

TOWN PLANNING BOARD

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**For Consideration by
the Town Planning Board on 27.5.2022**

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1. Introduction

The purpose of this paper is to seek Members' agreement to apply to the Chief Executive (CE), under section 8(2) of the Town Planning Ordinance (the Ordinance), for an extension of the time limit for submission of the draft Sham Wat and San Shek Wan Outline Zoning Plan No. S/I-SW/1 (the draft OZP) to the Chief Executive in Council (CE in C) for approval. The time limit for submission of the draft OZP is required to be extended for a period of six months from 27.7.2022 to 27.1.2023.

2. Background

- 2.1 On 27.8.2021, the draft OZP (**Annex I**) was exhibited for public inspection under section 5 of the Ordinance. The general planning intention for the Sham Wat and San Shek Wan area is to conserve its landscape and ecological values in safeguarding the natural habitat and rural character of the Area, to preserve historical artifacts, local culture and traditions of the villages and to make provision for future Small House development for the indigenous villages of Sham Wat and Shan Shek Wan.
- 2.2 During the two-month exhibition period, 17 representations were received. On 3.12.2021, the representations were published for public comment. Upon expiry of the three-week public inspection period, four comments on the representations were received.
- 2.3 According to the statutory time limit, the draft OZP shall be submitted to the CE in C for approval on or before 27.7.2022.

3. Need for Extension of the Statutory 9-month Time Limit

Consideration of the representations and comments by the full Board under section 6B of the Ordinance was originally scheduled for April 2022. In view of the epidemic situation and the number of representers/commenters registered for attending the hearing, the hearing of the representations and comments had to be rescheduled, and can now only be scheduled for June 2022 at the earliest. It is anticipated that there will be insufficient time to complete the plan-making process and submit the draft OZP to the CE in C for approval within the 9-month statutory time limit (i.e. on or before 27.7.2022). Hence, it is

necessary to seek CE's agreement for an extension of the statutory time limit for six months to allow sufficient time to complete the said plan-making process of the draft OZP.

4. Decision Sought

Members are invited to agree that the CE's agreement should be sought under section 8(2) of the Ordinance to extend the time limit for submission of the draft OZP to the CE in C for approval for a period of six months from 27.7.2022 to 27.1.2023.

5. Attachments

Annex I Draft Sham Wat and San Shek Wan OZP No. S/I-SW/1 (reduced size)

**PLANNING DEPARTMENT
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