APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

APPLICATION NO. A/YL-PN/84

(for 1st Deferment)

Applicant: Wat Buddhadhamaram Limited represented by FiBi International Project

Consultancy Co. Limited

Site : Lot 65 RP (Part) in D.D. 135, Pak Nai, Yuen Long, New Territories

Site Area : About 11,982m²

Lease : Tai Po New Grant No. 2936

<u>Plan</u>: Approved Sheung Pak Nai and Ha Pak Nai Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No.

S/YL-PN/9

Zoning : Coastal Protection Area" ("CPA")

Application: Temporary Religious Institution (Thai Buddhist Monastery) with Ancillary

Facilities for a Period of Three Years

1. Background

On 25.3.2025, the applicant sought planning permission for temporary religious institution (Thai Buddhist Monastery) with ancillary facilities for a period of three years at the application site (the 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 14.5.2025, the applicant 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 allow time for preparation of further information (FI) to address departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

3. Planning Department's Views

3.1. The Planning Department has <u>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, Comments, 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 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 a period of two months for preparation of submission of FI, and no further deferment would be granted unless under very special circumstances.

4. Decision Sought

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 Email dated 14.5.2025 from the applicant

Plan A-1 Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT MAY 2025