RNTPC Paper No. A/NE-KLH/614 For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 14.10.2022

<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>	:	Mr. CHEUNG Wai Nang
<u>Site</u>	:	Lot 822 in D.D. 7, Wai Tau Village, Tai Po, New Territories
<u>Site Area</u>	:	About 600 m ²
Lease	:	Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)
<u>Plan</u>	:	Approved Kau Lung Hang Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/NE-KLH/11
Zoning	:	"Village Type Development" ("V") (about 98.8%) and "Agriculture" ("AGR") (about 1.2%)
Application	:	Proposed Public Utility Installation (Solar Photovoltaic System)

1. <u>Background</u>

On 23.8.2022, the applicant seeks planning permission for the proposed public utility installation (solar photovoltaic system) on the application site (the Site) (**Plan A-1**).

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

On 30.9.2022, the applicant wrote to the Secretary of the Town Planning Board to request for deferred consideration of the application for one month 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 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 (TPG PG No. 33A) in that the deferment would allow the applicant 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.

3.2 Should the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (Committee) agree to defer making 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 can be processed within a shorter time, the application could be submitted to an earlier meeting for the Committee has allowed one month for preparation of FI submission, 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 Plan A-1 Email dated 30.9.2022 from the Applicant Location plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT OCTOBER 2022