

**APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION**  
**UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE**

**APPLICATION NO. A/NE-HH/2**

*(for 1st Deferment)*

- Applicant** : The Swire Institute of Marine Science, The University of Hong Kong represented by Atha Editing & Consultancy
- Site** : Government Land covering Hoi Ha Lime Kilns in D.D. 283, Sai Kung, New Territories
- Site Area** : About 120 m<sup>2</sup>
- Land Status** : Government Land
- Plan** : Draft Hoi Ha Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/NE-HH/1, incorporating the amendments as shown on Plan No. R/S/NE-HH/1-A2
- Zoning** : “Conservation Area” (“CA”)
- Application** : Proposed Temporary Excavation of Land (for Bioarchaeological Research) for a Period of 2 Years

**1. Background**

The applicant seeks planning permission for the proposed temporary excavation of land for bioarchaeological research for a period of 2 years at the application site (the Site) (**Plan A-1**). The application is scheduled for consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) of the Town Planning Board (the Board) on 20.7.2018.

**2. Request for Deferment**

On 12.7.2018, the applicant’s representative wrote to the Secretary of the Board requesting the Board to defer making a decision on the application for two months in order to allow time for preparation of further information (FI) to address the comments of the Antiquities and Monuments Office, Leisure and Cultural Services Department (**Appendix I**).

### 3. **Planning Department's Views**

- 3.1 The Planning Department has no objection 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 the applicant needs more time to address the 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 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. The applicant should be advised that the Committee has allowed a period of two months for preparation of submission of FI, and no further deferment would be granted unless under very special circumstances.

### 4. **Decision Sought**

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 for the Committee's consideration at the next meeting.

### 5. **Attachments**

**Appendix I**  
**Plan A-1**

Email received on 12.7.2018 from the applicant's representative  
Location Plan

**PLANNING DEPARTMENT**  
**JULY 2018**