RNTPC Paper No. <u>A/YL-TT/702A</u> For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 4.7.2025

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

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(for 2nd Deferment)

Applicant : DKM Christian Fellowship Limited (錦綉基督徒團契有限公司)

Site : Lots 1236 RP and 1237 S.C in D.D. 117, Tai Tong, Yuen Long, New

Territories

Site Area : 953 m² (about)

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

<u>Plan</u>: Approved Tai Tong Outline Zoning Plan No. S/YL-TT/20

Zoning : "Agriculture"

Application: Proposed Religious Institution (Christian Worshipping Centre)

1 Background

- 1.1 On 24.2.2025, the applicant sought planning permission for proposed religious institution (christian worshipping centre) at the application site (**Plan A-1**).
- 1.2 On 11.4.2025, the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) of the Town Planning Board (the Board) agreed to defer making a decision on the application for two months, as requested by the applicant, to allow more time to prepare further information (FI) to address departmental comments. On 7.5.2025, the applicant submitted FI to address departmental comments.

2 Request for Deferment

On 27.6.2025, 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 FI to address departmental comments ($\bf Appendix\ I$).

3 Planning Department's Views

- 3.1 The Planning Department <u>has no objection</u> to the request for the second deferment as the justification for deferment meets the criteria 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 a total period of four months for preparation of the submission of FI. The second deferment should be the last deferment and no further deferment would be granted unless under very special circumstances and supported with strong justifications.

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 27.6.2025 from the applicant

Plan A-1 Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT JULY 2025