RNTPC Paper No. <u>A/YL-TT/643A</u>
For Consideration by
the Rural and New Town
Planning Committee
on 16.8.2024

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

APPLICATION NO. A/YL-TT/643

(for 2nd Deferment)

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

Limited

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

Yuen Long

Site Area : 17,660 m² (about) (including GL of about 92 m²)

Lease : Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)

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

Zoning : "Agriculture" (about 17,460 m², 99%); and

"Open Storage" (about 200 m², 1%)¹

Application: Proposed Temporary Place for Recreation, Sports or Culture (Hobby Farm),

Barbecue Site, Shop and Services with Ancillary Facilities for a Period of 3

Years and Associated Filling of Land

1. Background

- 1.1 On 2.4.2024, the applicant sought planning permission for proposed temporary place for recreation, sports or culture, hobby farm, barbecue site, shop and services with ancillary facilities for a period of three years and associated filling of land at the application site (**Plan A-1**).
- 1.2 On 24.5.2024, 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 more time to prepare further information (FI) to address departmental comments. On 22.7.2024, the applicant submitted FI to address departmental comments. The application is scheduled for consideration by the Committee at this meeting.

¹ Regarded as minor boundary adjustment allowed under the covering Notes of the OZP.

2. Request for Deferment

On 12.8.2024, 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 <u>has no objection</u> 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, 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 total 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. <u>Decision Sought</u>

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 12.8.2024 from the applicant's representative **Plan A-1**Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT AUGUST 2024