

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

**APPLICATION NO. A/NE-KLH/585**  
***(for 4<sup>th</sup> Deferment)***

<b><u>Applicant</u></b>	Man Tsz Ting Tso (Managers are Messrs. MAN Wai Lok Joe, MAN Kin Hung and MAN Ka Cheong Eddy) represented by Mr. HUI Kwan Yee
<b><u>Site</u></b>	Lot 477 RP in D.D. 9, Nam Wa Po, Tai Po, N.T.
<b><u>Site Area</u></b>	About 214.91m <sup>2</sup>
<b><u>Land Status</u></b>	Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)
<b><u>Plan</u></b>	Approved Kau Lung Hang Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/NE-KLH/11
<b><u>Zoning</u></b>	“Green Belt” (“GB”)
<b><u>Application</u></b>	Temporary Activity Centre for a Period of Three Years

**1. Background**

- 1.1 On 27.4.2020, the applicant submitted a planning application for a proposed temporary activity centre for a period of three years at the application site (the Site) (**Plan A-1**).
- 1.2 On 26.6.2020, 23.10.2020 and 5.2.2021, 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 each time, as requested by the applicant, to allow time for preparing further information (FI) to address departmental comments. On 11.3.2021, the applicant submitted FI providing responses to departmental comments and clarification on the operation details of the proposed portable toilet. The application is scheduled for consideration by the Committee at this meeting.

**2. Request for Deferment**

On 9.4.2021, 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 further two months in order to allow time to prepare a water quality risk assessment report to address the comments of Water Supplies Department (WSD) (**Appendix I**).

### 3. **Planning Department's Views**

- 3.1 The application has been deferred thrice for a total of six months at the requests of the applicant to allow time to address departmental comments. Since the last deferment on 5.2.2021, the applicant, on 11.3.2021, has provided responses to address departmental comments. In view of the need to provide more information to address the comments of WSD, the applicant needs more time to prepare FI to support the application.
- 3.2 The Planning Department has no objection to the request for 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. 33) in that the applicant needs more time to prepare FI in response to departmental comments, the deferment period is not indefinite, and the deferment would not affect the interests of other relevant parties.
- 3.3 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 can be processed within a shorter time, the application could be submitted to an earlier meeting for the Committee's consideration. Since it is the fourth deferment of the application, the applicant should be advised that the Board has allowed a total of eight months for preparation of FI, and no further deferment would be granted.

### 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**

<b>Appendix I</b>	Letter dated 9.4.2021 from the applicant's representative
<b>Plan A-1</b>	Location Plan

**PLANNING DEPARTMENT  
APRIL 2021**