

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION
UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

APPLICATION NO. A/SK-CWBN/67
(for 2nd Deferment)

- Applicant:** CLP Power Hong Kong Limited represented by Kum Shing (K.F.) Construction Company Limited
- Site:** Government Land in D.D. 238, Clear Water Bay, Sai Kung, New Territories
- Site Area:** About 23m²
- Land Status:** Government Land
- Plan:** Approved Clear Water Bay North Outline Zoning Plan No. S/SK-CWBN/6
- Zoning:** “Conservation Area”
- Application:** Proposed Public Utility Installation (Pole with Pole Mounted Transformer and Underground Cables) and Excavation of Land

1. Background

- 1.1 On 30.8.2021, the applicant sought planning permission for proposed public utility installation (pole with pole mounted transformer and underground cables) and associated excavation of land at the application sites (the Sites) (**Plan A-1**).
- 1.2 On 29.10.2021, the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) of the Town Planning Board (the Board) agreed to defer a decision on the application for two months, as requested by the applicant, to allow time for preparation of further information (FI) in response to departmental comments and public concerns. No FI has been submitted by the applicant. The application is scheduled for consideration by the Committee at this meeting.

2. Request for Deferment

On 7.1.2022, the applicant's representative wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to further defer making a decision on the application for two months so as to allow more time for preparation of FI in response to departmental comments and for arrangement of a meeting with the local villagers and objectors to address the public concerns and seek consent on the proposed installation (**Appendix I**). Efforts have been made to liaise with the local villages and objectors to seek consent on the proposed installation, and site visit was conducted to address departmental comments.

3. Planning Department's Views

- 3.1 The Planning Department has no objection 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 applicant has taken reasonable actions and needs more time to address departmental comments and public concerns, 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 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 for the Committee's consideration at the next meeting.

5. Attachments

Appendix I
Plan A-1

Email of 7.1.2022 from the applicant's representative
Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT
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