RNTPC Paper No. A/NE-TKLN/44A For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 26.8.2022

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

#### **APPLICATION NO. A/NE-TKLN/44A**

(for 2<sup>nd</sup> Deferment)

Applicant : Mr. YEUNG Chi Kit represented by Metro Planning & Development Company

Limited

Site : Lot 1676 RP (Part) in D.D. 78, Ta Kwu Ling, New Territories

Site Area : About 485.6m<sup>2</sup>

Lease : Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)

Plan : Approved Ta Kwu Ling North Outline Zoning Plan No. S/NE-TKLN/2

**Zoning** : "Agriculture" ("AGR")

Application : Proposed Temporary Animal Boarding Establishment (Dog Kennel) for a

Period of 3 Years

#### 1. Background

- 1.1 On 18.3.2022, the applicant submitted the current application to seek planning permission for a proposed temporary animal boarding establishment (dog kennel) for a period of 3 years at the subject site (**Plan A-1**).
- 1.2 On 6.5.2022, 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.
- 1.3 On 28.6.2022 and 8.8.2022, the applicant submitted FIs including response-to-comment tables and vehicular access plans to address comments of the Transport Department. The application is scheduled for consideration at this meeting.

### 2. Request for Deferment

On 10.8.2022, the applicant's representative wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to defer making a decision on the application for two months in order to prepare FI to address the comments from Transport Department (**Appendix I**).

## 3. Planning Department's Views

- 3.1 The Planning Department has <u>no objection</u> to the request for the second 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 deferment would allow the applicant to prepare FI to address outstanding issue(s).
- 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 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 4 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. Attachments

Appendix I

Letter dated 10.8.2022 from the applicant's representative

Plan A-1

Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT AUGUST 2022