

**Business Facilitation Advisory Committee
Task Force on Business Liaison Groups**

An Update of the Progress of Business Liaison Groups

Purpose

This paper provides an update of the overall work progress of the ten Business Liaison Groups (BLGs) since the last meeting of the Task Force on Business Liaison Groups (BLGTF) held on 9 June 2022.

Progress

2. From 9 June to 15 September 2022, we have conducted two BLG meetings and proactively liaised with the trade of six BLGs. A total of 17 issues were satisfactorily resolved or clarified and three consultation sessions on proposed revisions of licensing conditions and provision of a new code of practice were conducted by the relevant department as arranged by the Secretariat. A breakdown of these figures by the BLGs is shown at ***Appendix***. BLGTF Papers 132 and 133 set out some new regulatory requirements while BLGTF Paper 134 sets out the details of a business facilitation measure. The new regulatory requirements / business facilitation measure will impact / benefit a large variety of trade.

3. To enhance communication with the trade, the Secretariat continues the provision of various channels including an online form for the trade to share their views on licensing application and regulatory regime, and the uploading of summaries on the views collected and the Government responses onto the [Business Facilitation Initiatives website](#) on a regular basis. Salient examples are presented in the 31st meeting of the BLGTF.

4. The Secretariat will provide advance notice to members once the schedule for future BLG meetings is available so that members can attend the BLG meetings as observers.

Way Forward

5. Members are invited to note the content of this paper and offer comments, if any.

Secretariat of the Task Force on Business Liaison Groups
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Appendix

A Breakdown of the Work of the Ten Business Liaison Groups (BLGs) from 9 June to 15 September 2022

BLG	No. of Meetings	No. of Proactive Liaison with Trade	No. of Issues Resolved/Clarified	No. of Information Dissemination Sessions	No. of Consultation Sessions
Food business (restaurant)	1	-	4	-	1
Food business (non-restaurant)	1	-	8	-	2
Billiard establishments, public bowling-alleys and public skating rinks	-	1	1	-	-
Cinemas	-	-	-	-	-
Theme parks and attractions	-	1	-	-	-
Family amusement centres	-	1	-	-	-
Hotels	-	1	1	-	-
Recreational clubs	-	1	-	-	-
Karaoke establishments, night clubs, bars and other entertainment clubs	-	-	2	-	-
Guesthouses, holiday camps and holiday flats	-	1	1	-	-
Total:	2	6	17	-	3