

Our Ref.: DD108 Lot 55 Your Ref.: TPB/A/YL-PH/974

The Secretary Town Planning Board 15/F, North Point Government office 333 Java Road North Point, Hong Kong



<u>By Email</u>

27 December 2023

Dear Sir,

# 1<sup>st</sup> Further Information

Temporary Open Storage of Construction Materials and Machineries with Ancillary Facilities for a Period of 3 Years and Associated Filling of Land in "Residential (Group D)" Zone, Lot 55 (Part) in D.D. 108, Pat Heung, Yuen Long, New Territories

# (S.16 Planning Application No. A/YL-PH/974)

We are writing to submit further information to address departmental comments of the subject application (**Appendix I**).

Should you require more information regarding the application, please contact our or the undersigned at your convenience. Thank we for your kind attention

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Yours faithfully,

For and on behalf of R-riches Property Consultants Limited

Matthew NG Planning and Development Manager

cc DPO/FSYLE, PlanD

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# **Responses-to-Comments**

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(i) The applicant would like to provide clarifications for the planning application, details are as follows:

# Previous application of the application site (the Site)

- The previous application No. A/YL-PH/953 was approved by the Town Planning Board (the Board) on a temporary basis of 3 years on 23/6/2023. However, the applicant only received the approval letter from the Board on 14/7/2023. The applicant's contractor did not have sufficient time (i.e. 2 weeks only) for the provision of the proposed fire extinguishers at the Site and a valid Certificate of Fire Service Installation and Equipment (FS 251) by the designated time period, which led to revocation of the application on 4/8/2023.
- The applicant will strictly follow the proposed scheme and make effort to comply with all relevant approval conditions after planning approval has been granted by the Board, in order to minimize potential adverse impact arisen from the proposed development.

Approval of the current application is in line with Town Planning Board's previous decision

- The Site is subject to two previous S.16 planning applications Nos. A/YL-PH/869 and A/YL-PH/953 for the same 'open storage' use submitted by the same applicant, which was approved by the Board on a temporary basis of 3 years in 2021 and 2023 respectively. In addition, several S.16 planning applications for 'open storage' use were also approved by the Board on a temporary basis within the same "Residential (Group D)" ("R(D)") zone.
- Therefore, approval of the current application on a temporary basis of 3 years is in line with the Board's previous decisions and would not set undesirable precedent within the "R(D)" zone.

To minimise potential environmental nuisance generated by the proposed development

- The applicant will strictly follow the 'Code of Practice on Handling the Environmental Aspects of Temporary Uses and Open Storage Sites' issued by Environmental Protection Department and statutory requirements under relevant pollution control ordinances to minimize adverse environmental impacts and nuisance to the surrounding area. The applicant will follow the Professional Persons Environmental Consultative Committee Practice Notes for sewage treatment at the Site.
- According to the applicant, container vehicle (CV) will be deployed for transportation of construction materials and machineries, hence, one loading/unloading space for CV is provided at the Site. 'Stop and give away' and 'Beware of pedestrians' signs would be



erected to ensure pedestrian safety to/from the Site. No extra vehicular trips will be generated outside of operation hours during the planning approval period. As traffic generated and attracted by the proposed development is minimal, adverse traffic impacts to the surrounding road network should not be anticipated.

 2.5m high solid metal wall with thickness of 5mm will be erected along the site boundary by the applicant to minimize nuisance to the surrounding area. The boundary wall will be installed properly by licensed contractor to prevent misalignment of walls, to ensure that there is no gap or slit on boundary wall.

# To minimise noise impact to the surrounding area

 In response to the public concern on the operation hours, the operation hours will be restricted to Monday to Saturday from 09:00 to 18:00. No operation on Sunday and public holiday. No workshop activities will be carried out at the Site at any time during the planning approval period.

