RNTPC Paper No. A/YL-PN/63 For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 4.9.2020

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

APPLICATION NO. A/YL- PN/63 (for 1st Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u>	:	Team J9 International Disaster Search and Rescue Canine Team		
<u>Site</u>	:	Government Land (GL) in D.D.135 (Former Ha Tsuen Heung Pak Nai Public School), Sheung Pak Nai, Yuen Long, New Territories		
<u>Site Area</u>	:	About 1,620 m ²		
Land Status	:	GL		
<u>Plan</u>	:	Approved Sheung Pak Nai and Ha Pak Nai Outline Zoning Plan No. S/YL-PN/9		
Zoning	:	"Coastal Protection Area" ("CPA")		
Application	:	Proposed Temporary Education Centre and Animal Boarding Establishment for a Period of 3 Years		

1. Background

On 17.7.2020, the applicant sought planning permission to use the application site (the Site) for proposed temporary education centre and animal boarding establishment 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. <u>Request for Deferment</u>

On 27.8.2020, 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 to address comments of the relevant departments (**Appendix I**).

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

3.1 The Planning Department has <u>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 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 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 also 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 I	Email of 27.8.2020 from the applicant
Plan A-1	Location plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT SEPTEMBER 2020