<u>APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION</u> UNDER SECTION 12A OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

APPLICATION NO. Y/NE-TK/19

(for 1st Deferment)

Applicant: Mr. YUEN Shu Ming represented by R Lee Architects Ltd.

<u>Site</u>: Various Lots in D.D. 23, Tung Tsz, Tai Po, New Territories

<u>Site Area</u> : About 1,494.67m²

Lease : Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural purpose)

Plan : Approved Ting Kok Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/NE-TK/19

Zonings : "Agriculture" ("AGR") (about 98.6% of the Site); and

"Green Belt ("GB") (about 1.4% of the Site)

Application: To rezone the application site from "AGR" and "GB" to "Government,

Institution or Community" ("G/IC")

1. Background

On 17.1.2025, the applicant submitted the current application to rezone the application site (the Site) from "AGR" and "GB" to "G/IC" (**Plan Z-1**) to facilitate the development of a proposed social welfare facility (residential care home for the elderly). 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 16.4.2025, 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 in order to prepare further information (FI) to address the departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

3. Planning Department's Views

3.1 The Planning Department <u>has no objection</u> to the request for the first 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, Further Representations and Applications made under the Town Planning Ordinance (TPB PG-No. 33B) in that the deferment would

allow the applicant to prepare FI to address outstanding issues.

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 FI from the applicant. If the FI submitted by the applicant is not substantial and could 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 the submission of FI, 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 for the Committee's consideration at the next meeting.

5. Attachments

Appendix I Letter dated 16.4.2025 from the Applicant's Representative

Plan Z-1 Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT MAY 2025