# To minimise flood risk to the surrounding area

- The applicant has submitted a drainage proposal to mitigate any adverse impact arising from the proposed development. The applicant will implement the drainage facilities, i.e. peripheral u-channels and catchpits in accordance to the accepted drainage proposal after planning approval has been granted by the Board, in order to minimise flood risk to the surrounding area.
- (ii) A RtoC Table:

	Departmental Comments	Applicant's Responses					
1. C	comments of Commissioner for Transport (C	C for T)					
(	Contact Person: Mr. Phil CAI; Tel: 2399 2421	.)					
(a)	The applicant should demonstrate the smooth manoeuvring of vehicles to/from Fan Kam Road and along the local access;	A swept path analysis is provided to demonstrate the smooth manoeuvring of vehicles to/from Fan Kam Road and along the local access ( <b>Plan 1</b> ).					
(b)	The applicant should note the local access between Fan Kam Road and the site is not manage by his Department.	Noted.					
2. C	comments of District Lands Officer/Yuen Lo	ng, Lands Department (DLO/YL, LandsD)					
(	Contact Person: Ms. S. L. CHENG; Tel: 2443	1072)					
(a)	LandsD has grave concerns given that	Noted. The applicant will submit Short					
	there are unauthorized building works	Term Waiver application to rectify the					
	and/or uses on the private lots which is	applied use after planning permission has					
	already subject to lease enforcement	been obtained from the Board.					
	actions according to case priority. The lot						



	owner(s) should remedy the lease breaches as demanded by LandsD.				
3. C	omments of Director of Agriculture, Fisher Contact Person: Ms. WONG Cheuk-ling; Tel	ies and Conservation (DAFC) : 2150 6933)			
(a)	A minor portion (in the south) of the application site encroaches upon a natural stream. The applicant should clarify if the proposed use would have any direct/adverse impact on the stream.	<ul> <li>Please be confirmed that no filling of land</li> <li>will be carried at the concerned portion</li> <li>that encroached upon a natural steam</li> <li>(Plan 2). Fencing will be erected to</li> <li>separate the Site and the natural stream</li> <li>during the planning approval period.</li> <li>Therefore, direct/adverse impact to the</li> <li>stream should not be anticipated.</li> </ul>			
4. C	omments of Director of Fire Services (D of Contact Person: Mr. CHAU Nai-yin; Tel: 273	FS) 33 7781)			
(a)	Sufficient portable fire extinguishers shall be provided to the open storage area;	A revised fire service installations proposal, showing the provision of fire extinguishers, is provided for your consideration ( <b>Annex I</b> ).			
(b)	Elaborate the type of construction materials will be stored in the site.	The proposed development involves open storage of construction materials (i.e. tiles, pipes, bricks etc.) and machineries (i.e. excavator) to support the construction industry. No dangerous goods will be stored at the application site at any time during the planning approval period.			
5. C	comments of Chief Engineer/Mainland, Dra Contact Person: Mr. Terence TANG; Tel: 23	inage Services Department (CE/MN, DSD) 00 1257)			
(a)	The size of discharge pipe is not consistent on drainage plan, calculations and section drawings. Please revise accordingly.	A revised drainage proposal is provided for your consideration ( <b>Annex II</b> ). Please be noted that the discharge pipe is revised accordingly and 450mm of dia. Pipe is proposed.			
(b)	Please indicate the 3m offset from watercourse and also all your proposed structures on plan for reference.	It is indicated accordingly and the statement "All proposed work shall be offset at least 3m from existing watercourse" is indicated in Note of drainage layout plan.			



(c)	The submitted photo does not show the	Photo of existing watercourse bank					
	existing watercourse bank condition	condition (Photo 3) is provided for your					
	clearly. Please retake.	reference but it was found that the bank					
		mostly covered by greensward and plants.					













# PHOTO1: EXISTING WATERCOURSE CONDITION



PHOTO 2: SITE CONDITION

# Existing Stream



PHOTO13: AERIAL PHOTO of EXISTING WATERCOURSE CONDITION







### Company: Project :

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Date:

### Calculation for channels:

Catchment Area of site

Area A	=	2987 0.002987	m^2 km^2							
Peak runoff in m^3/s	= = =	0.278 0.197217 11833	x m^3/s liter/min	0.95	Х	250	mm/hr	X	0.002987	km^2
Area B	=	2650 0.00265	m^2 km^2							
Peak runoff in m^3/s	= = =	0.278 0.0460 m 2763	x n^3/s liter/min	0.25	х	250	mm/hr	X	0.00265	km^2

According to (Figure 8.7 - Chart for the Rapid Design of Channels), For gradient 1:100, 375UC will be suitable for the site at the western site. For gradient 1:100, 225UC will be suitable for the site at eastern side.

