

MPC Paper No. A/K18/327
For Consideration by
the Metro Planning Committee
on 3.8.2018

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION
UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

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(for 1st deferment)

Applicant : Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Site : Kowloon Tsai Park (Portion), 13 Inverness Road, Kowloon Tong, Kowloon

Site Area : About 13,320m²

Land Status : Government Land

Plan : Approved Kowloon Tong Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/K18/21

Zoning : “Open Space” (“O”)

Application : Proposed Place of Recreation, Sports or Culture (Swimming Pool Complex Redevelopment)

1. Background

On 5.6.2018, the applicant submitted an application to seek planning permission for proposed redevelopment of the existing Kowloon Tsai Swimming Pool at the application site (the Site) (**Plan A-1**). The application is scheduled for consideration by the Metro Planning Committee (the Committee) on 3.8.2018.

2. Request for Deferment

On 16.7.2018, the applicant 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 to allow adequate time for the preparation of further information in response to departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

3. Planning Department’s Views

3.1 The Planning Department has no objection to the request for 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. 33) in that the applicant needs more time to address departmental comments, the deferment period is not indefinite and the deferment would not affect the interest of other relevant parties.

- 3.2 Should the Committee agree to defer making a decision on the application, the application will be submitted to the Committee for consideration within two months upon receipt of further information from the applicant. If the further information 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 two months for preparation of submission of further information, 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 from the applicant dated 16.7.2018
Plan A-1	Location Plan

**PLANNING DEPARTMENT
AUGUST 2018**