

Hon CHAN Chi-chuen 陳志全議員

Geographical Constituency – New Territories East

People Power

Membership in Environmental-related Committees:

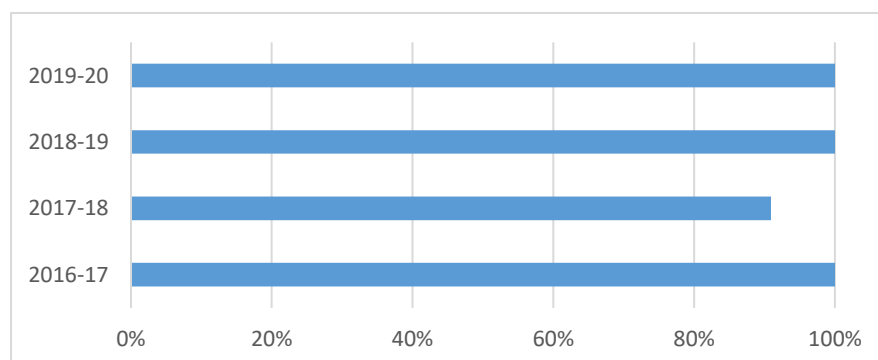
- Panel on Environmental Affairs
- Bills Committee on Protection of Endangered Species of Animals and Plants (Amendment) Bill 2017

Voting Record:

8 December 2016: Motion Moved by Hon Chan Han-Pan on “Updating the Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines and Increasing Community Facilities to Enhance Living Environment” as Amended by Hon Alice Mak, Ir Dr Hon Lo Wai-Kwok, Hon Frankie Yick and Hon Andrew Wan	Abstain
1 June 2017: Motion on “Promoting ‘Hong Kong People Using Hong Kong Water’ and Protecting Local Resources”	Yes
5 July 2017: Proposed Resolution Moved by Secretary for the Environment under the Product Eco-Responsibility Ordinance and the Interpretation and General Clauses Ordinance	Yes
16 November 2017: Proposed Resolution under the Energy Efficiency (Labelling of Products) Ordinance	Yes
31 January 2018: Protection of Endangered Species of Animals and Plants (Amendment) Bill 2017 - Third Reading	Yes
12 April 2018: Motion Moved by Hon Frankie Yick on “Promoting the Popularization of Electric Vehicles” as Amended by Hon Kenneth Leung, Hon Charles Peter Mok, Ir Dr Hon Lo Wai-Kwok, Hon Yung Hoi-Yan, Hon Chan Hak-Kan and Hon Tanya Chan	

Panel on Environmental Affairs Attendance:

As Member



Comments Made in Environmental-related Committees:

Panel on Environmental Affairs

20161024	48. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen opined that no matter how many OWTFs would be built, efforts in food waste treatment would be futile without mandatory food waste source separation. He enquired about the Administration's plan, if any, for studying the feasibility of mandatory food waste source separation.	Waste
20161219	11. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen suggested that the Administration should take forward some immediate measures such as publishing online the locations of black spots of illegal land filling and fly-tipping to facilitate public monitoring.	Waste
20170227	47. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen said that at the meeting of the Panel on Transport held on 24 February 2017, HyD advised that the resident site staff engaged by HyD had observed the Seawall Incidents but HyD did not consider it necessary to inform EPD or the public about the Incidents. Mr CHAN and Ms MO expressed concern whether the notification mechanism and the environmental monitoring data in the EM&A Reports submitted by HyD were sufficient for EPD to monitor and follow up timely and effectively incidents that might potentially have an adverse impact on the environment.	Misc
20170327	20. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen raised concern about "double charging" arising from the implementation of MSW charging since he considered that rates had already covered the waste collection services provided by the Government. Mr CHAN pointed out that in the last legislative term, the Panel had passed a motion demanding the Government to lower the rates concurrently to avoid double levy if quantity-based waste charging was to be introduced.	Waste
20170327	22. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen stated that the People Power considered mandatory waste separation at source should be taken forward in parallel with implementation of MSW charging such that only those MSW to be disposed of after source separation would need to be charged.	Waste
20170522	37. Noting that four different Government Departments (MD, LCSD, AFCD and the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department) were each responsible for removal of marine refuse under their respective purviews, Mr CHAN Chi-chuen	Water

