Panel on Public Service

List of outstanding items for discussion

(Position as at 9 April 2013)

Proposed timing for discussion

1. Use of agency workers by government bureaux/departments

20 May 2013

The subject was last discussed at the meeting on 16 April 2012. Hon LEE Cheuk-yan wrote to the Panel Chairman on 15 March 2013 (LC Paper No. CB(4)502/12-13(01)) requesting discussion on the use of agency workers (including the "T-contract staff") by government bureaux/departments.

The Administration proposes that the subject be discussed at the Panel meeting on 20 May 2013. The Civil Service Bureau and the Office of the Government Chief Information Officer will report to the Panel on the use of agency workers and T-contract staff respectively.

2. An overview of the civil service establishment, strength, retirement, resignation and age profile

20 May 2013

The subject was last discussed at the meeting on 16 April 2012. The Administration proposes to update the Panel on the civil service establishment, strength, retirement, resignation and age profile.

3. An overview of civil service disciplinary matters

May – July 2013

The subject was last discussed at the meeting on 21 May 2012. The Administration proposes to update the Panel on civil service disciplinary matters.

4. 2013-2014 Civil Service Pay Adjustment

May – July 2013

The Administration proposes to brief the Panel on the civil service pay adjustment for 2013-2014.

Proposed timing for discussion

5. Attractiveness of civil service jobs

May – July 2013

The subject was last discussed at the meeting on 17 October 2011. The Administration proposes to update the Panel on the attractiveness of civil service jobs.

6. Proposed amendments to subsidiary legislation on discipline made under discipline services ordinances

May – July 2013

The Subcommittee on Amendments to Subsidiary Legislation on Discipline Made under Disciplined Services Ordinance was formed on 4 May 2012 to scrutinize the six amendment regulations/rules which sought to amend six pieces of subsidiary legislation on discipline made under relevant Ordinances governing the disciplined services (L.N. 58 to L.N. 63). One of the major amendments was to allow an accused officer to apply for, subject to the approval of the concerned disciplinary authority, representation at his/her disciplinary hearing by a barrister or solicitor or by another person. The Administration also took the opportunity to introduce other amendments to improve the disciplinary proceedings.

The Subcommittee submitted its report to the House Committee on 15 June 2012. It considered that there was insufficient time to examine the proposed amendments under the negative vetting procedure. According to the Administration, it would not bring L.N. 58 to L.N. 63 into commencement and would refine the amendment regulations/rules in consultation with management and staff sides and taking into account the views of Subcommittee Subcommittee. The requested the Administration to consult the Panel early on the draft version of the amendment regulations/rules; and suggested that the Panel consider setting up a subcommittee to study the draft amendment regulations/rules.

7. Employment of persons with disabilities in the civil service

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The above subject was discussed by the Panel at its meeting on 16 May 2011. At the Panel meeting on 21 January 2013, Hon Emily LAU proposed and the Chairman agreed to revisit the

subject at a future meeting.

The Administration plans to submit a paper on the subject for discussion by the Panel in the latter part of the second quarter of 2013.

At the Panel meeting on 18 March 2013, Hon Emily LAU suggested that the scope of the item should be expanded to cover government-funded public bodies and requested the Administration to provide relevant information in its paper for the Panel.

8. Pay policy of the Government in the calculation of salaries of government school teachers

To be confirmed

The Panel discussed the determination of salaries for government school teachers on 20 June 2011. A motion was passed at the meeting urging the Administration to review the salaries and terms of employment of government school teachers and make compensation for their loss of income. The Administration provided a written response (LC Paper No. CB(1)2966/10-11(01)) in August 2011.

Dr Hon PAN Pey-chyou and Hon IP Wai-ming wrote to the Panel Chairman on 18 November 2011 (LC Paper No. CB(1)413/11-12) proposing the Panel to further follow up the issue. The Administration provided in June 2012 further information on the issue vide LC Paper No. CB(1)2263/11-12(01).

At the Panel meeting on 16 October 2012, Hon TANG Ka-piu proposed and members agreed to revisit the issue at a future meeting.

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