RNTPC Paper No. <u>A/YL-TT/607A</u>
For Consideration by
the Rural and New Town
Planning Committee
on 12.1.2024

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

APPLICATION NO. A/YL-TT/607

(for 2nd Deferment)

Applicant: Happy Farm HK Limited represented by R-Riches Property Consultants

Limited

<u>Site</u>: Various Lots in D.D. 117 and Adjoining Government Land (GL), Tai Tong,

Yuen Long, New Territories

Site Area : 10,072 m² (about) (including about 70 m² of GL (about 0.7%))

Lease : Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)

<u>Plan</u>: Approved Tai Tong Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/YL-TT/20 (currently

in force)

Draft Tai Tong OZP No. S/YL-TT/19 (at the time of submission)

[No change to the zoning of the application site on the OZP]

Zoning : "Agriculture" ("AGR") (about 98.1%); and

"Open Storage" ("OS") (about 1.9%)

Application: Proposed Temporary Place of Recreation, Sports or Culture (Barbecue Site

and Children Playground) and Shop and Services for a Period of 3 Years and

Associated Filling of Land

1. Background

- 1.1 On 14.8.2023, the applicant sought planning permission for proposed temporary place of recreation, sports or culture (barbecue site and children playground), shop and services for a period of three years and associated filling of land at the application site (**Plan A-1**).
- 1.2 On 13.10.2023, 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 23.11.2023, 22.12.2023 and 4.1.2024, the applicant submitted FIs to address department comments.

2. Request for Deferment

On 9.1.2024, 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 FI to address departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

3. Planning Department's Views

- 3.1 The Planning Department has no objection to the request for the second deferment as the justification for deferment meets the criteria 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 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 could be processed within a shorter time, the applicant 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 four months for preparation of the 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. Attachments

Appendix I Letter dated 9.1.2024 from the applicant's representative **Plan A-1** Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT JANUARY 2024