

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION
UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

APPLICATION NO. A/TP/702

(for 1st Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u>	: Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council Limited represented by Masterplan Limited
<u>Site</u>	: Taxlot Lot T77 RP in D.D. 34, Tai Po, New Territories
<u>Site Area</u>	: About 2191.3m ²
<u>Lease</u>	: Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)
<u>Plan</u>	: Approved Tai Po Outline Zoning Plan No. S/TP/30
<u>Zoning</u>	: “Government, Institution or Community” (“G/IC”) [Restricted to maximum building height (BH) of 8 storeys]
<u>Application</u>	: Proposed Minor Relaxation of Building Height Restriction for Permitted Social Welfare Facility

1. Background

On 20.12.2024, the applicant submitted the current application to seek planning permission for proposed minor relaxation of BH restriction for permitted social welfare facility 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) at this meeting.

2. Request for Deferment

On 6.2.2025, 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 further information (FI) to address departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

3. Planning Department’s Views

3.1 The Planning Department has no objection to the request for the first 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 two months for preparation of the submission of FI, and no further deferment would be granted unless under very special circumstances.

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. Attachments

Appendix I	Email dated 6.2.2025 from the Applicant's Representative
Plan A-1	Location Plan

**PLANNING DEPARTMENT
FEBRUARY 2025**