RNTPC Paper No. A/YL-LFS/540 For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 10.1.2025

# APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

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(for 1st Deferment)

**Applicants**: Mr. So Shu Yuen and Ms. Tang Lai Ha

Site : Lot 1236 S.B in D.D. 129, Lau Fau Shan, Yuen Long, New Territories

Site Area : About 3,800m<sup>2</sup>

<u>Lease</u>: Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)

Plan : Approved Lau Fau Shan and Tsim Bei Tsui Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No.

S/YL-LFS/11

**Zoning** : "Green Belt" ("GB")

**Application**: Filling and Excavation of Land for Permitted Agricultural Use

### 1. Background

On 11.11.2024, the applicant sought planning permission for filling and excavation of land for permitted agricultural use at the application site (the 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 11.12.2024, 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 allow time for preparation of further information (FI) to address departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

### 3. Planning Department's Views

- 3.1. The Planning Department has <u>no objection</u> 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, Comments, 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 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 a period of 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** Email dated 11.12.2024 from the applicant's representative

Plan A-1 Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT JANUARY 2025