RNTPC Paper No. <u>A/YL-TT/535A</u>
For Consideration by
the Rural and New Town
Planning Committee
on 22.4.2022

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

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(for 2nd Deferment)

Applicant : Pro Tree Foundation Limited

Site : Government Land (GL) in D.D. 116 (Former Wing On School), Tai Shu Ha

Road West, Tai Tong, New Territories

Site Area : 3,550 m² (about)

Land Status: GL

Plan : Approved Tai Tong Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/YL-TT/18

Zoning : "Village Type Development" ("V")

[Restricted to a maximum building height of 3 storeys (8.23m)]

Application: Proposed Temporary Place of Recreation, Sports or Culture (Training and

Community Event Centre) for a Period of 3 Years

1. Background

- 1.1 On 6.12.2021, the applicant sought planning permission for proposed temporary place of recreation, sports or culture (training and community event centre) for a period of 3 years at the application site (the Site) (**Plan A-1**).
- 1.2 On 28.1.2022, 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 for preparation of further information (FI) in response to departmental comments. The application is scheduled for consideration by the Committee at this meeting.

2. Request for Deferment

On 28.3.2022, the applicant wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to further defer making a decision on the application for two months in order to allow time to address departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

3. Planning Department's Views

- 3.1 The Planning Department <u>has 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. 33A) in that the applicant needs more time to address departmental comments due to the delay caused by the epidemic situation.
- 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 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 for the Committee's consideration at the next meeting.

5. Attachments

Appendix I Email dated 28.3.2022 from the applicant

Plan A-1 Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT APRIL 2022