

APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION
UNDER SECTION 16 OF THE TOWN PLANNING ORDINANCE

APPLICATION NO. A/YL-HTF/1105
(for 1st Deferment)

- Applicant** : Mr. TO Wong represented by Metro Planning and Development Company Limited
- Site** : Lot 221 (Part) in D.D. 128, Lau Fau Shan, Yuen Long, New Territories
- Site Area** : 400 m² (about)
- Lease** : Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)
- Plan** : Approved Ha Tsuen Fringe Outline Zoning Plan (OZP) No. S/YL-HTF/12
- Zoning** : “Coastal Protection Area” (“CPA”)
- Application** : Temporary Shop and Services for a Period of 3 Years

1. Background

On 14.5.2020, the applicant sought planning permission to use the application site (the Site) for temporary shop and services for a period of 3 years (**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) at this meeting.

2. Request for Deferment

On 2.7.2020, 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 so as to allow time for preparation of further information to clarify the extent of the convenience store at the Site (**Appendix I**).

3. Planning Department’s Views

3.1 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 to address 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 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 a period of two months 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 2.7.2020 from the applicant's representative

Plan A-1 Location plan

**PLANNING DEPARTMENT
JULY 2020**