RNTPC Paper No. A/SK-HC/302 For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 22.2.2019

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

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(for 1st Deferment)

Applicant: Drainage Services Department (DSD), the Government of the HKSAR

Site: Government Land in D.D. 214 and D.D. 244, Ho Chung, Sai Kung, New

Territories

Site Area: About 1,080m² (Site 1)

About 760 m² (Site 2)

Land Status: Government Land

Plan: Approved Ho Chung Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/SK-HC/11

Zonings: Area shown as 'Road' (Site 1)

"Green Belt" ("GB") (about 96%) and area shown as 'Road' (about 4%)

(Site 2)

Application: Proposed Public Utility Installation (Sewage Treatment Plant and

Underground Sewers) with Reprovisioning of Public Vehicle Park (excluding

Container Vehicle)

1. Background

On 4.1.2019, the applicant seeks planning permission for proposed public utility installation (sewage treatment plant and underground sewers) at Site 1 with the proposed reprovisioning of public vehicle park (excluding container vehicle) at Site 2 (**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 22.2.2019.

2. Request for Deferment

On 30.1.2019, the applicant wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to defer making a decision on the application for one month so as to allow time for further consultation with the Transport Department (TD) regarding public comment received on the application (**Appendix I**).

3. Planning Department's Views

- 3.1 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 applicant needs more time to consult TD regarding public comment received on the application, 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 a decision on the application, the application will be submitted to the Committee for consideration within two months upon receipt of Further Information (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 one month for preparation of submission of FI, 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 30.1.2019 from the applicant

Plan A-1 Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT FEBRUARY 2019