RNTPC Paper No. A/YL-LFS/363 For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 26.6.2020

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

# **APPLICATION NO. A/YL-LFS/363**

(for 1st Deferment)

Applicant : Wider Link Investment Limited represented by Aikon Development

**Consultancy Limited** 

**Site** : Lots 1601 (Part), 1604, 1605, 1606, 1607, 1608, 1609, 1610 S.A, 1610 S.B,

1610 S.C, 1611, 1612, 1613 (Part), 1615 and 1616 (Part) in D.D. 129 and adjoining Government Land (GL), Lau Fau Shan, Yuen Long, New

Territories

Site Area : About 20,860 m<sup>2</sup> (including about 200 m<sup>2</sup> of GL (about 0.96%))

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

Plan : Approved Lau Fau Shan and Tsim Bei Tsui Outline Zoning Plan (LFS &

TBT OZP) No. S/YL-LFS/9 and Approved Tin Shui Wai Outline Zoning

Plan (TSW OZP) No. S/TSW/14

**Zoning** : "Green Belt" ("GB") (about 99%) (on LFS & TBT OZP)

"Open Space (1)" ("O(1)") (about 1%) (on TSW OZP)

**Application**: Proposed Place of Recreation, Sports or Culture and Shop and Services

(including Hobby Farming, Children Playground, Refreshment Kiosk,

Handicraft Making and Ancillary Public Car Park)

## 1. Background

On 20.3.2020, the applicant sought planning permission for proposed place of recreation, sports or culture and shop and services (including hobby farming, children playground, refreshment kiosk, handicraft making and ancillary public car park) (**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 12.6.2020, 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 prepare further information in addressing relevant departmental comments (**Appendix I**).

## 3. Planning Department's Views

- 3.1 The Planning Department has <u>no objection</u> 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 address the 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. <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 to the Committee for consideration at the next meeting.

#### 5. Attachments

**Appendix I** Letter of 12.6.2020 from the applicant's representative

Plan A-1 Location Plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT JUNE 2020