RNTPC Paper No. A/NE-HT/20A For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 11.8.2023

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

APPLICATION NO. A/NE-HT/20

(for 2nd Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u>	:	Ms. FUNG Chiu Han represented by R-riches Property Consultants Limited	
<u>Site</u>	:	Lots 1135 (Part), 1136 (Part), 1137, 1138, 1150 S.A, 1150 S.B, 1157 (Part), 1158 (Part), 1159 S.A (Part), 1159 RP (Part), 1160, 1170 (Part), 1173 S.B (Part), 1174 S.D (Part) in D.D. 76 and Adjoining Government Land, Hok Tau, Fanling, New Territories	
<u>Site Area</u>	:	About 16,692m ² (includes Government Land (GL) of about 179m ²)	
<u>Lease</u>	:	 (i) Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use) (about 99%) (ii) GL (about 1%) 	
<u>Plan</u>	:	Approved Hok Tau Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/NE-HT/7	
Zoning	:	"Agriculture" ("AGR")	
Application	:	Proposed Temporary Holiday Camp and Barbecue Site with Ancillary Facilities for a Period of Three Years and Associated Filling of Land	

1. <u>Background</u>

- 1.1 On 18.4.2023, the applicant submitted the current application to seek planning permission for proposed temporary holiday camp and barbecue site with ancillary facilities for a period of three years and associated filling of land at the application site (**Plan A-1**).
- 1.2 On 9.6.2023, the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) of the Town Planning Board (the Board) agreed to defer making a decision on the application for two months, as requested by the applicant, to allow time to prepare further information (FI) to address departmental comments.

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

On 4.8.2023, the applicant's representative wrote to the Secretary of the Town Planning Board to request for deferred consideration of the application for two months in order to prepare further information (FI) to address the 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 second 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 applicant needs more time to prepare FI to address departmental comments, the deferment period is not indefinite and the deferment would not affect the interests of other relevant parties.
- 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 a total of four months for preparation of the submission of FI. The second deferment should be the last deferment and no further deferment would be granted unless under very special circumstances and supported with strong justifications.

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. <u>Attachments</u>

Appendix I	Letter dated 4.8.2023 from the applicant's representative
Plan A-1	Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT AUGUST 2023