URA in the context of urban renewal at the Panel meeting scheduled for discussion of the URA’s annual workplan.

5. Annual 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 July 2022.

25 July 2023

6. Progress of work by the Sustainable Lantau Office

The Administration will report to members the progress of work for the Sustainable Lantau Office.

24 October 2023

7. Supply of Dongjiang water

The Administration will brief members on the new supply agreement for the supply of Dongjiang water in the next three years between 2024 and 2026.

28 November 2023

8. Construction Industry Security of Payment Bill

The Administration will brief members on the legislative proposal to improve the payment practices

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and cash flow along the supply chain in the construction industry and introduce a rapid and interim binding adjudication process to resolve payment disputes.

Note: 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.

9. 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.

2024

10. Near shore reclamation proposals

The then Member Dr Stephen WONG 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, Siu Ho Wan and Sunny Bay) and proposed that the Panel should discuss the progress of these reclamation proposals.

To be decided
(Note)

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. The funding submission to commence study on reclamation of Lung Kwu Tan was put forth for discussion by the Panel on 28 February 2023.

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**11. 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
(Note)

The Administration briefed the Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services (“AJLS Panel”) on the progress of implementation of the recommendations made by LRC at its meeting on 2 August 2022. A letter from the Clerk to the AJLS Panel to the Secretary for Development on matters relating to the LRC Report on Adverse Possession sent after the meeting and the Development Bureau’s response (LC Paper Nos. CB(4)862/2022(01) and (02)) (English version only) were subsequently circulated to members of the AJLS Panel on 3 October 2022 and members of the Panel on Development on 5 October 2022.

Note: The Administration advises that members were briefed on the legislative proposals for implementing title registration for newly granted land at the Panel meeting on 19 December 2022. The Panel was informed that the Administration would actively consider the feasibility of dis-applying the adverse possession law to new land registered under the proposed title registration system, and would handle

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the matters relating to the existing adverse possession law in tandem with the study on the full implementation of the title registration system on existing land. The Administration indicated that it targeted to put forward options on implementing the conversion of existing land to the title registration system for discussion with stakeholders and the Legislative Council after the passage of legislation in relation to the proposed title registration system for newly granted land, and aimed to introduce the Land Titles (Amendment) Bill into the Legislative Council in early 2024.

12. Improving the infrastructure in remote villages

At the Panel meeting on 25 January 2022, the then Member Ms 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. At the Panel meeting on 17 January 2023, Hon TANG Ka-piu further suggested that the Administration should brief the Panel on the feasibility of the provision of water and electricity supply facilities as well as communication networks in villages located on remote outlying islands (e.g. Tung Ping Chau and Po Toi Island), including the progress of the feasibility study on Shenzhen's supply of water to Tung Ping Chau.

To be decided
(Note)

Note: The Administration advises that members will be briefed on the feasibility of providing water supply facility to remote villages (e.g. Tung Ping Chau, Po Toi Island) in November 2023 together with the item on supply of Dongjiang water.

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13. Redevelopment of three squatter areas in Kowloon East

At the Panel meeting on 17 January 2023, Hon TANG Ka-piu suggested that the Administration should brief the Panel on the progress of the redevelopment of the three squatter areas in Kowloon East (viz. Cha Kwo Ling Village, Ngau Chi Wan Village and Chuk Yuen United Village).

To be decided
(Note)

Note: The Administration advises that members will be briefed on the funding proposal on the site formation and infrastructure works for the public housing development at Cha Kwo Ling Village at the Panel meeting on 28 March 2023.

14. Future use of existing community isolation facilities

At the meeting of the Panel on Security (“SE Panel”) on 17 January 2023, Hon TANG Ka-piu suggested discussing issues relating to future use of existing community isolation facilities following the subsiding of the epidemic of the coronavirus disease 2019. The Clerk to SE Panel subsequently wrote to refer the above-mentioned matter to the Panel on Development for consideration and follow-up.

