

RNTPC Paper No. A/YL-ST/570  
For Consideration by  
the Rural and New Town  
Planning Committee  
on 26.6.2020

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**APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION**  
**UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE**

**APPLICATION NO. A/YL-ST/570**  
*(for 1<sup>st</sup> Deferment)*

<b><u>Applicant</u></b>	: 古立平先生
<b><u>Site</u></b>	: Lot 353 in D.D. 99, San Tin, Yuen Long, New Territories
<b><u>Site Area</u></b>	: About 1,149.9 m <sup>2</sup>
<b><u>Lease</u></b>	: Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)
<b><u>Plan</u></b>	: Approved San Tin Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/YL-ST/8
<b><u>Zoning</u></b>	: “Green Belt”
<b><u>Application</u></b>	: Proposed Public Utility Installation (Solar Energy System)

**1. Background**

- 1.1 On 23.3.2020, the applicant sought planning permission to use the application site (the Site) for proposed public utility installation (solar energy system) (**Plan A-1**). According to the applicant, the proposed system involves 540 solar panels (each 2m long x 1m wide and 0.4m high) installed on a stand (40m long x 29m wide and 3m high in scaffolding style). The proposed solar energy system is to facilitate participation in CLP Power Hong Kong Limited (CLP)’s ‘Renewable Energy Feed-in Tariff (FiT) Scheme’ and the generated electricity from the solar energy system will be sold to CLP on a commercial basis.
- 1.2 On 28.4.2020, the applicant submitted further information including responses to departmental comments with a visual impact assessment and a drainage proposal. The application is scheduled for consideration by the Committee on 26.6.2020.
- 1.3 On 29.11.2019, the Committee decided to defer decisions on three similar applications (No. A/NE-KLH/578, A/YL-KTS/832 and A/TM-SKW/105) for proposed public utility installation (solar energy system/panels) in “Agriculture”, “Village Type Development” and “Green Belt” zones of different OZPs

respectively, pending the formulation of assessment criteria to facilitate consideration of applications for solar energy system.

**2. Planning Department's Views**

- 2.1 In view of the decision by the Committee as stated in paragraph 1.3 above, it is considered appropriate to defer consideration of the subject application until the assessment criteria on applications for solar energy system are endorsed for use.
- 2.2 Should the Committee decide to defer consideration of the application, the application will be submitted to the Committee for consideration after the formulation of assessment criteria on applications for solar energy system.
- 2.3 Alternatively, should the Committee decide not to defer consideration of the application, the application will be submitted to the Committee for consideration at the next meeting.

**3. Decision Sought**

The Committee is invited to consider whether or not to defer a decision on the application as requested by Planning Department.

**4. Attachment**

**Plan A-1**                      Location Plan

**PLANNING DEPARTMENT  
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