

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2007-08  
**CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO  
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION**

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Head : 49 Food and Environmental Hygiene Department

Subhead (No. & title) :

Programme : (4) Public Education and Community Involvement

Controlling Officer : Director of Food and Environmental Hygiene

Director of Bureau : Secretary for Health, Welfare and Food

Question :

Under matters requiring special attention in 2007-08, the Department will enhance the outreaching efforts in promoting public health and environmental hygiene through the use of the publicity vehicle. In this connection, please advise on:

1. the relevant details;
2. the estimated expenditure so involved;
3. whether the Administration has assessed the nuisance the publicity vehicle may cause to the environment, and whether the Administration has considered other ways to promote outreaching activities besides using the publicity vehicle.

Asked by : Hon. WONG Kwok-hing

Reply :

1. The publicity vehicle will enable the Department to enhance its outreaching efforts in promoting public health and environmental hygiene messages to the general public. We will arrange the publicity vehicle to visit mainly schools and housing estates. Students and members of the public will have better knowledge about food safety and environmental hygiene through exhibits, publications and various interactive games on the vehicle.
2. It is estimated that the expenditure involved in the running of the vehicle in 2007-08 will be \$0.7 million.

3. Publicity vehicle visits are mainly arranged by appointment. The vehicle is fuelled by Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) and does not use a loud-hailer. The operation of the vehicle would not cause unnecessary nuisance to the public and the environment. Apart from the use of the publicity vehicle, officers from the Health Education Exhibition and Resource Centre also pay regular visits to schools, elderly centres and local organisations to deliver talks/seminars on public health, hold exhibitions and organise outreaching activities to disseminate messages on food safety and environmental hygiene to the public.

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