RNTPC Paper No. Y/YL-LFS/14 For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 5.5.2023

## <u>APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT OF PLAN</u> <u>UNDER SECTION 12A OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE</u>

# APPLICATION NO. Y/YL-LFS/14 (for 1<sup>st</sup> Deferment)

: Onfill Company Limited represented by Ove Arup & Partners Hong Kong Applicant Limited Site Lots 3 S.A ss.1, 3 S.B, 4, 5 S.A RP, 9, 10 RP, 12 S.A, 12 RP, 13, 14 S.A ss.1 S.A, 14 S.A ss.1 RP, 14 S.A ss.2, 14 S.A RP, 14 S.B ss.1 S.A, 14 S.B ss.1 RP, 14 S.B RP, 14 RP, 15 S.A ss.1, 15 S.A RP, 15 S.B, 15 RP, 16 S.A, 16 S.B, 16 RP, 17 S.A ss.1, 17 S.A RP, 17 S.B, 17 S.C and 17 RP in D.D. 128, Lots 2128, 2129, 2136 RP, 2138 RP, 2148, 2153 S.A and 2388 S.A ss.2 (Part) in D.D. 129, and adjoining Government Land (GL), Lau Fau Shan, Yuen Long, New Territories About  $20,455\text{m}^2$  (including GL of about  $4,594\text{m}^2$  or 22.5%) Site Area : (a) New Grant Lot held under Tai Po New Grant No. 4855 for Lots16 S.A, Lease : 16 S.B, 16 RP, 17 S.A ss.1, 17 S.A RP, 17 S.B, 17 S.C and 17 RP in D.D.128 (demised for agricultural use) (b) Block Government Lease for remaining lots (demised for agricultural use) Plan : Draft Lau Fau Shan and Tsim Bei Tsui Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/YL-LFS/10 (at the time of submission) Approved Lau Fau Shan and Tsim Bei Tsui OZP No. S/YL-LFS/11 (currently in force) Zonings "Residential (Group C)" ("R(C)") (about 51.7%) : (i)

**<u>Zonings</u>** : (1) "Residential (Group C)" ("R(C)") (about 51.7%) [restricted to a maximum plot ratio (PR) of 0.4 and a maximum building height (BH) of 3 storeys (9m)]

> (ii) "Residential (Group D)" ("R(D)") (about 48.3%) [restricted to a maximum PR of 0.2 and a maximum BH of 2 storey (6m)]

(no change to the zonings and restrictions under the current OZP)

Proposed: To rezone the application site from "R(C)" and "R(D)" to "Residential<br/>(Group B)" ("R(B)")<br/>[proposed to restricted to a maximum domestic PR of 3, a non-domestic gross floor area<br/>(GFA) of not less than 1,166m² for a 100-place child care centre, and a maximum BH of<br/>90mPD]

#### 1. Background

On 1.3.2022, the applicant submitted a s.12A planning application to rezone the application site (the Site) (**Plan Z-1**) from "R(C)" and "R(D)" to "R(B)" to facilitate a proposed residential development with social welfare facility (child care centre), with a maximum domestic plot ratio of 3, a non-domestic GFA of not less than  $1,166m^2$  and a maximum building height of 25 storeys (or 90mPD) excluding 2 storeys of basements. The application is scheduled for consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) at this meeting.

## 2. <u>Request for Deferment</u>

On 2.5.2023, the applicant's representative wrote to the Secretary of the Town Planning Board (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**).

#### 3. <u>Planning Department's Views</u>

- 3.1 The Planning Department has <u>no objection</u> to the request for the first deferment as the justification for deferment meets 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 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 three months upon receipt of FI from the applicant. If the FI submitted by the applicant is not substantial and can 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 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 I	Letter of 2.5.2023 from the applicant's representative
Plan Z-1	Location Plan

### PLANNING DEPARTMENT MAY 2023