Total Peak Runoff of site area	=	0.243	m^3/s
	=	14580	liter/min

Check 450mm dia. Pipe by Colebrook-White Equation

$$V = -\sqrt{(8gDs)}\log(\frac{ks}{3.7D} + \frac{2.51v}{D\sqrt{(2gDs)}})$$

where :									
V		=			mean vel	locity (m/s)			
g		=	9.81	m/s2	gravitatio	onal acceleration (m/s2)			
D		=	0.45	m	internal p	pipe diameter (m)			
ks		=	0.000003	m	hydraulic	c pipeline roughness (m)		(Table 5,	from DSD Sewerage Manual, uPVC)
v		=	1.14E-06	m2/s	kinemati	c viscosity of fluid (m2/s	s)		
S		=	0.01		hydraulic	c gradient			
Therefore, de cap	sign V of pipe acity	=	2.7541	m/s	>	Design velocity from catchment area	= 0.243 = 1.527	m3/s / m/s	0.45^2 * pi/4 <b>⇒0.K.</b>

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Geotechnical Engineering Office, Civil Engineering and Development Department

# Slopes Guidelines on Hydraulic Design of U-shaped and Half-round Channels on GEO Technical Guidance Note No. 43 (TGN 43)



ANNEX TGN 43 A1



# Connection Detail of Existing channel







Figure 8.11 - Typical U-channel Details



Figure 8.10 - Typical Details of Catchpits



# ALTERNATIVE TOP SECTION FOR PRECAST CONCRETE COVERS / GRATINGS

### NOTES:

- 1. ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN MILLIMETRES.
- 2. ALL CONCRETE SHALL BE GRADE 20 /20.
- 3. CONCRETE SURFACE FINISH SHALL BE CLASS U2 OR F2 AS APPROPRIATE.
- 4. FOR DETAILS OF JOINT, REFER TO STD. DRG. NO. C2413.
- 5. CONCRETE TO BE COLOURED AS SPECIFIED.
- UNLESS REQUESTED BY THE MAINTENANCE PARTY AND AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER, CATCHPIT WITH TRAP IS NORMALLY NOT PREFERRED DUE TO PONDING PROBLEM.
- 7. UPON THE REQUEST FROM MAINTENANCE PARTY, DRAIN PIPES AT CATCHPIT BASE CAN BE USED BUT THIS IS FOR CATCHPITS LOCATED AT SLOPE TOE ONLY AND AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER.
- 8. FOR CATCHPITS CONSTRUCTED ON OR ADJACENT TO A FOOTPATH, STEEL GRATINGS (SEE DETAIL 'A' ON STD. DRG. NO. C2405 ) OR CONCRETE COVERS (SEE STD. DRG. NO. C2407 ) SHALL BE PROVIDED AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER.
- 9. IF INSTRUCTED BY THE ENGINEER, HANDRAILING (SEE DETAIL 'G' ON STD. DRG. NO. C2405; EXCEPT ON THE UPSLOPE SIDE ) IN LIEU OF STEEL GRATINGS OR CONCRETE COVERS CAN BE ACCEPTED AS AN ALTERNATIVE SAFETY MEASURE FOR CATCHPITS NOT ON A FOOTPATH NOR ADJACENT TO IT. TOP OF THE HANDRAILING SHALL BE 1 000 mm MIN. MEASURED FROM THE ADJACENT GROUND LEVEL.
- 10. MINIMUM INTERNAL CATCHPIT WIDTH SHALL BE 1 000 mm FOR CATCHPITS WITH A HEIGHT EXCEEDING 1 000 mm MEASURED FROM THE INVERT LEVEL TO THE ADJACENT GROUND LEVEL. AND, STEP IRONS (SEE DSD STD. DRG. NO. DS1043) AT 300 ¢ STAGGERED SHALL BE PROVIDED. THICKNESS OF CATCHPIT WALL FOR INSTALLATION OF STEP IRONS SHALL BE INCREASED TO 150 mm.
- 11. FOR RETROFITTING AN EXISTING CATCHPIT WITH STEEL GRATING, SEE DETAIL 'F' ON STD. DRG. NO. C2405.
- 12. SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE ENGINEER, OTHER MATERIALS CAN ALSO BE USED AS COVERS / GRATINGS.

	– FORMER DRG.	NO. C2406J. Original Signed 03.2015						
	REF. R	EVISION SIGNATURE DATE						
CATCHPIT WITH TRAP	CI CEDD DEV	CIVIL ENGINEERING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT						
(SHEET 2 OF 2)	SCALE 1:20 DRAWING NO.							
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