APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

APPLICATION NO. A/NE-LT/734

(for 1st Deferment)

Applicants : Mr. CHI Yiu Hung and Ms. CHI Man Yan

Site : Lots 1115, 1116 and 1119 in D.D. 7, Kau Liu Ha, Lam Tsuen, Tai Po

Site Area : About 648m²

<u>Lease</u>: Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)

Plan : Approved Lam Tsuen Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/NE-LT/11

Zoning : "Agriculture" ("AGR")

Application: Temporary Shop and Services with Ancillary Office for a Period of 3 Years

1. Background

On 15.7.2022, the applicants seek planning permission for a temporary shop and services with ancillary office for a period of three years 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) on 9.9.2022.

2. Request for Deferment

On 26.8.2022, the applicants wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to defer making a decision on the application for two months so as to allow more time for preparation of further information (FI) to address departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

3. Planning Department's Views

3.1 The Planning Department <u>has no objection</u> 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. 33A) in that the applicants need more time to prepare the 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 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 applicants. If the FI submitted by the applicants 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. The applicants should be advised that the Committee has allowed two months 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 applicants' request for deferment. If the request is not acceded to, the application will be submitted to the Committee for consideration at the next meeting.

5. Attachments

Appendix I Letter dated 26.8.2022 from the applicants

Plan A-1 Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT SEPTEMBER 2022