

Important – Planning permission & notices of consent

Compliance with conditions

- Your planning approval or consent is attached. It will contain conditions that you must comply with.
- Please read the conditions and understand their requirements and restrictions, for example submission and approval of details or measures to protect trees.
- Some conditions will require action before you start development and it is imperative that you seek to have these discharged before any work commences.
- Whilst every effort has been made to group conditions logically, it is your responsibility to ensure that you are aware of the requirements and/or restrictions of all conditions.
- If you fail to comply with the conditions this may result in a breach of planning control and this may lead to enforcement action.
- Failure to comply with conditions may also result in the development not being lawful.
- It is in your interests to demonstrate that conditions have been complied with. Failure to do so may cause difficulties if the property is sold or transferred.
- A fee is payable for each request to discharge conditions.
- For advice on any of these matters, please contact Planning, Manchester City Council, PO Box 532, Town Hall, Manchester M60 2LA or email planning@manchester.gov.uk

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Planning Permission

Applicant

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Part 1 – Particulars of the application/development

Proposal: Temporary change of use of public open space for the purpose of a Christmas Market for a period of 46 days.

Location: Corn Exchange & Exchange Square, Manchester

Date of application: 3 September 2025

Application number: 143891/VO/2025

Part 2 – Particulars of decision

Manchester City Council gives notice that the development referred to in Part 1 has been **Approved** in accordance with the application and plans submitted subject to the condition(s) listed below (if any).

Article 35 Declaration

In assessing the merits of a planning application, officers will seek to work with the applicant in a positive and proactive manner to seek solutions to problems arising in relation to dealing with the planning application. All such issues have been resolved due to the discussions within the applicant and the conditions.

Condition(s) attached to this decision

1) 1) The permission hereby granted is for a limited period only, expiring on 22 December 2025 and the use comprising the development for which permission is hereby temporarily granted is required to be discontinued on the date of expiry.

Reason - The use hereby approved is of a temporary nature only and pursuant to Core Strategy policies SP1, DM1 and Saved Unitary Development Plan policy DC18.

2) 2) The structures hereby permitted shall be discontinued no later than the 23 December 2025 and the fixings and works comprising the development are required to be removed no later than one week from the use ceasing.

Reason - The use and buildings are required to cease and be removed from site within a specified timescale in order to allow reinstatement of the site pursuant to policies SP1 and DM1 of the Manchester Core Strategy (2012).

3) Within two weeks prior to the expiration of the temporary period, a scheme to restore the land shall be submitted for approval in writing by the City Council, as Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall be implemented within one month of the use ceasing and thereafter retained and maintained in accordance with this scheme.

Reason - To ensure that the land is reinstated to an appropriate standard in the interest of visual amenity and to restore the recreational value of the site pursuant to policies SP1, DM1 of the Manchester Core Strategy (2012).

4) 4) The development hereby approved shall be carried out in accordance with the following drawings and documents:

Drawing (Location Plan): MCC-XX-DR-B-002 (Received 2 October 2025)

Drawing (Site Plan): MCC-XX-DR-B-010 (Received 2 October 2025)

Document: Design and Access Statement Manchester Christmas Markets 2025 (Received 2 September 2025)

Reason - To ensure the development is carried out in accordance with the approved plans. Pursuant to policies SP1 and DM1 of the Core Strategy and the National Planning Policy Framework.

5) 5) The approved use shall operate in accordance with the following hours:

10:00 to 21:00 (Food and drink vendors)

10:00 to 20:00 (Craft and gift vendors)

Reason - To safeguard the amenity of the surrounding residential occupiers, pursuant to policies SP1 and DM1 of the Core Strategy.

6) The generators used at the market site shall be Stage V 60kVa Generators provided by John F Hunt Power, as outlined in the approved specification (Received 9 October 2025).

Reason - In order to safeguard residential amenity and reduce noise and general disturbance pursuant to policies SP1 and DM1 of the Core Strategy.

7) 7) The details of the Waste Management scheme as set out in the approved 'Design and Access Statement Manchester Christmas Markets 2025' document received by the City Council as the Local Planning Authority on 2 September 2025 shall be implemented as part of the development and shall remain in situ whilst the use or development is in

operation.

Reason - In order to ensure that adequate provision is made within the development for the storage and recycling of waste in accordance with policies DM1 and EN19 of the Core Strategy

Informatives

Building Regulations 2010

This permission does not grant approval under Building Regulations.

Street Naming & Numbering Requirements

Manchester City Council is responsible for allocating street naming and numbering within Manchester for new developments or property conversions. Individuals or businesses are not permitted to allocate their own property numbers, building or street names.

If your development includes the creation of new dwellings (either new build or conversion of existing buildings), creation of new commercial properties or the subdivision of existing properties you must ensure that you request new or changes to addresses through us so they can be officially allocated and registered in accordance with the Public Health Act 1925 Sections 17-19 & Greater Manchester Act 1981 Section 22.

Failure to do this may result in difficulties for the developer/occupier when requiring services such as connections to utilities, phone lines and postal services and may delay your development.

You can apply online at the following address:

www.manchester.gov.uk/info/100011/roads_parking_and_transport/1988/naming_and_numbering_of_houses_buildings_streets_and_roads/2

Mining Information

The proposed development lies within an area which could be subject to current coal mining or hazards resulting from past coal mining. Please read the Standing Advice from the Mining Remediation Authority.

Date: 28 October 2025

Signed: 

Julie Roscoe
Director of Planning, Building Control & Licensing

Manchester City Council, P O Box 532, Town Hall, Manchester M60 2LA

Notes

1. This permission refers only to that required under the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 does not include any consent or approval under any other enactment, byelaw, order or regulation.

2 If the applicant is aggrieved by the decision of the local planning authority to refuse permission or approval for the proposed development, or to grant permission or approval subject to conditions, they may appeal to the Secretary of State in accordance with Section 78(1) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 within six months of the date of the notice of the decision.

The Planning Inspectorate have introduced an online appeals service that can be used to make appeals online. This service is available through the gov.uk website – www.gov.uk/appeal-planning-decision. The Inspectorate will publish details of your appeal on the internet. Alternatively If you are unable to access the online appeal form, please contact the Planning Inspectorate to obtain a paper copy of the appeal form on tel: 0303 444 5000.

The Secretary of State has power to allow a longer period for the giving of a notice of appeal but they will not normally be prepared to exercise this power unless there are special circumstances that excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal.

If you intend to submit an appeal that you would like examined by inquiry then you must notify the City Council (planning@manchester.gov.uk) and the Planning Inspectorate (inquiryappeals@planninginspectorate.gov.uk) at least 10 days before submitting the appeal. Further details are on GOV.UK.

3. The statutory requirements are those set out in Section 79(6) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, namely Sections 70(1) and 72(1) of the Act.

4. If either the local planning authority or the Secretary of State refuses permission to develop land or grants it subject to conditions, the owner may claim that they can neither put the land to a reasonably beneficial use in its existing state nor render the land capable of a reasonably beneficial use by the carrying out of any development which has been or would be permitted.

In these circumstances, the owner may serve a purchase notice on the Council in whose area the land is situated. This notice will require the Council to purchase their interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of Part VI of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990

5. In certain circumstances, a claim may be made against the local planning authority for compensation, where permission is refused or granted subject to conditions by the Secretary of State on appeal or on a reference of the application to them. The circumstances in which such compensation is payable are set out in Section 114 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.