RNTPC Paper No. A/SK-CWBN/66 For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee On 25.6.2021

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

<u>APPLICATION NO. A/SK-CWBN/66</u> (for 1st Deferment)

| <u>Applicant</u> | : | Ocean Conveyor Limited |
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| <u>Site</u> | : | Government Land in D.D. 238, Little Palm Beach, Clear Water Bay, New Territories |
| <u>Site Area</u> | : | About 836m ² |
| Land Status | : | Government Land |
| <u>Plan</u> | : | Approved Clear Water Bay Peninsula North Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/SK-CWBN/6 |
| Zonings | : | "Conservation Area" ("CA") (About 80%) "Coastal Protection Area" ("CPA") (About 20%) |
| Application | : | Proposed Temporary Educational Field Study Centre for a Period of 3 Years and Associated Excavation of Land |

1. <u>Background</u>

On 28.4.2021, the applicant sought planning permission for proposed temporary educational field study centre for a period of 3 years and excavation of land 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 25.6.2021.

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

On 10.6.2021, the applicant 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 time to prepare Further Information (FI) in response to 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 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. 33) in that the applicant needs more time to address the comments from the relevant government departments, 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 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's consideration. The applicant should be advised that the Committee has allowed two months for preparation of submission of FI, 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 to the Committee for consideration at the next meeting.

5. <u>Attachments</u>

| Appendix I | Letter dated 10.6.2021 from the applicant |
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| Plan A-1 | Location Plan |

PLANNING DEPARTMENT JUNE 2021