	enquired about how to deal with cases when it was unclear as to which department was responsible for removal of the marine refuse concerned.	
20171127	23. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen pointed out that the recyclables exported from Hong Kong to the Mainland for recycling should not be regarded as "foreign rubbish", since according to the Basic Law, the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region was an inalienable part of the People's Republic of China.	Waste
20171127	36. Noting that about 92.6% of plastic recyclables in Hong Kong had been exported to the Mainland, Mr CHAN Chi-chuen called for the Administration's actions in the short, medium and long term to assist local recyclers in meeting the tightened import requirements of the Mainland from January 2018. Noting that a funding of \$20 million had been earmarked under the Recycling Fund for recyclers to procure facilities for upgrading their capability in processing local recyclables, he enquired about the number of waste plastic recyclers which had received funding support under the Recycling Fund in order to meet the Mainland import requirements, and their capability in handling the waste plastics recyclables in Hong Kong.	Waste
20180122	23. Noting that cantilevered noise barriers or vertical noise barriers would be retrofitted at certain road sections under the proposed works, including a section of cantilevered noise barrier to be retrofitted along the verge of the southbound carriageway adjacent to Scenery Court, Mr LEUNG Yiu-chung enquired about the reasons for not adopting semi-enclosures or full enclosures thereat instead with a view to better mitigating the traffic noise impact on neighbouring residents. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen shared similar concern.	Misc
20180326	25. Referring to media reports that the recipient of a Reinstatement Notice for illegal land filling on a private land lot in Sha Ling had failed to comply with the notice by the expiry date, Mr CHU Hoi-dick and Mr CHAN Chi-chuen sought details on the reinstatement requirements and the follow-up actions taken/to be taken by PlanD on the non-compliance. Mr CHAN further asked whether, in the event of non-compliance with a Reinstatement Notice, the Administration	Waste

	could reinstate the land and recover the expenses incurred from the notice recipient.	
20180625	16. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen sought clarification on the definition of "Hong Kong-owned factories" under [Cleaner Production Partnership Programme (CPPP)]. Given that large enterprises and their subsidiaries should have ample resources to upgrade their production processes to achieve [cleaner production (CP)], he questioned the appropriateness of sponsoring the CP projects of those enterprises through CPPP, and enquired whether the eligibility criteria for funding support included the financial strength of the enterprises.	Air
20180625	19. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen and Mr CHU Hoi-dick enquired how the Administration evaluated the effectiveness of [Cleaner Production Partnership Programme] in promoting investments in [cleaner production (CP)] technologies and practices, and whether there were cases where a demonstration project had successfully encouraged the participating factory to make follow-up investments in CP or inspired other factories to adopt the same technology/practice.	Air
20180625	33. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen asked why some species of volatile organic compounds ("VOCs") under the alternative compliance arrangement for the "total VOC" parameter in the [indoor air quality] objectives would be removed.	Air
20181022	14. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen also enquired if the Administration could undertake to introduce the [Waste Disposal (Charging for Municipal Solid Waste) (Amendment) Bill] by end 2018.	Waste
20181022	16. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen and Mr WU Chi-wai asked whether and when the Administration would study the formulation of policies on mandatory source separation of waste, which they considered a necessary complementary measure to MSW charging.	Waste
20181022	41. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen asked what ENB would do to strengthen nature conservation in South Lantau, and mitigate the marine ecological impact arising from the reclamation works in the central waters between Hong Kong Island and Lantau if the proposed project of constructing artificial islands there was approved.	Water

