

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION
UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

APPLICATION NO. A/NE-TKL/580

(for 2nd Deferment)

- Applicant** : Zetta Fire Equipment Company Limited represented by Kenneth To and Associates Limited
- Site** : Lot 436 RP (Part) in D.D. 77, Ping Che, New Territories
- Site Area** : 348.6 m² (about)
- Lease** : Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)
- Plan** : Approved Ping Che and Ta Kwu Ling Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/NE-TKL/14
- Zoning** : “Open Storage” (“OS”)
- Application** : Proposed Temporary Dangerous Goods Godown and Industrial Use for a Period of 5 Years

1. Background

- 1.1 The applicant seeks planning permission for the proposed temporary dangerous goods godown and industrial use for a period of five years at the application site (the Site) (**Plan A-1**). On 12.1.2018, 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 the comments of relevant Government departments.
- 1.2 On 15.1.2018, the applicant’s representative submitted a response-to-comment table, and revised calculation sheets and swept path analyses of the traffic impact assessment to address the comments of Drainage Services Department and Transport Department (TD). The application is scheduled for consideration by the Committee on 2.3.2018.

2. Request for Deferment

On 22.2.2018, the applicant wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to defer making a decision on the application for another two months in order to allow time for the preparation of FI to address the further comments of TD (**Appendix I**).

3. Planning Department's Views

- 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 12.1.2018, the applicant submitted FI on 15.1.2018 including a response-to-comment table, and revised calculation sheets and swept path analyses of the traffic impact assessment in response to the departmental comments. Nevertheless, the applicant needs more time to prepare FI to address the further comments of TD on the transport aspect.
- 3.2 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 prepare FI 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 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. Attachments

Appendix I	Letter received on 22.2.2018 from the applicant's representative
Plan A-1	Location Plan