RNTPC Paper No. A/KTN/36B For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 2.3.2018

# <u>APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION</u> UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

# APPLICATION NO. A/KTN/36 (3<sup>rd</sup> Deferment)

**Applicant** : Ms. Cheung Kam Yin

Site : Lots 664 RP (Part), 665 RP, 667 and 672 (Part) in D.D. 96, Kwu Tung,

Sheung Shui, New Territories

**<u>Site Area</u>** : 1,950 m<sup>2</sup>

<u>Lease</u>: Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)

<u>Plan</u>: Approved Kwu Tung North Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/KTN/2

**Zoning** : "Other Specified Uses (Amenity Area)" ("OU(A)") (about 59.4%); and

an area shown as 'Road' (about 40.6%)

**Application**: Temporary Public Vehicle Park for Private Cars, Light and Medium

Good Vehicle with Ancillary Resting Room and Office for a Period of 1

Year

#### 1. Background

- 1.1 On 23.6.2017, the applicant submitted the application to seek planning permission for temporary public vehicle park for private cars, light and medium good vehicles with ancillary resting room and office for a period of 1 year at the application site (**Plan A-1**).
- 1.2 On 11.8.2017, the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) agreed to defer a decision on the application, as requested by the applicant, to allow two months' time for the applicant to prepare further information (FI) to address departmental comments. On 6.10.2017, the applicant submitted further information to address the comments of Transport Department (TD).
- 1.3 On 10.11.2017, the Committee agreed to defer a decision on the application, as requested by the applicant, to allow two months' time for preparation of FI to address the comments received from TD. On 5.1.2018, the applicant submitted a Traffic Impact Assessment (TIA) and a revised layout. The application is scheduled for consideration by the Committee on 2.3.2018.

### 2. Request for Deferment

On 12.2.2018, the applicant wrote to the Secretary of the Town Planning Board (the Board) and requested the Board to defer the consideration of the application in order to allow two months' time for the applicant to prepare FI to address further comments of TD (**Appendix I**).

## 3. Planning Department's Views

- 3.1 The application has been deferred twice for a total of four months at the request of the applicant to allow more time to address departmental comments. Since the last deferment on 10.11.2017, the applicant has submitted a TIA and a revised layout. However, the applicant needs more time to prepare FI to address TD's further comments.
- 3.2 The Planning Department has no objection to the request for deferment as the justification for deferment meets the criteria for deferment as set out in the Town Planning Board Guidelines on Deferment of Decision on Representations, Comments, Further Representations and Applications made under the Town Planning Ordinance (TPB PG-No. 33) in that the applicant need more time to prepare FI in response to departmental comments, the deferment period is not indefinite and the deferment would not affect the interests of other relevant parties.
- 3.3 Should the Committee agree to defer making a decision on the application, the application will be submitted to the Committee for consideration within two months upon receipt of FI from the applicant. If the FI submitted by the applicant is not substantial and can be processed within a shorter time, the application could be submitted to an earlier meeting for the Committee's consideration. Since it is the third deferment, the applicant should be advised that the Committee has allowed a total of six months for preparation of submission of FI and no further deferment would be granted unless under very special circumstances.

## 4. <u>Decision Sought</u>

The Committee is invited to consider whether or not to accede to the applicant's request for deferment. If the request is not acceded to, the application will be submitted to the Committee for consideration at the next meeting.

#### 5. Attachments

**Appendix I** Letter of 12.2.2018 from the applicant

Plan A-1 Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT MARCH 2018