

## COUNCIL FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

### Digest of Meeting Notes

<b>Date</b>	:16 December 2003 (Tuesday)
<b>Time</b>	:3.00 – 5.30 pm
<b>Chairman</b>	:Mr Donald TSANG, Chief Secretary for Administration
<b>Vice-chairman</b>	:Dr Edgar CHENG
<b>Members</b>	:Ms CHOY So-yuk Mr Barrie COOK Ms Christine FANG Mr Hans M JEBSEN Mr Thomas KWOK Professor LAM Kin-che Mr Andrew LIAO Mr TAI Hay-lap
<b>Official Members</b>	:Dr E K YEOH, Secretary for Health, Welfare and Food (SHWF) Dr Sarah LIAO, Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works (SETW)
<b>Apologies</b>	Dr Lily CHIANG Ir Otto POON Professor TSUI Lap-chee Mr TIK Chi-yuen Mr Michael SUEN, Secretary for Housing, Planning and Lands (SHPL) Mr Stephen IP, Secretary for Economic Development and Labour (SEDL)
<b>In attendance</b>	:Sir Crispin Tickell ( <i>for Agenda Item 1</i> ) Mr Andrew WONG, Director of Administration (D of Admin) Ms CHANG King-yiu, Deputy Director of Administration (DD of Admin) Mr Eric K LEE, Senior Administrative Officer (Sustainable Development) 2 Mrs Ava NG, Deputy Director of Planning (DD of Plan) ( <i>for Agenda Item 5</i> ) Ms Amy CHEUNG, Senior Town Planner ( <i>for Agenda Item 5</i> )
<b>Secretary</b>	:Mr Jonathan MCKINLEY, Assistant Director of Administration

#### **Item 1 – Discussion with Sir Crispin Tickell, Convenor of the former British Government Panel on Sustainable Development**

Sir Crispin Tickell, Convenor of the former British Government Panel on Sustainable Development, met the Members and gave a briefing and answered questions on issues related to sustainable development, with particular reference to his experience in the promotion of sustainable development in the United Kingdom.

#### **Item 2 – Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting**

Outstanding action arising from the last meeting was covered in the subsequent items.

#### **Item 3 – Report of the Strategy Sub-committee (Paper 12/03)**

Members noted that more than 70 stakeholders had taken part in the First Workshop on an SD

Strategy for Hong Kong on 8 November. The broad consensus of the workshop was that initially the Government could propose Priority Areas for the first “round” of strategy building. These areas should not be too complex, so that early progress could be made. A support group (SG) would be formed for each Priority Area, comprising people from academic and professional institutions, representatives of non-government organisations, business, government departments and the Council itself.

Members agreed that “Solid Waste Management”, “Renewable Energy” and “Urban Planning Priorities” would be appropriate areas with which to begin the strategy process, and that these should be described as “Pilot Areas”. The SSC would discuss with the SHPL a suitable focus for the “Urban Planning Priorities” Pilot Area.

#### **Item 4 – Report of the Education & Publicity Sub-committee (Paper 13/03)**

Members noted that there had been 127 applications to the SDF. The EPSC was assessing the application with a view to announcing the results in March 2004.

Members further noted that the EPSC was working on an education and publicity strategy. The EPSC would publicise examples of successful projects funded by the SDF to promote sustainable development in the wider community.

#### **Item 5 – Briefing on the Planning Department’s study: “Hong Kong 2030: Planning Vision and Strategy” (Paper 14/03)**

Planning Department (Planning) representatives briefed Members on the third stage public consultation on “Hong Kong 2030: Planning Vision and Strategy”. Members noted that, in the light of public comment during the first two stages of consultation, three broad development directions had been identified, namely: provision of a quality living environment; enhancement of economic competitiveness; and strengthening of links with the Mainland. Members were invited to give comments on the study to Planning.

#### **Item 6 – Any other business**

Members noted that the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government would host an Asian Leadership Forum on “Sustainability for Cities” on 25 and 26 February 2004, which would be co-organised by the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs and the Central People’s Government.