

Construction Industry Council

Committee on Environment

Meeting No. 002/16 of the Committee on Environment (Com-ENV) for 2016 was held on 16 June 2016 (Thursday) at 2:30pm at Meeting Room 1, CIC Headquarters, 15/F Allied Kajima Building, 138 Gloucester Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong.

Summary Notes of the Com-ENV Meeting No. 002/16

Agenda Item	Paper	Major Resolutions/ Progress Highlights
2.1	CIC/EIT/R/001/16 (for discussion)	Confirmation of the Progress Report of the Previous Meeting Members confirmed the Progress Report of the previous meeting held on 30 March 2016.
2.2	CIC/EIT/R/001/16 (for discussion)	Matters Arising from the Previous Meeting Item 1.4 – The proposed list of Co-opted Members was approved by Council at its meeting scheduled on 29 April 2016. A Member from Council requested to invite Hong Kong Construction Sub-contractors Association (HKCSA) to nominate a person to become Co-opted Member. After deliberations, it was agreed to consult HKCSA in future on occasions with subjects relevant to them. Besides, the CIC Secretariat received an email from Environmental Protection Department (EPD) informing us that EPD would like to take out the Co-opted Membership from Com-ENV (as Management considers it more flexible not to join as a standing member). The CIC Secretariat has sent email with phone calls to EPD. After deliberations, Members agreed it is crucial to have representative from EPD in Com-ENV. The CIC Secretariat will continue to liaise with EPD. Item 1.9 – Details were reported under Agenda Item 2.8 (to follow up the feedback from Members of Com-ENV on the recommendations from the McKinsey Interim Report).

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2.3	CIC/ENV/P/008/16 (for information)	Rename of Com-EIT and Amend of Terms of Reference Members were informed on the proposed rename of Com-EIT to Com-ENV and amendments to the Terms of Reference (TOR) of Com-ENV, which included elements of Innovation, Technology and Research. Members were also informed that the proposed TOR for Com-ENV would be submitted to Council for approval on 17 June 2016.
2.4	CIC/ENV/P/009/16 (for endorsement)	Progress update of the Task Force on Strategy for Management and Reduction of Construction & Demolition (C&D) Waste in Hong Kong and its Consultancy Services Members were informed on the update progress of the Task Force on Strategy for Management and Reduction of C&D Waste in Hong Kong. The Consultancy Services on Strategy for Management and Reduction of C&D Waste in Hong Kong was awarded to PolyU Technology and Consultancy Co. Limited (PolyU). A kick off meeting was held with PolyU on 20 May 2016. The Proposal, Programme and Action Plans for the Consultancy Project were submitted for endorsement. The framework included to carry out literature review on current local statutory and overseas policies and measures, to conduct interviews and focus group meetings, to identify a list of potential waste from Bills of Quantities of projects, to observe three private residential projects at different stages of construction to qualitative estimate the characteristics of waste generation, to sort and quantify the collected construction waste, to propose a methodology for non-inert construction waste composition study, to prepare a service specification and to produce project reports. After deliberations, Members endorsed the Proposal, Programme and Action Plans for the Consultancy Project.
2.5	CIC/ENV/P/010/16 (for endorsement)	Progress update on the Provision of Consultancy Services for the Survey on the Potential Utilisation of Prefabrication Yard in Hong Kong Members were informed on the update progress on the Provision of Consultancy Services for the

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		<p>Survey on the Potential Utilisation of Prefabrication Yard in Hong Kong. Meetings were held with the Consultant Mercado Solutions Associates Ltd. (MSA) on 3 March 2016 and 6 May 2016. The Inception Report and Survey Framework were submitted for endorsement.</p>
2.6	(Power Point Presentation)	<p>Progress Update by the Consultant Mercado Solutions Associates Ltd. (MSA). MSA attended the meeting to give a presentation on the update progress of the Consultancy Services. Members were informed on the areas of investigation, methodology of the survey, target groups, data collection method, sample size, questionnaire design and project schedule.</p> <p>After deliberations, Members endorsed the proposed Inception Report and Survey Framework with addition of some questions related to Beam Plus in the Questionnaire.</p> <p>[Post Meeting Note: The Questionnaire has been reviewed and revised. The final version has been sent out by batches to different target groups since late July 2016.]</p>
2.7	CIC/ENV/P/011/16 (for information)	<p>Progress update of the Research on River Sand Substitutes for Concrete Production and Cement Sand Mortar Production (Phase Two) Final Report follow up After the Phase Two Final Report has formally issued, the CIC Secretariat discussed with the CIC Training Centre Managers and confirmed that some trial tests would be conducted in the upcoming months (when the sourcing of supplier has been settled). The trial tests will verify the practicability of the River Sand Substitutes with the laboratory tests results stated in the Phase Two Final Report.</p> <p>It is also known that Development Bureau (DevB) would plan to launch some small-scale repair and maintenance projects as pilot scheme for trial run in the upcoming months. The CIC Secretariat will work closely with the CIC Training Centre and DevB.</p>

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2.8	CIC/ENV/P/012/16 (for discussion)	Progress update of the Mckinsey Report follow up The feedback and timeline for the 7 recommendations from the Mckinsey Interim Report were received from Members of Com-ENV and went through in the meeting. Members were invited to explore possible study or projects related to response to the recommendations from Mckinsey Interim Report and report in the upcoming Com-ENV meeting.
2.9	(Verbal Report)	Update from HKGBC The representative from HKGBC gave a verbal update on Green Product Labelling, Green Design Guidelines for Minimisation of C&D Waste and Beam Plus. It was suggested to make a summary list of projects relevant to CIC to be discussed in the next meeting.
2.10		Any Other Business (i) The Commission of Inquiry into Excess Lead Found in Drinking Water had published a report (“Commission’s Report”) on 31 May 2016 stating its findings and recommendations on the Incident of lead found in drinking water. The report touched upon aspects of training and workers registration which are of relevance to the operation of the CIC. With an aim to enhance CIC’s operations and to prevent similar occurrences, CIC has correspondingly conducting an internal review of the training and registration operations, making references to the recommendations made in the Commission’s Report. CIC will also identify areas for improvement and set out proposed follow up actions. The completed draft paper would be circulated to Members of Com-ENV afterwards. [Post Meeting Note: A paper named “CIC’s Response and Proposed Action to the “Report of the Commission of Inquiry into Excess Lead Found in Drinking Water”” has been circulated to Members of Com-ENV on 25 July 2016 to seek comments.]

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		(ii) Members were invited to express views (if any) on the opportunity to reduce vehicular emissions and encourage the take up of low/zero emissions technologies to accelerate the replacement of ageing non-road mobile machinery (NRMM).

Remarks: The mentioned papers discussed at the Committee on Environment and the full progress report can be made available to Council Members from the CIC Secretariat upon request.