

**APPLICATION TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE
UNDER SECTION 8(2) OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME LIMIT FOR SUBMISSION OF THE
DRAFT PING SHAN OUTLINE ZONING PLAN NO. S/YL-PS/19
TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE IN COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL**

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 time limit for submission of the draft Ping Shan Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/YL-PS/19 to the Chief Executive in Council (CE in C) for approval. The time limit for submission of the draft Ping Shan OZP No. S/YL-PS/19 is required to be extended for a period of six months from 7.4.2022 to 7.10.2022.

2. Background

- 2.1 On 7.5.2021, the draft Ping Shan OZP No. S/YL-PS/19 (**Annex I**) was exhibited for public inspection under section 5 of the Ordinance. The Schedule of Amendments is at **Annex II**. The amendments mainly involve rezoning of a site to the west of Fuk Hi Street in Wang Chau from "Green Belt" and "Open Storage" to "Residential (Group A)5" ("R(A)5"), a site to the east of Tin Tsz Road in Ping Shan north from "Recreation" ("REC") to "Residential (Group A)6" and a site to the north of Ha Mei San Tsuen from "REC" to "Government, Institution or Community" for two public housing developments and associated infrastructural works. Amendments were also made to the Notes of the OZP of the concerned zones and to update the general information for various land use zones to reflect the latest status and planning circumstances of the OZP.
- 2.2 During the two-month exhibition period, a total of 62 valid representations were received. On 23.7.2021, the representations were published for public comments. Upon expiry of the three-week publication period, a total of 4 valid comments on the representations were received.
- 2.3 According to the statutory time limit, the draft Ping Shan OZP No. S/YL-PS/19 shall be submitted to the CE in C for approval on or before 7.4.2022.

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 21.1.2022 and was subsequently rescheduled for 11.2.2022 in view of the novel coronavirus epidemic. Due to the latest position related to the epidemic, the hearing of the representations and

comments has to be further rescheduled until further notice. It is anticipated that there will be insufficient time for the whole plan-making process including submission of the draft OZP to the CE in C for approval to be completed within the 9-month statutory time limit (i.e. on or before 7.4.2022). 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 plan-making process of the draft OZP prior to its submission to the CE in C for approval.

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 Ping Shan OZP No. S/YL-PS/19 to the CE in C for approval for a period of six months from 7.4.2022 to 7.10.2022.

5. Attachments

Annex I	Draft Ping Shan OZP No. S/YL-PS/19 (reduced size)
Annex II	Schedule of Amendments to the Draft Ping Shan OZP No. S/YL-PS/19

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