# APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

## APPLICATION NO. A/H6/92

(for 1st Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u>: Six Arts Foundation Limited represented by SLHO & Associates Ltd.

<u>Site</u> : Former Wesley Hostel, So Kon Po Cottage Area, Happy Valley

Site Area : About 1,735m<sup>2</sup>

**Land Status** : Government Land

Plan : Approved Causeway Bay Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/H6/17

**Zonings** : (i) "Green Belt" (about 92%); and

(ii) Area shown as 'Road' (about 8%)

**Application** : Proposed Temporary Place of Recreation, Sports or Culture and School

for a Period of 5 Years

#### 1. Background

On 3.8.2022, the Town Planning Board (the Board) received an application seeking planning permission for a proposed temporary place of recreation, sports or culture and school for a period of 5 years at the application site (**Plan A-1**). The application is scheduled for consideration by the Metro Planning Committee (the Committee) of the Board at this meeting.

#### 2. Request for Deferment

On 8.9.2022, the applicant's representative wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to defer making a decision on the application for a period of one month so as to allow time to address departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

#### 3. Planning Department's View

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. 33A) in that the deferment would allow the applicant to prepare further information 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 further information 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 one month for preparation of submission of further information, 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** Letter received on 8.9.2022 from the applicant's representative **Plan A-1** Location plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT SEPTEMBER 2022