

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION
UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

APPLICATION NO. A/NE- KLH/567
(for 2nd Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u>	Mr. MAN Nim Chi represented by Dickman L. T. Chan & Co., Solicitors
<u>Site</u>	Lot 9 S.A RP in D.D. 7, Sha Li Yuen, Chung Sum Wai, Tai Hang, Tai Po, New Territories
<u>Site Area</u>	About 91.1 m ²
<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
<u>Zoning</u>	“Agriculture” (“AGR”) “Village Type Development” (“V”)
<u>Application</u>	Proposed House (New Territories Exempted House (NTEH) – Small House)

1. Background

- 1.1 On 11.4.2019, the applicant sought planning permission for the development of an NTEH (Small House) at the application site (the Site) (**Plan A-1**).
- 1.2 On 31.5.2019, the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) of the Town Planning Board (the Board) agreed to defer a decision on the application for two months, as requested by the applicant, to allow time for preparation of further information in response to departmental comments. The application is scheduled for the consideration by the Committee on 16.8.2019.

2. Request for Deferment

On 25.7.2019, the applicant’s representative wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to further defer making a decision on the application for another two months so as to allow more time for preparation of further information in response to Drainage Services Department (DSD)’s comments (**Appendix I**).

3. Planning Department's Views

- 3.1 The application has been deferred once for two months at the request of the applicant. The applicant indicates that more time is required for the preparation of further information to address DSD's comments.
- 3.2 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 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 applicant. If the further information 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 two months for preparation of submission of further information. Since it is the second deferment of the application, the applicant should be advised that the Board has allowed a total of four months for preparation of submission of further information, 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 25.7.2019 from the applicant's representative
Plan A-1 Location plan

**PLANNING DEPARTMENT
AUGUST 2019**