RNTPC Paper No. A/SK-HC/326 For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee On 14.5.2021

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

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(for 1st Deferment)

Applicant : Bestime Enterprises Limited represented by Prudential Surveyors (Hong

Kong) Limited

Site : Various Lots in D.D. 210 and 244 and Adjoining Government Land, Ho

Chung, Sai Kung

: About 2.806m² Site Area

: (a) Private Land (about 2,347m² or 84%) Lease

Old Schedule Agricultural Lot held under Block Government

Lease

(b) Government Land (about 459m² or 16%)

: Approved Ho Chung Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/SK-HC/11 Plan

Zoning : "Residential (Group E)" ("R(E)")

> restricted to a maximum plot ratio (PR) of 0.4, a maximum building height (BH) of 9m with 2 storeys over 1 storey of carport;

"Residential (Group D)" ("R(D)")

restricted to a maximum PR of 0.2, a maximum site coverage (SC)

of 20% and a maximum building height of 2 storeys (6m); and

area shown as 'Road'

: Proposed Houses with Minor Relaxation of PR Restriction Application

1. **Background**

On 22.3.2021, the applicant sought planning permission for the proposed houses and minor relaxation of PR restriction at the application site (Plan A-1). The application is scheduled for consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) on 14.5.2021.

2. **Request for Deferment**

On 5.5.2021, the applicant's representative wrote to the Secretary of the Town Planning Board (the Board) and requested the Board to defer making a decision on the application for two months so as to allow sufficient time for preparation of Further Information (FI) to address the 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 relevant government department, 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 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. Attachments

Appendix I Letter of 5.5.2021 from the applicant's representative

Plan A-1 Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT MAY 2021