RNTPC Paper No. A/NE-HT/16 For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning <u>Committee on 20.11.2020</u>

<u>APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION</u> <u>UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE</u>

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(for 1st Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u>	: Ms. FUNG Chiu Han represented by R-riches Property Consultants Limited
<u>Site</u>	: Lots 1091 RP, 1134 S.A, 1134 RP in D.D. 76, Hok Tau, Fanling, New Territories
<u>Site Area</u>	: About 3,371 m^2
Lease	: Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)
<u>Plan</u>	: Approved Hok Tau Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/NE-HT/5
Zoning	: "Agriculture" ("AGR")
<u>Application</u>	: Proposed Temporary Place of Recreation, Sports or Culture (Hobby Farm, Barbecue Spot, Play Area, Handicraft Making and Refreshment Kiosk) for a Period of 3 Years

1. Background

The applicant seeks planning permission for a proposed temporary place of recreation, sports or culture (hobby farm, barbecue spot, play area, handicraft making and refreshment kiosk) for a period of three years at the application site (**Plan A-1**). The application is scheduled for consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) of the Town Planning Board (the Board) on 20.11.2020.

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

On 9.11.2020, the applicant's representative wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to defer the consideration of the application for two months in order to allow time to prepare further information (FI) to address the comments of Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department and Transport Department (**Appendix I**).

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

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 FI to address the 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 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 further two months for preparation of FI submission, and no further deferment would be granted unless under very special circumstances.

4. <u>Decision Sought</u>

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 Plan A-1 Letter received on 9.11.2020 from the applicant's representative Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT NOVEMBER 2020