

**Summary of Discussions and Decisions
of the 3rd Meeting of the
Housing and Building Management Committee held on 20 September 2012**

Opening Remarks

The Chairman welcomed Members and Government Representatives to the meeting.

Item 1 Confirmation of Minutes of Last Meeting

2. Minutes were confirmed without amendment.

Item 2 Matter Arising:

Urging Review of Operation Building Bright (“OBB”)
(YTMHBMC Paper No. 7/2012)

3. Members requested the authorities to review the application and vetting procedures of OBB, and to inform the public of the effectiveness of launching the first two phases of the scheme. As OBB was widely accepted by members of the public, they suggested moving on to the 3rd phase of the scheme and extending its scope to meet the needs of society.

Item 3 Matter Arising:

Fire Safety Issues Arising from LED Display Screens on External Walls of Buildings
(YTMHBMC Paper No. 8/2012)

4. Members reiterated that applicants must seek the consent of owners’ corporations before installing LED display screens in the public space of a building. The Administration should also remove unauthorised LED display screens on building walls in the same way of clearing illegal building works.

Item 4 Is Housing Department Encouraging Blatant Violation of Regulations by Tenants?

(YTMHBMC Paper No. 9/2012)

5. Members opined that quite a number of public housing tenants did not actually live in their allocated units. They demanded the Housing Department (“HD”) to increase manpower for inspections to prevent abuse of public housing resources.

Item 5 Concern over Safety Problems Arising from Subdivision of Flats

(YTMHBMC Paper No. 10/2012)

6. Members urged the Administration to take active enforcement actions to tackle building structural problems and fire safety, water seepage and electrical circuit overload problems caused by illegal subdivision of flats. They also agreed to write to the

Development Bureau (“DEVB”) and the Legislative Council to seek action in plugging legal loopholes for protection of public safety.

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