RNTPC Paper No. <u>A/YL-TT/685</u> For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 24.1.2025

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

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(for 1st Deferment)

Applicant : Kwan Ti Culture Charity Foundation Limited (KTCCF) (弘揚關帝慈善基金

會有限公司) represented by Toco Planning Consultants Limited

Site : Lots 1475 (Part), 1591 (Part), 1594 (Part), 1595 (Part), 1600 S.A (Part), 1600

S.B (Part), 1602 (Part), 1622, 1624, 1629, 1630 S.A (Part), 1630 S.B, 1630 S.C, 1630 S.D, 1631, 1632, 1633, 1634, 1635 and 1636 (Part) in D.D. 117 and adjoining Government Land (GL), Tai Tong, Yuen Long, New Territories

Site Area : 31,068 m² (about) (including GL of about 22,416 m²) (about 72%)

Lease : Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)

Plan : Approved Tai Tong Outline Zoning Plan No. S/YL-TT/20

Zoning : "Recreation" (about 16,731.3 m²) (53.9%);

"Green Belt" (about 14,167.6 m²) (45.6%); and

"Open Storage" (about 169.1 m²⁾ (0.5%)¹

Application: Proposed Religious Institution (Supreme Kwan Ti Temple) with Ancillary

Facilities and Associated Excavation and Filling of Land

1. Background

On 6.12.2024, the applicant sought planning permission for proposed religious institution (Supreme Kwan Ti Temple) with ancillary facilities and associated excavation and filling of land at the application site (**Plan A-1**). The application is scheduled for consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) of the Town Planning Board (the Board) at this meeting.

2. Request for Deferment

On 10.1.2025, 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 further information (FI) to address departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

¹ The slight encroachment onto the "open storage" zone could be considered as minor boundary adjustment.

3. Planning Department's Views

- 3.1 The Planning Department <u>has no objection</u> to the request for the first deferment as the justification for deferment meets the criteria as set out in the Town Planning Board Guidelines on Deferment of Decision on Representations, 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 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 application 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 two months for preparation of the submission of FI, 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 ILetter dated 10.1.2025 from the applicant's representative **Plan A-1**Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT JANUARY 2025