

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION
UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

APPLICATION NO. A/K4/71
(for 1st Deferment)

- Applicant** : The Hong Kong Polytechnic University represented by Kenneth To & Associates Limited
- Site** : Tat Hong Avenue, Shek Kip Mei, Kowloon
- Site Area** : About 12,280m²
- Land Status** : Government Land
- Plan** : Approved Shek Kip Mei Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/K4/29
- Zoning** : “Government, Institution or Community (7)”
(a) maximum building height (BH) of 112 metres above Principal Datum (mPD), or the BH of the existing building, whichever is the greater
(b) minor relaxation of the BH restriction may be considered by the Town Planning Board (the Board) on application based on individual merits of a development or redevelopment proposal
- Application** : Proposed Residential Institution (Student Hostels) with Minor Relaxation of BH Restriction

1. Background

On 29.4.2020, the application for proposed residential institution (student hostels) with minor relaxation of BH restriction from 112mPD to 136mPD (i.e. +24m or +21.4%) at the application site was received by the Board (**Plan A-1**). The application is scheduled for consideration by the Metro Planning Committee (the Committee) of the Board at this meeting.

2. Request for Deferment

On 8.6.2020, the applicant’s representative wrote to the Secretary of the Board requesting the Board to defer making a decision on the application for a period of two months so as to allow more time for preparation of further information to address 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 prepare further information to address departmental comments, the deferment period is not indefinite and the deferment would not affect the interests 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 submission from the applicant. If the further information 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 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 dated 8.6.2020 from the applicant's representative
Plan A-1	Location Plan

**PLANNING DEPARTMENT
JUNE 2020**