RNTPC Paper No. A/KTN/58 For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 18.1.2019

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

# APPLICATION NO. A/KTN/58 (for 1<sup>st</sup> Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u>	:	Best Mark International Development Limited represented by Metro Planning and Development Company Limited
<u>Site</u>	:	Lot 540RP (Part) in D.D. 92 and Adjoining Government Land, Castle Peak Road, Kwu Tung, Sheung Shui, New Territories
<u>Site Area</u>	:	630 $\text{m}^2$ (about) (including about 15 $\text{m}^2$ of Government Land (about 2%))
<u>Land Status</u>	:	Old Schedule lots held under the Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)
<u>Plan</u>	:	Approved Kwu Tung North Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/KTN/2
Zoning	:	"Agriculture" ("AGR") (about 83.7%) and "Other Specified Uses" annotated "Amenity Area" ("OU(A)") (about 16.3%)
<u>Application</u>	:	Proposed Temporary Shop and Services (Selling of Converted Container and Showrooms for Koi, Steel Door and Aluminium Window) and Office for a Period of 3 Years

## 1. <u>Background</u>

The applicant seeks planning permission for proposed temporary shop and services (selling of converted container and showrooms for koi, steel door and aluminium window) and office at the application site for a period of three years (**Plan A-1**). The application is scheduled for consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) on 18.1.2019.

## 2. <u>Request for Deferment</u>

On 9.1.2019, 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 further information to address comments of Transport Department (**Appendix I**).

## 3. <u>Planning Department's Views</u>

- 3.1 The Planning Department <u>has no objection</u> 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 needs more time to prepare further information in response to departmental comments, the deferment period is not indefinite and the deferment would not affect the interests of other relevant parties.
- 3.2 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 further information from the applicant. If the further information 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. The applicant should be advised that the Committee has allowed two months for preparation of submission of further information, 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. <u>Attachments</u>

Appendix I Email of 9.1.2019 from the applicant

Plan A-1 Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT JANUARY 2019