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Submission

Response to the Public Consultation of the Policy Address 2025



Submission in response to the Public Consultation for the 2025 Policy Address

Clean Air Network submitted a policy recommendation to the Hong Kong Government on 15 August in response to the ongoing public consultation for the 2025 policy address.

Over the past decade, Hong Kong has made significant progress in enhancing ambient and roadside air quality. With shifting public health risks and demographic changes, it is imperative that we continue to strengthen the clean-air efforts. Specifically, as there is lack of systematic and sufficient management of indoor air quality across places in Hong Kong, it poses considerable risks especially to vulnerable groups such as children, the elderly, and individuals with pre-existing health conditions.

We believe the Policy Address should outline the Government's plans to achieve clean air for all in Hong Kong in the following areas –

1. Continuing to Tackle Air Pollution Issues to Enhance Public Health

- Despite improvements, Hong Kong's ambient and roadside air quality continues to lag behind other major cities. In 2023, the city achieved only 75% of its short term Air Quality Objectives (AQOs) with significant gaps in Nitrogen Dioxide and Ozone levels. Notably, in 2024, the roadside Nitrogen Dioxide exceeded the World Health Organization's most stringent standards by 550%.
- Lung cancer remains the leading cause of death in Hong Kong, and air pollution contributes significantly to other serious health issues
- The situation is particularly dire for vulnerable groups such as children, the elderly, individuals with pre-existing conditions, and low-income communities.
- Furthermore, air pollution undermines the productivity and attractiveness of Hong Kong as a tourism, business and international financial hub.

2. Strengthening Measures to Address Ambient and Roadside Air Quality

- Tightening the Air Quality Objectives
- Promotion of adoption of new energy vehicles
- Formulating an Action Plan based on the Completed Study on Regional Ozone
- Marine Electrification
 - Onshore Power Supply (OPS) for Ocean-Going Vessels (OGVs)

- Electrification of Harbour Craft and Domestic Vessels

3. Addressing Indoor Air Quality (IAQ)

- Tackling IAQ with an Inter-Bureau and Departmental Approach
- Legislating for IAQ
- Developing Support for Pre-Schools and Hospitals
- Setting Role Models for Data Transparency
- Expanding the IAQ Certification Scheme

To read the [full recommendation](#), [click here](#).

Clean Air Neighborhood Schools Joint Exhibit

On 1 August, students from St. Francis Xavier's College, Jockey Club Man Kwan Eduyoung College, Po On Commercial Association Wong Siu Ching Secondary School, Mu Kuang English School and The Mission Covenant Church Holm Glad College exhibited the fruits of their education program with us, interacting with the public and explaining what they learned.

Their research topics ranged from their monitoring of pollution at Kai Tak Cruise Terminal, the impact of industrial activity on air quality in Tuen Mun, how land use planning affects air pollution in Tsuen Wan to the working environment of cleaners working in the Yau Ma Tei district.

This exhibition not only promoted awareness of the impacts on air pollution among the public, but allowed the students to put their learning into practice, see how the community cares about air quality and personally experience how their studies influence members of society.

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Air problems and data analysis: summer internship sharing

Our internship program in collaboration with The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (PolyU) has successfully wrapped up. Running for 5 days from 4 August to 8 August, 19 students from 10 different international, English School Foundation and local schools attended the internship to learn about data science and visualisation using Clean Air topics and their health impacts as examples.

The secondary school students were led by working and retired professional data experts who generously volunteered their time and expertise and university students from the PolyU School of Nursing as mentors throughout the entire 5 days.

The interns will share their learning experiences in a review session. Teachers and students of Geography, Information and Communication Technology and Health Management and Social Care are invited to attend and learn more about CANs educational programs.

Summer internship sharing session
Date: 20 September (Saturday)

Time: 10am-11am
Location: Valtorta College, Pui Yin Ln, Tai Po
To join in the sharing, [click here](#).

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2025-2026 school year Primary and Secondary School educational program recruitment

CAN regularly organises lectures and exhibitions at schools to promote Clean Air knowledge among all age groups and grow awareness of environmentalism among future citizens.

We are recruiting schools and students to join our educational programs for the 2025-2026 school year and we invite teachers and parents to join the cause for the next generation. We offer tailored learning opportunities for both Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE) and the International Baccalaureate (IB) curriculum.

For the HKDSE, our course focuses on the secondary core subjects 'Citizenship, Economics and Society' and 'Citizenship and Social Development' as well as the senior secondary electives 'Geography' and 'Health Management and Social Care'. The program design is built on real community cases coupled with field trips to allow students to experience and use their academic learning in a real environment and encourage experiential learning.

In addition, CAN is also recruiting for the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme (IB), the CAN Interdisciplinary CAS Experience Programme 2025-26 builds on our previous experience and offers a holistic learning program with Creative, Activity and Service elements involving real life problems and exchanges with working professionals and in depth learning about how different stakeholders protect Clean Air and work towards community sustainable development.

To sign up for the above education initiatives, [click here](#).

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Editors Choice



Lamma Island Power Plant and island culture

Our CEO Patrick Fung spoke to media Eco-Business about the impact of the Lamma Island Power Plant on the environment and local community.

The impacts are not accurately known, as the air quality monitoring network does not include a station on Lamma Island and knowledge about the situation is not widespread, suggesting a lack of awareness and data. He also pointed out residents may feel powerless to do anything about the coal power station.

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Marine electrification

CAN was also interviewed by local newspaper Ming Pao on the reintroduction of shore power at the Kai Tak Cruise Terminal after the project was abandoned due to cost concerns 10 years ago.

Our CEO Patrick Fung pointed out the importance of making sure Hong Kong infrastructure in the maritime industry is up to date, noted that shore power is becoming generally accepted and international standards from organisations such as the International Maritime Organization and European Union are requiring stricter standards among cruise liners.

To learn more about shore power, please read our [policy recommendation on marine electrification](#).

[Read more \(Only in Chinese\)](#)



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