RNTPC Paper No. A/HSK/403 For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 14.10.2022

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

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(for 1<sup>st</sup> Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u>	: Bright Star Storage Management Limited represented by R-riches Property Consultants Limited
<u>Site</u>	: Lots 354 (Part), 355 (Part), 356 (Part), 357 (Part), 358 (Part), 359 (Part), 361 (Part), 362 (Part), 364 (Part), 365 (Part), 396 (Part), 397 (Part) and 398 (Part) in D.D.125, Ha Tsuen, Yuen Long, New Territories
<u>Site Area</u>	: About 5,582m <sup>2</sup>
<u>Lease</u>	: Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)
<u>Plan</u>	: Approved Hung Shui Kiu and Ha Tsuen Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/HSK/2
<u>Zoning</u>	: "Other Specified Uses" annotated "Logistics Facility" ("OU(LF)") [Restricted to a maximum plot ratio of 5 and a maximum building height of 110mPD]
<u>Application</u>	: Proposed Temporary Rural Workshop with Ancillary Facilities for a Period of 5 Years

#### 1. Background

On 19.8.2022, the applicant sought planning permission for proposed temporary rural workshop with ancillary facilities for a period of 3 years at the application site (**Plan A-1**). The application is scheduled for consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) of the Town Planning Board (the Board) at this meeting.

# 2. <u>Request for Deferment</u>

On 6.10.2022, the applicant's representative wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to defer making a decision on the application for two months in order to allow time to address departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

# 3. <u>Planning Department's Views</u>

- 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, 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. <u>Attachments</u>

Appendix I Letter dated 6.10.2022 from the applicant's representative

Plan A-1 Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT OCTOBER 2022