RNTPC Paper No. A/NE-PK/128A For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning <u>Committee on 1.6.2018</u>

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

# APPLICATION NO. A/NE-PK/128

# (for 2<sup>nd</sup> Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u>	:	Rich Friend Investment Limited represented by Mr. PANG Hing Yeun
<u>Site</u>	:	Lots 1641 RP (Part) and 1642 S.A to 1642 S.E in D.D. 91, Kai Leng, Sheung Shui, New Territories
<u>Site Area</u>	:	723.72 m <sup>2</sup> (about)
Lease	:	Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)
<u>Plan</u>	:	Approved Ping Kong Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/NE-PK/11
Zoning	:	"Agriculture" ("AGR")
<u>Application</u>	:	Temporary Private Car Park (Private Car and Light Goods Vehicle) for a Period of 3 Years

# 1. Background

- 1.1 The applicant seeks planning permission for a temporary private car park (private car and light goods vehicle) for a period of three years at the application site (the Site) (**Plan A-1**).
- 1.2 On 16.3.2018, the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) of the Town Planning Board (the Board) agreed to defer making a decision on the application for two months, as requested by the applicant, to allow time for the applicant to prepare further information (FI) to address departmental comments. The application is scheduled for consideration by the Committee on 1.6.2018.

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

On 10.5.2018, the Secretary of the Board received a letter from the applicant's representative. The applicant's representative requested the Board to defer making a decision on the application for another two more months in order to allow time to prepare FI to address the departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

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

- 3.1 The application has been deferred once for two months at the request of the applicant to allow more time to address the departmental comments. Since the first deferment on 16.3.2018, the applicant has hired consultants to prepare landscape proposal and drainage proposal, and to revise the layout of the private car park under application to address the departmental comments. In this regard, more time is required to prepare the FI.
- 3.2 The Planning Department has no objection to the request for deferment as the justifications 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 address the 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 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 a maximum period of two months for preparation of submission of FI. Since it is the second deferment of the application, the applicant should be advised that the Committee has allowed a total of four 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. <u>Attachments</u>

Appendix I	Letter received on 10.5.2018 from the applicant's representative
Plan A-1	Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT JUNE 2018