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Question on a gas explosion in Discovery Bay

Ms Amy YUNG notified this Council that she will raise the following enquiry at the Islands District Council meeting to be held on 19 December this year:

"A gas explosion occurred at Parkland Drive, Discovery Bay on 9 September this year, causing damage to some facilities of the common areas and individual flats. Luckily, nobody was injured. According to the information provided by the Discovery Bay Services Management Limited (the management company), the incident was caused by leakages in an underground LPG piping nearby.

As such, I would like to request the Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (EMSD), the Fire Services Department, the management company and San Hing (LPG) Company Limited to arrange representatives to attend the meeting to respond to the following questions:

- 1. Was the incident caused by negligence? Was it due to lack of inspection?
- 2. How could EMSD ascertain that the housing estates conducted pressure tests and inspection annually?
- 3. According to the information provided by the management company, the contractor promised to carry out anti-corrosive works for the piping, had the relevant works been completed?
- 4. Please provide the numbers of fires and explosions occurred at the Islands District caused by gas leakage as well as the number of calls the firemen responded for suspected gas leakage reports."

<u>Islands District Council Secretariat</u>

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