

**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO  
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Head: 118 Planning Department      Subhead (No. & title):

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Question : Please provide detailed information concerning the resources involved in the review of the implementation of the Town Planning (Amendment) Ordinance 2004 as well as the progress of the review. When is the review expected to be completed?

Asked by : Hon. HO Chun-yan, Albert

Reply :

One senior town planner and two town planners are responsible for reviewing the implementation of the Town Planning (Amendment) Ordinance 2004 (the Amendment Ordinance). This work is being carried out as part of their normal duties.

Since the implementation of the Amendment Ordinance in June 2005, we have prepared eight Town Planning Board Guidelines, three Guidance Notes and four information leaflets to facilitate practitioners and the public to understand the new requirements under the Amendment Ordinance. We have also conducted briefings for and consulted stakeholders with a view to improving the administrative procedures. Our next task is to prepare the Town Planning (Fees) Regulation for introduction in the current legislative session.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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