RNTPC Paper No. A/FSS/299 For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 25.10.2024

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

<u>APPLICATION NO. A/FSS/299</u> (for 1st Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u>	:	Hong Kong Housing Authority
<u>Site</u>	:	Government Land (GL) at Po Shek Wu Road, Sheung Shui, New Territories
<u>Site Area</u>	:	About 13,800m ²
Land Status	:	GL
<u>Plan</u>	:	Approved Fanling/Sheung Shui Outline Zoning Plan No. S/FSS/28
<u>Zoning</u>	:	"Residential (Group A)5" [Subject to a maximum total plot ratio (PR) of 7.0 and a maximum building height (BH) of 130mPD]
Application	:	Proposed Minor Relaxation of PR and BH Restrictions for Permitted Public Housing Development

1. <u>Background</u>

On 6.8.2024, the applicant sought planning permission for proposed minor relaxation of PR and BH restrictions for permitted public housing development 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. <u>Request for Deferment</u>

On 16.10.2024, the applicant 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 allow time for preparation of further information (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 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, 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 to the Committee for consideration at the next meeting.

5. <u>Attachments</u>

Appendix I	Letter from the applicant dated 16.10.2024
Plan A-1	Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT OCTOBER 2024