RNTPC Paper No. A/I-TOF/4 For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 13.1.2023

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

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(for 1st Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u>	:	Drainage Services Department/Consultant Management represented by Atkins China Limited
<u>Site</u>	:	Government Land in D.D. 313L near Hang Mei, Tai O, Lantau Island
<u>Site Area</u>	:	About 251.92m ²
Land Status	:	Government Land
<u>Plan</u>	:	Approved Tai O Fringe Outline Zoning Plan No. S/I-TOF/2
Zoning	:	"Green Belt"
Application	:	Proposed Public Utility Installation (Sewage Pumping Station) and Excavation of Land

1. Background

On 16.11.2022, the applicant sought planning permission for proposed public utility installation (sewage pumping station) 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 21.12.2022, 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 prepare further information (FI) 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 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 applicant needs more time 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. 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 for the Committee's consideration at the next meeting.

5. Attachments

Appendix I	Letter dated 21.12.2022 from the applicant's representative
Plan A-1	Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT JANUARY 2023