RNTPC Paper No. A/NE-KLH/583 For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 6.3.2020

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

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(for 1st Deferment)

Applicant : Mr. WAI Tze Pong represented by Spence Robinson Limited

Site : Lots 643B S.A RP, 643B S.B, 643B RP, 644 S.A, 644 S.B and 644 RP in D.D.

9, Yuen Leng Village, Tai Po, New Territories

Site Area : 1,220.4 m² (About)

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

<u>Plan</u>: Approved Kau Lung Hang Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/NE-KLH/11

Zoning : "Agriculture" ("AGR")

Application: Proposed Five Houses (New Territories Exempted Houses) (NTEHs)

1. Background

The applicant seeks planning permission for proposed five houses (New Territories Exempted Houses) at the application site (the 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 6.3.2020.

2. Request for Deferment

On 19.2.2020, the applicant's representative wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to defer making a decision on the application for two months in order to allow time to prepare further information (FI) to address the departmental and public comments (**Appendix I**).

3. Planning Department's Views

3.1 The Planning Department has no objection to the request for deferment as the justifications 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 address the public and 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 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 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 a period of two months for preparation of submission of FI, 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 for the Committee's consideration at the next meeting.

5. Attachments

Appendix I Letter dated 19.2.2020 from the applicant's representative

Plan A-1 Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT MARCH 2020