TPB Paper No. 10554 For Consideration by The Town Planning Board on 28.6.2019

REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS NO. A/NE-TT/9 and 10 UNDER SECTION 17 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

Proposed Houses (New Territories Exempted Houses - Small Houses) Government Land in D.D.289, Ko Tong, Tai Po, New Territories

(for 1st Deferment)

<u>Applicants</u>	:	0	(Application No. A/NE-TT/9) (Application No. A/NE-TT/10) d.
<u>Sites</u>	:	Government Land in D.D. 289, Ko Tong, Tai Po, New Territories	
<u>Site Areas</u>	:	About 65.03 m ² each	
Land Status	:	Government Land	
<u>Plan</u>	:	Approved Tai Tan, Uk Tau, Ko Tong and Ko Plan (OZP) No. S/NE-TT/2	Tong Ha Yeung Outline Zoning
Zoning	:	"Green Belt" ("GB")	
Applications	:	Proposed House (New Territories Exempted I	House (NTEH) - Small House)
<u>RNTPC's</u> decision		Rejected on 8.3.2019	
<u>Subject of</u> <u>Review</u>		To review the Rural and New Town Planning to reject the applications	Committee (RNTPC)'s decision

1. Background

- 1.1 The applicants sought planning permissions to build a proposed NTEH (Small House) on each of the application sites (the Sites). The Sites fall within an area zoned "Green Belt" ("GB") on the approved Tai Tan, Uk Tau, Ko Tong and Ko Tong Ha Yeung OZP No. S/NE-TT/2 (Plan R-1). On 8.3.2019, the RNTPC of the Town Planning Board (the Board) rejected the applications.
- 1.2 On 11.4.2019, the applicants applied, under Section 17(1) of the Ordinance, for a review of the RNTPC's decision to reject the applications. The applications are scheduled for consideration by the Board on 28.6.2019.

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

On 10.6.2019, the applicants' representative wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to defer making a decision on the review applications for two months in order to allow time to consult relevant Government departments with a view to preparing further information (FI) to address their comments (Annex A).

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

- 3.1 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 applicants need more time to prepare FI in support of the review applications, the deferment period is not indefinite, and the deferment would not affect the interests of other relevant parties.
- 3.2 Should the Board agree to defer a decision on the review applications, the applications will be submitted to the Board for consideration within three months upon receipt of further submission from the applicants. If the FI submitted by the applicants is not substantial and can be processed within a shorter time, the applications could be submitted to an earlier meeting for the Board's consideration. The applicants should be advised that the Board has allowed two months for preparation of submission of FI, and no further deferment would be granted unless under very special circumstances.

4. Decision Sought

The Board is invited to consider whether or not to accede to the applicants' request for deferment. If the request is not acceded to, the applications will be submitted to the Board for consideration at the next meeting.

5. Attachments

Annex A	Letters dated 10.6.2019 from the applicants' representative
Plan R-1	Location Plan

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