RNTPC Paper No. A/YL-SK/360A For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 21.6.2024

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

<u>APPLICATION NO. A/YL-SK/360</u> (for 2nd Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u>	:	Vector Scaffolding Limited represented by R-riches Property Consultants Limited
<u>Site</u>	:	Lot 1080 (Part) in D.D.106, Kam Tin, Yuen Long, New Territories
<u>Site Area</u>	:	About 4,056m ²
Lease	:	Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)
<u>Plan</u>	:	Approved Shek Kong Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/YL-SK/9
Zoning	:	"Agriculture" ("AGR")
<u>Application</u>	:	Temporary Open Storage of Construction Materials for a Period of 3 Years and Associated Filling of Land

1 Background

- 1.1 On 12.1.2024, the applicant submitted the application to seek planning permission for temporary open storage of construction materials for a period of 3 years and associated filling of land at the application site (**Plan A-1**).
- 1.2 On 1.3.2024, the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) of the Town Planning Board (the Board) agreed to defer making a decision on the application for two months, as requested by the applicant, to allow time to prepare further information (FI) to address departmental comments.
- 1.3 On 24.4.2024, the applicant's representative submitted FI to clarify the current use and access for the existing structure. The application is scheduled for consideration by the Committee at this meeting.

2 <u>Request for Deferment</u>

On 7.6.2024, the applicant's representative wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to further defer making a decision on the application for two months so as to allow time for preparation of FI in response to 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 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. 33B) in that the deferment would allow the applicant to prepare FI to address outstanding issues.
- 3.2 Should the Committee agree to defer making 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 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 a total of four months for preparation of submission of FI. 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 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 <u>Attachments</u>

Appendix ILetter from the Applicant's Representative dated 7.6.2024Plan A-1Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT JUNE 2024