

COUNCIL FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Information Note on Implementation Progress of the First Sustainable Development Strategy

Purpose

This information note reports on the progress of the implementation of the First Sustainable Development (SD) Strategy for Hong Kong promulgated in May 2005.

The First Sustainable Development Strategy for Hong Kong

2. The first engagement process of the Council for SD conducted discussions with stakeholders, on the sustainability issues in three pilot areas – Solid Waste Management, Renewable Energy and Urban Living Space.

3. Taking into account the Council for SD's recommendations set out in its Report on the Engagement Process, the Government formulated and published the First SD Strategy for Hong Kong in May 2005, which also concluded the first engagement process.

4. Whilst the overall achievement towards sustainability requires concerted efforts of all sectors in the community, the First SD Strategy outlines the Government's plan of action on the three pilot areas towards this long-term goal.

Progress of Implementation

5. The Government has since implemented a number of initiatives as set out in the First SD Strategy. To keep the process alive, the Government undertakes to provide regular reports to the Council for SD on the implementation progress towards achieving the strategic

objectives, targets and plan of actions as set out in the Strategy.

6. The first annual implementation progress report is at Annex. The report will be uploaded to the website of the SD Unit as well as the dedicated SD Strategy website for the engagement process. To promote a common ownership of the engagement process among all stakeholders, we will also inform all stakeholder groups and individuals who participated in the engagement events and / or submitted comments to the Council for SD during the first engagement process, of the progress to date.

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