APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

APPLICATION NO. A/H4/100 (for 1st Deferment)

Applicant: SmarTone Mobile Communications Limited represented by Prudential

Surveyors International Limited

<u>Premises</u>: Portion of Top Roof of Pier 3 Garden, 11 Man Kwong Street, Hong Kong

Total Floor Area: About 22.5m²

of the Premises

Land Status : Government Property

Plan : Draft Central District Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/H4/17

Zoning : "Other Specified Uses" annotated "Pier" ("OU(Pier)")

Application : Proposed Public Utility Installation (Telecommunications Radio Base

Station)

1. Background

On 5.11.2021, the applicant submitted the application to seek planning permission for proposed public utility installation (telecommunications radio base station) at the subject site (**Plan A-1**). The application is scheduled for consideration by the Metro Planning Committee (the Committee) at this meeting.

2. Request for Deferment

On 21.12.2021, the applicant's representative wrote to the Secretary, Town Planning Board (the Board) and requested the Board to defer making a decision on the application for a period of two months in order to allow time to address comments from the ferry operator, i.e. Discovery Bay Transportation Services Limited (**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 justifications for deferment meet 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. 33A) in that the deferment would allow the applicant to prepare further information (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 further submission 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 from the Applicant's Representative dated 21.12.2021
Plan A-1 Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT DECEMBER 2021