RNTPC Paper No. A/NE-TKL/754A For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 4.10.2024

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

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

<u>Applicant</u>	:	Anson Technology Limited represented by LCH Planning & Development Consultants Limited
<u>Site</u>	:	Lots 77 S.A (Part), 78 S.B (Part), 82 S.A, 82 S.B, 82 RP and 83 (Part) in D.D. 83 and Adjoining Government Land (GL), Kwan Tei North, Fanling, New Territories
<u>Site Area</u>	:	About 2,730m <sup>2</sup> (including about 570m <sup>2</sup> of GL or about 21% of the Site)
Lease	:	Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)
<u>Plan</u>	:	Approved Ping Che and Ta Kwu Ling Outline Zoning Plan No. S/NE-TKL/14
Zonings	:	<ul> <li>(i) "Agriculture" (about 90.5% of the Site); and</li> <li>(ii) "Open Storage" (about 9.5% of the Site)</li> </ul>
Application	:	Proposed Temporary Workshop and Warehouse and Ancillary Office for a Period of Three Years and Associated Filling of Land

#### 1. <u>Background</u>

- 1.1 On 8.4.2024, the applicant submitted the current application to seek planning permission for proposed temporary workshop and warehouse and ancillary office for a period of three years and associated filling of land at the application site (**Plan A-1**).
- 1.2 On 7.6.2024, 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 for preparation of further information (FI) to address departmental comments.
- 1.3 On 6.8.2024, the applicant submitted FI to address departmental comments. The application is scheduled for consideration by the Committee at this meeting.

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

On 26.9.2024, 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 departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

## 3. <u>Planning Department's Views</u>

- 3.1 The Planning Department <u>has no objection</u> to the request for the second 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, Further Representations and Applications made under the Town Planning Ordinance (TPB PG-No. 33B) in that the deferment would allow the applicant to prepare FI to address outstanding issues.
- 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 FI 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 a total of four 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 to the Committee for consideration at the next meeting.

## 5. <u>Attachments</u>

Appendix I	Letter dated 26.9.2024 from the applicant's representative
Plan A-1	Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT OCTOBER 2024