RNTPC Paper No. A/NE-KTS/507A For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 12.8.2022

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

<u>APPLICATION NO. A/NE-KTS/507</u> (for 2nd Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u>	:	Hau Lo Fat represented by T.H. & Associates Limited
<u>Site</u>	:	Lot 495 S.A. ss5 and ss6 in D.D. 92, Kam Tsin, Kwu Tung South
<u>Site Area</u>	:	About 270.7m ²
Lease	:	Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)
<u>Plan</u>	:	Approved Kwu Tung South Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/NE-KTS/18
Zoning	:	"Village Type Development" ("V")
Application	:	Proposed temporary private vehicle park for private car only for a period of 3 years

1. Background

- 1.1 On 10.2.2022, the applicant submitted the current application to seek planning permission for temporary public vehicle park for private cars only for a period of 3 years at the subject site (**Plan A-1**).
- 1.2 In view of COVID-19 and the latest special work arrangement for government departments announced by the Government, the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee), on 1.4.2022, agreed to defer making a decision on some of the applications, including Application No. A/NE-KTS/507.
- 1.3 On 1.6.2022, the Committee agreed to defer a decision on the application, as requested by the applicant, to allow two months' time for the applicant to prepare further information (FI) to address Transport Department's comments.

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

On 25.7.2022, the applicant's representative wrote to the Secretary, Town Planning

Board (the Board) and requested the Board to further defer making a decision on the application for two months in order to allow more time for preparation of FI (**Appendix** I).

3. Planning Department's View

- 3.1 The Planning Department has <u>no objection</u> to the request for the 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 further information 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 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 further information 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. Since it is the second deferment of the application, the applicant should be advised that the Committee has allowed a total of four months for preparation of 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. <u>Attachments</u>

Appendix I	Applicant's representative letter dated 25.7.2022
Plan A-1	Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT AUGUST 2022 _