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

## APPLICATION NO. A/YL-PH/829 (2<sup>nd</sup> Deferment)

<u>Applicants</u>: Harvest Well Technology Limited and Fan Chor Ho represented by

Lawson David and Sung Surveyors Limited

<u>Site</u>: Lots 101 S.F RP, 101 S.G, 101 S.H, 101 S.I and 101 S.J in D.D. 111,

Fan Kam Road, Pat Heung, Yuen Long

Site Area : About 2,912.8m<sup>2</sup>

<u>Lease</u>: Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)

<u>Plan</u>: Approved Pat Heung Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/YL-PH/11

**Zoning** : "Residential (Group D)" ("R(D)")

[Restricted to a maximum plot ratio of 0.2 and a maximum building

height of 2 storeys (6m)]

**Application** : Proposed Houses and Filling and Excavation of Land

#### 1. Background

- 1.1 On 11.12.2019, the applicants submitted the subject application to seek planning permission for the development of proposed houses and filling and excavation of land at the application Site (the Site) (**Plan A-1**).
- 1.2 On 20.3.2020, the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) agreed to defer a decision on the application, as requested by the applicants, to allow two months' time for the applicants to prepare further information to address departmental comments. On 6.5.2020, the applicants submitted further information to address departmental comments. The application is scheduled for consideration by the Committee on 26.6.2020.

#### 2. Request for Deferment

On 19.6.2020, the applicants' representative wrote to the Secretary of the Town Planning Board (the Board) and requested the Board to defer making a decision on the application so as to allow two months' time for preparation of further information to address comments from the Transport Department (**Appendix I**).

#### 3. Planning Department's Views

- 3.1 The application has been deferred once for two months at the request of the applicants to allow more time to address the departmental comments. Since the first deferment on 20.3.2020, the applicants have submitted further information on 6.5.2020 to address departmental comments. The applicants explain that they need more time to address further comments from the Transport Department.
- 3.2 The Planning Department <u>has no objection</u> to the request for deferment as the justifications for deferment meet 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 applicants need more time to prepare further information in response to departmental comments, the deferment period is not indefinite and the deferment would not affect the interests of other relevant parties.
- 3.3 Should the Committee agree to defer 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 applicants. If the further information submitted by the applicants is not substantial and can be processed within a shorter time, the application could be submitted to an earlier meeting for Committee's consideration. Since it is the second deferment of the application, the applicants should be advised that the Committee has allowed a total of four months for preparation of submission of further information as requested by the applicants, 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 applicants' request for deferment. If the request is not acceded to, the application will be submitted for the Committee's consideration at the next meeting.

### 5. Attachments

**Appendix I** Letter dated 19.6.2020 from the applicants' representative

requesting for deferment

Plan A-1 Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT JUNE 2020