RNTPC Paper No. A/YL-MP/337A For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 25.8.2023

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

<u>APPLICATION NO. A/YL-MP/337</u> (for 2nd Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u>	: King Lucky Development Limited represented by Ching Wan Engineering Consultants Company
<u>Site</u>	: Lots 3235 S.B and 3235 RP (Part) in D.D. 104 and Adjoining Government Land (GL), Chuk Yuen Tsuen, Yuen Long
<u>Site Area</u>	: $373m^2$ (including about $65m^2$ of GL (about 17.4%))
Lease	: Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)
<u>Plan</u>	: Approved Mai Po & Fairview Park Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/YL-MP/6
<u>Zoning</u>	: "Village Type Development" ("V") (about 98% of the Site) and "Residential Group (D)" ("R(D)") (about 2% of the Site)
Application	: Proposed Utility Installation for Private Project (Electricity Transformer Room) and Excavation of Land

1. <u>Background</u>

- 1.1 On 6.3.2023, the applicant submitted the current application to seek planning permission for proposed utility installation for private project (electricity transformer room) and excavation of land at the application site (**Plan A-1**).
- 1.2 On 5.5.2023, the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) of the Town Planning Board (the Board) agreed to defer a decision on the application, as requested by the applicant, for two months to allow time for the applicant to prepare further information to address departmental comments.
- 1.3 On 4.7.2023 and 17.8.2023, the applicant submitted further information to address departmental comments. The application is scheduled for consideration by the Committee at this meeting.

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

On 22.8.2023, the applicant's representative wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to defer making a decision on the application for one month so as to allow time for preparation of further information to address departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

3. <u>Planning Department's Views</u>

- 3.1 The Planning Department has <u>no objection</u> to the request for the second 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. 33A) in that the deferment would allow the applicant to prepare further information to address outstanding issue(s).
- 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 further submission from the applicant. If the further information 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 three months for preparation of submission of further information as requested by the applicant. 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. <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 for the Committee's consideration at the next meeting.

5. <u>Attachments</u>

Appendix IEmail dated 22.8.2023 from the Applicant's representativePlan A-1Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT AUGUST 2023