# APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 12A OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

#### APPLICATION NO. Y/NE-TK/19

(for 2<sup>nd</sup> Deferment)

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

**Site** : Various Lots in D.D. 23, Tung Tsz, Tai Po, New Territories

**<u>Site Area</u>** : About 1,494.67m<sup>2</sup>

**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)

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

**Amendment** Institution or Community" ("G/IC")

## 1. <u>Background</u>

- 1.1 On 17.1.2025, the applicant submitted the current application to rezone the application site (the Site) from "AGR" and "GB" to "G/IC" to facilitate the development of a proposed social welfare facility (residential care home for the elderly) (**Plan Z-1**).
- 1.2 On 2.5.2025, 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 time for preparation of further information (FI) to address departmental comments.
- 1.3 On 22.5.2025, 20.6.2025 and 2.7.2025, the applicant submitted FIs to address departmental comments. The application is scheduled for consideration by the Committee at this meeting.

#### 2. Request for Deferment

On 2.7.2025, 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 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 second 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 a total 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. <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 to the Committee for consideration at the next meeting.

#### 5. Attachments

**Appendix I** Letter dated 2.7.2025 from the Applicant's Representative **Plan Z-1** Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT JULY 2025