RNTPC Paper No. A/NE-TK/649 For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 17.8.2018

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

# <u>APPLICATION NO. A/NE-TK/649</u> (for 1<sup>st</sup> Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u>	Mr. NGAI Hok Ming
<u>Site</u>	Lot 646 S.A in D.D. 23, Po Sam Pai Village, Shuen Wan, Tai Po, New Territories
<u>Site Area</u>	About 242 m <sup>2</sup>
Lease	Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)
<u>Plan</u>	Approved Ting Kok Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/NE-TK/19
<b>Zoning</b>	"Agriculture" ("AGR")
<u>Application</u>	Proposed Public Utility Installation (Solar Energy System)

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

The applicant seeks planning permission for a proposed public utility installation (solar energy system) on 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 17.8.2018.

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

On 2.8.2018, the applicant wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to defer making a decision on the application for two months so as to allow time for preparation of further information in support of the application (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 support of the application, 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 further submission 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 IEmail dated 2.8.2018 from the applicantPlan A-1Location plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT AUGUST 2018