RNTPC Paper No. <u>A/YL/255</u> For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 22.3.2019

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

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(for 1st Deferment)

Applicant : Mr Chiu Ping Yin represented by R-riches Property Consultants

Limited

Site : Lots 305 RP (Part), 307 (Part), 308, 309, 310 (Part), 311 (Part), 312 RP,

313 RP, 316 RP, 1220 RP (Part), 1223 (Part), 1224 RP (Part) and 1225 RP (Part) in D.D. 116, and adjoining Government Land, Au Tau, Yuen

Long, New Territories

Site Area : 8,271.8m² (about) (including government land of about 188.6m²)

<u>Lease</u> : Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)

Plan : Approved Yuen Long Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/YL/23

Zoning : "Government, Institution or Community" ("G/IC") (about 53.75%),

[restricted to a maximum building height of 8 storeys excluding basement(s)]

and

"Open Space" ("O") (about 46.25%)

Application : Temporary Public Vehicle Park (excluding container vehicle) for a

Period of 6 Years

1. Background

On 11.2.2019, the applicant sought planning permission for a temporary public vehicle park (excluding container vehicle) for a period of 6 years on the application 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) at this meeting.

2. Request for Deferment

On 7.3.2019, the applicant's representative 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 departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

3. Planning Department's Views

- 3.1 Upon circulation of the application for departmental comments, there are comments including the traffic and firefighting aspects that the applicant needs to address. The applicant has indicated that more time is needed for preparation of further information to address concerned departmental comments.
- 3.2 The Planning Department <u>has no objection</u> 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 further information in response to 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 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. Attachments

Appendix I Letter dated 7.3.2019 from the applicant's representative

Plan A-1 Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT MARCH 2019