

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION
UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

APPLICATION NO. A/YL-PH/891
(for 1st Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u>	:	R-riches Property Consultants Limited
<u>Site</u>	:	Lot 1697 RP in D.D. 111 and Adjoining Government Land, Pat Heung, Yuen Long, New Territories
<u>Site Area</u>	:	About 1,860 m ² (including Government Land of about 183m ² (about 9.8%))
<u>Lease</u>	:	Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)
<u>Plan</u>	:	Approved Pat Heung Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/YL-PH/11
<u>Zoning</u>	:	“Agriculture” (“AGR”)
<u>Application</u>	:	Proposed Temporary Open Storage of Construction Material and Machinery for a Period of 3 Years and Filling of Land

1. Background

On 17.8.2021, the applicant submitted the subject application to seek planning permission to use the application site (the Site) for proposed temporary open storage of construction materials and machinery for a period of 3 years and filling of land (**Plan A-1**). The application is scheduled for consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) on 15.10.2021.

2. Request for Deferment

On 28.9.2021, the applicant 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 time for preparation of further information to address departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

3. Planning Department's Views

- 3.1 The Planning Department has no objection 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. 33A¹) in that the applicant needs more time to prepare further information in response to departmental comments, 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 further submission from the applicant. If the further information 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 further information as requested by the applicant, 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	Letter dated 28.9.2021 from the applicant
Plan A-1	Location plan

**PLANNING DEPARTMENT
OCTOBER 2021**

¹ The number of deferments to be granted stipulated under TPB PG-No.33A is not application to this application which was received before the promulgation of the revised guidelines on 24.8.2021