RNTPC Paper No. A/SLC/154 For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 3.5.2019

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

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<u>Applicant</u>	:	Drainage Services Department (DSD), the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
<u>Site</u>	:	Lot 2760 in D.D. 316L, Pui O and Government Land along Chi Ma Wan Road (Pui O and Ham Tin) and near South Lantau Road at San Shek Wan, Lantau Island
<u>Site Area</u> Land Status	:	 About 17,400m², including: (i) 930m² for the proposed sewage pumping station and associated access road of 770m²; (ii) 7,600m² for excavation of land for proposed underground sewers; and (iii) 8,100m² for the proposed underground effluent pipe (i) New Grant No. 4386 for agricultural use (to be resumed under Roads
		 (Works, Use and Compensation) Ordinance) (about 70m² or 0.4%) (ii) Government Land (about 17,330m² or 99.6%)
<u>Plan</u>	:	Approved South Lantau Coast Outline Zoning Plan No. S/SLC/21
Zoning	:	"Coastal Protection Area" ("CPA")
Application	:	Proposed Public Utility Installation (Sewage Pumping Station, Underground Sewers and Underground Effluent Pipe) and Excavation of Land for Underground Sewers

1. <u>Background</u>

On 15.3.2019, the applicant seeks planning permission for public utility installation including construction of a sewage pumping station and laying of underground sewers, associated access road, underground effluent pipe, as well as excavation of land (from 1.5m to 4m in depth) for laying the underground sewers at the application sites (the Sites) (**Plan A-1**). The application is scheduled for consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) at this meeting.

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

On 17.4.2019, the applicant wrote to the Secretary of the Town Planning Board (the Board) and requested the Board to defer making a decision on the application for one month so as to

allow time for preparation of further information (FI) to resolve the comments recently raised by government departments and members of the public (**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 justifications for deferment meet 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 more time is required for the applicant to resolve the comments recently raised by government departments and members of the public, 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 submission 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. The applicant should be advised that the Committee has allowed one month for preparation and 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	Letter from the applicant dated 17.4.2019 requesting for deferment
Plan A-1	Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT MAY 2019