To be decided
(Note)

Note: The Administration advises that the Chief Executive announced on 31 January 2023 that the Deputy Financial Secretary would be coordinating an assessment on the future use of the facilities, taking into account the potential changes in the epidemic situation, the return to normalcy and social needs. Upon reviewing the existing community isolation facilities and ensuring a certain amount of facilities would be retained, relevant land will be released in phases and units of the isolation facilities will be reused.

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Public Works Programme (“PWP”)

1. PWP Item No. 7851CL—Relocation of Public Works Central Laboratory to caverns; and PWP Item No. 5792CL—Building of Government Records Service’s Archives Centre in caverns

The Administration will brief members on the proposal to upgrade these projects to Category A for the design and construction works of the relocation of Public Works Central Laboratory to caverns, and the building of Government Records Service’s Archives Centre in caverns.

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2. PWP Item No. 165CD—Drainage improvement works at North District

The Administration will brief members on the proposal of upgrading part of the PWP item to Category A to improve the flood protection capacity of stormwater drainage facilities in North District.

25 April 2023

3. PWP Item No. 3477RO—Public open space at East Coast Park Precinct, North Point

The Administration will brief members on the proposal of upgrading this project to Category A for the construction of an open space at East Coast Park Precinct in North Point.

23 May 2023

4. Part of PWP Item No. 399DS—Relocation of Sha Tin Sewage Treatment Works to caverns

The Administration will brief members on the proposal of upgrading this project to Category A for the construction of ancillary buildings and cavern ventilation system of the proposed Sha Tin Cavern Sewage Treatment Works.

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5. Part of PWP Item No. 7469CL—Kai Tak development – infrastructure at north apron area of Kai Tak Airport

The Administration will brief members on the proposal of upgrading this project to Category A for the construction of open spaces near Kai Tak River.

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6. PWP Item No. 9370WF—Improvement of fresh water supply to low-level area in Central; and PWP Item No. 9374WF—Improvement works to fresh water mains with internal bitumen lining – first package of high priority mains

The Administration will brief members on the proposal of upgrading these projects to Category A for the improvement works to fresh water supply to low-level area in Central and the first package of improvement works to fresh water mains with internal bitumen lining.

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7. PWP Item No. 7864CL—First Phase Development of the New Territories North – investigation and design for San Tin Technopole

The Administration will brief members on increase in approved project estimate for the investigation and design for San Tin Technopole.

24 October 2023

8. Hung Shui Kiu/Ha Tsuen New Development Area and its expansion—PWP Items No. 7787CL & 7829CL works for Second Phase Development; detailed design for Remaining Phase Development; and Lau Fau Shan/Tsim Bei Tsui/Pak Nai areas (expansion of Hung Shui Kiu/Ha Tsuen New Development Area) investigation and design

The Administration will brief members on (a) the proposed funding arrangement of the Hung Shui Kiu/Ha Tsuen New Development Area (“HSK/HT NDA”) for the implementation of site formation and construction of engineering infrastructure under advance works phase 3 and stage 2 works for Second

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Phase Development, and detailed design and site investigation of the site formation and engineering infrastructure for Remaining Phase Development; and (b) the Preliminary Land Use Proposal for the Lau Fau Shan/Tsim Bei Tsui/Pak Nai areas (expansion of HSK/HT NDA) and the proposed funding arrangement for investigation and design.

Note: 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 HSK/HT NDA.

9. Part of PWP Item No. 7268RS—Cycle track between Tsuen Wan and Tuen Mun

The Administration will brief members on the proposal of upgrading this project to Category A for the construction of cycle track between Tuen Mun and So Kwun Wat.

28 November 2023

10. Capital Works Reserve Fund block allocation for 2024-2025

The Administration will brief members on the funding submission for the Capital Works Reserve Fund block allocations for 2024-2025.

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11. PWP Item No. 7854CL—Remaining Phase Development of the New Territories North – planning and engineering study for the North Territories North New Town and Man Kam To

The Administration will brief members on the Land Use Proposal for the New Territories North New Town and Man Kam To project.

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(tentative)