RNTPC Paper No. A/YL-TYST/1032

For Consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee on 1.9.2020

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

#### **APPLICATION NO. A/YL-TYST/1032**

(for 1st Deferment)

<u>Applicant</u> : Forest Development & Construction Company Limited

represented by Metro Planning and Development Company

Limited

Site : Lots 2720 RP (Part), 2722 RP (Part), 2723 (Part), 2724 (Part),

2725, 2726, 2727 (Part), 2735 (Part) & 2736 RP (Part) in D.D.

120, Yuen Long, New Territories

Site Area : 3,650 m<sup>2</sup> (about)

Lease : Block Government Lease (demised for agricultural use)

Plans : Draft Tong Yan San Tsuen (TYST) Outline Zoning Plan (OZP)

No. S/YL-TYST/13 currently in force

Approved TYST OZP No. S/YL-TYSY/12 at the time of

submission

**Zonings** : "Residential (Group A) 3" ("R(A)3") (about 86%); and

[Restricted to a maximum plot ratio of 7 and a maximum building height of

160mPD1

an area shown as 'Road' (about 14%)

on the draft TYST OZP No. S/YL-TYST/13 currently in force

"Undetermined" ("U") on the then approved TYST OZP No.

S/YL-TYST/12 at the time of submission

**Application** : Temporary Warehouse for Storage of Construction Materials and

Electrical Goods for a Period of 3 Years

### 1 Background

1.1 On 27.5.2020, the applicant sought planning permission to use the application site (the Site) for temporary warehouse for storage of construction material and electrical goods for a period of 3 years (**Plan A-1**).

1.2 In light of the special work arrangement for government departments due to the novel coronavirus infection, the meeting originally scheduled for 24.7.2020 for consideration of the application has been rescheduled, and the Town Planning Board (the Board) has agreed to defer consideration of the application. The application is now scheduled for consideration by the Rural and New Town Planning Committee (the Committee) at this meeting.

#### **Request for Deferment**

On 25.8.2020, the applicant's representative wrote to the Secretary of the Board and requested the Board to defer making a decision on the application for 2 months so as to allow more time to prepare the submission of the fire service installations proposal (**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 prepare FSIs proposal, 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 2 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 2 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 25.8.2020 from the applicant's representative

Plan A-1 Location plan

PLANNING DEPARTMENT SEPTEMBER 2020