RNTPC Paper No. A/YL-LFS/311 For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 20.4.2018

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

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(1st Deferment)

Applicant: Blessed Villa Company Limited represented by R-riches Property

Consultants Limited

Site : Lot 1564 RP (Part) in D.D.129 and Adjoining Government Land,

Lau Fau Shan, Yuen Long, New Territories

Site Area : 2,275 m² (including Government Land (GL) of 97 m²)

Lease : Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)

Plan : Draft Lau Fau Shan & Tsim Bei Tsui Outline Zoning Plan No.

S/YL-LFS/8

Zoning : "Green Belt" ("GB")

Application : Temporary Place of Recreation, Sports or Culture (Hobby Farm)

for a Period of 3 Years

1. Background

On 22.2.2018, the applicant sought planning permission to use the application site for temporary place of recreation, sports or culture (hobby farm) for a period of 3 years (**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) at this meeting.

2. Request for Deferment

On 10.4.2018, the applicant wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to defer making a decision on the application for 2 months to allow time to prepare further information to address departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

3. Planning Department's Views

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 time to prepare further information to address 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 2 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 2 months for preparation of submission of further information, 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 to the Committee for consideration at the next meeting.

5. Attachments

Appendix I Applicant's letter dated 10.4.2018 requesting for deferment

Plan A-1 Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT APRIL 2018