20181126	31. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen questioned the effectiveness of MSW charging in reducing waste and indicated that he would maintain his reservation about the proposed MSW charging scheme unless a timetable was put in place for the implementation of mandatory source separation of waste.	Waste
20181126	46. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen also expressed concerns about the possible difficulties in taking enforcement actions against non-compliances, and that conflicts might arise between waste producers and frontline enforcement officers or property management companies.	Waste
20181126	55. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen sought elaboration on the financial implications of implementing the proposed MSW charging scheme, including whether it would be revenue neutral in the sense that all charges collected would be ploughed back to waste reduction and recycling work. He also asked why there would not be a reduction in government rates to offset MSW charges, even though the charges for waste collection had already been included in the government rates.	Waste
20190325	5. Quoting paragraph 18 of the digest of the Working Group's fourth meeting (Appendix K to Annex A to LC Paper No. CB(1)723/18-19(03)), Ms Tanya CHAN questioned whether the purpose of setting AQOs was to protect public health or merely provide a benchmark for consideration of designated projects under the environmental impact assessment ("EIA") process. She voiced concern that if AQOs mainly served the latter purpose, then the Administration might deliberately adopt less stringent standards with a view to ensuring that designated projects could comply with AQOs. The Deputy Chairman and Mr CHAN Chi-chuen expressed similar concerns.	Air
20190325	20. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen enquired about the causes of the high levels of O ₃ in Tung Chung and Tap Mun; whether cross-boundary vehicular traffic and construction works in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area were major emission sources of O ₃ affecting Tung Chung; and why the Administration decided not to tighten the AQO for O ₃ in the current review exercise.	Air
20190429	19. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen pointed out that according to the	Waste

	<p>original proposal for setting up the Recycling Fund (i.e. FCR(2015-16)25), a cash flow of around \$200 million a year was expected for the 2017-2018 to 2019-2020 financial years. However, only \$152 million of funding had been approved as at the end of March 2019, which fell far short of expectation. He enquired whether the Administration had plans to further relax the application criteria and funding limit for each applicant in future, so that the remaining balance of the Fund would be fully utilized by the end of its operational period.</p>	
20191017	<p>13b. Environmental impact of the use of tear gas: on behalf of Mr CHAN Chi-chuen, Ms Tanya CHAN suggested that the Administration should brief the Panel on the environmental and health impacts of the frequent use of tear gas in the community in recent months, and how it would tackle the environmental pollution, if any, caused by tear gas residues.</p>	Air
20191216	<p>16. Expressing concern about the impact of the emissions from crossboundary vehicles on local air quality, Mr CHAN Chi-chuen enquired about the progress of the Mainland authorities in controlling vehicular emissions.</p>	Air
20191216	<p>21. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen noted from page 11 of LC Paper No. CB(1)260/19-20(01) that the dioxins level at the Central/Western monitoring station in November 2019 was proportionally much higher than the levels in October 2019 and November 2018. He asked whether the spike was attributed to the use of tear gas, and if so, what follow-up actions had been taken by the Administration to safeguard the environment and public health. He considered that EPD should study the chemical composition of tear gas used in Hong Kong and the environmental impact of tear gas residues.</p>	Air
20200427	<p>31. Mr CHAN Chi-chuen noted that litter bins formerly placed along hiking trails in country parks had been removed in recent years as an initiative to encourage the public to take their own litter away after visiting country parks. As he observed that there were influxes of visitors to country parks recently following the COVID-19 outbreak, which gave rise to environmental hygiene problems, he asked about the following issues:</p> <p>(a) the manpower arrangements for maintaining</p>	Waste

	<p>environmental hygiene in country parks, including whether volunteers had been/would be routinely engaged for waste removal in country parks after peak seasons for outdoor activities and large-scale events taken place in country parks; and</p> <p>(b) whether the Administration would consider placing litter bins back at selected locations in country parks as appropriate to improve the environmental hygiene conditions at those locations.</p>	
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