<u>APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION</u> UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

APPLICATION NO. A/NE-TKLN/99

(for 1st Deferment)

Applicant: Vannex International Limited represented by Metro Planning and Development

Company Limited

Site : Lot 215 RP (Part) in D.D. 78, Ta Kwu Ling North, New Territories

Site Area : About 2,268m²

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

Plans : (i) Approved Ta Kwu Ling North Outline Zoning Plan No. S/NE-TKLN/2

(ii) Approved Wo Keng Shan Outline Zoning Plan No. S/NE-WKS/10

Zonings : (i) "Agriculture" ("AGR") (about 93%)

(ii) "Other Specified Uses" annotated "Landfill" ("OU(Landfill)") (about 7%)

Application: Proposed Temporary Battery Recycling Plant and Associated Filling of Land for a

Period of Three Years

1. Background

On 2.6.2025, the applicant submitted the current application to seek planning permission for proposed temporary battery recycling plant and associated filling of land for a period of three years at the application site (**Plan A-1**). The application is scheduled for consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) at this meeting.

2. Request for Deferment

On 22.7.2025, the applicant's representative wrote to the Secretary of the Town Planning Board (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 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 22.7.2025 from the applicant's representative

Plan A-1 Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT AUGUEST 2025