# 立法會 Legislative Council

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# Paper for House Committee Meeting on 7 January 2000

## **Proposed Amendments to Rule 32 of House Rules**

#### Introduction

This paper seeks members' approval for proposed amendments to rule 32 of the House Rules.

## **Proposed Amendments**

2. Rule 32 of the House Rules details arrangements for holding regular meeting-cum-luncheons with Provisional District Boards. Subject to members' endorsement of a proposal to organize similar meetings-cum-luncheons with District Council members as set out in LC Paper No. CB(2)584/99-00, rule 32 should be amended by replacing all references to "Provisional District Board" with "District Council", as shown in the Appendix.

#### Members' Advice

3. Members' approval is sought for the proposed amendments to rule 32 of the House Rules.

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#### 32. Meetings with Provisional District Boards Councils

- (a) Meeting-cum-luncheons are held in camera with Provisional District Boards Council (PDB DC) members from time to time to discuss and exchange views on matters of mutual interest.
- (b) Tentative dates of the meetings can be drawn up in advance, but the exact dates can be fixed mutually between the respective PDBs DCs and the Secretariat, subject to sufficient notice being given to members on both sides.
- (c) The meeting time is normally from 10:45 am to 12:45 pm, followed by lunch up to 2:00 pm.
- (d) Members are divided into groups to meet with <del>PDB</del> DC members on a roster system.
- (e) Members convene meetings by turn.
- (f) Upon the request of PDBs DCs, individual Members may be invited to attend a particular meeting.
- (g) Each meeting should be attended by a minimum of five Members. Members scheduled on the roster should make themselves available to attend these meetings/luncheons.
- (h) If the number of Members who have signed up for a meeting is less than five, other Members approached by the Secretariat should make an effort to attend the meeting to ensure that the minimum attendance is met.
- (i) A formal agenda for the meeting should be prepared in consultation with the PDB DC concerned prior to the meeting.
- (j) Minutes of meetings are to be issued to the PDBs DCs after the meetings.
- (k) Matters discussed at the meetings are followed up by the relevant policy Panels or the Complaints Division as appropriate.
- (l) While the Secretariat will liaise with the Administration on the issues raised and the follow-up action to be taken, the convenor of the meeting/luncheon will report back to the PDB DC personally, on behalf of Members present.