MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL

Planning

Growth & Development

Delegated officer report for planning application

Application no.	141078/FH/2024
Date registered valid:	23 September 2024
Proposal:	Erection of single storey rear extension to form enlarged basement and ground floor together with the rebuilding of the existing first floor outrigger and associated elevational alterations
Address:	28 Brundretts Road, Manchester, M21 9DB
Ward(s):	Chorlton Park Ward
Applicant:	Ms Victoria Hayes
Agent (if any):	Mrs Amy Axon, Guy Taylor Associates
Case officer:	Holly Wright Tel: 0161 219 6381 Email: holly.wright@manchester.gov.uk
Recommendation:	Approve

Date of recommendation: **12 November 2024**

Application details

Type of application: Full Householder Application

Development type: Householder

Date of site visit: 11 October 2024

Standard consultations: No consultations have been printed and sent.

Neighbour notifications: Printed: 3 October 2024 Expired: 24 October 2024

Site notice: No site notice has been produced

Press advert: No press advert had been published

Departure from Development Plan: No

Environmental Statement: Not required

Description of site/building

Listed building: Not applicable

Conservation area: Not applicable

Tree Preservation Order: Not applicable

The application relates to a two-storey mid-terraced C3 dwellinghouse of redbrick with a grey slate dual pitch roof. The property features white timber-framed windows, including a ground floor bay to the front and a front-facing dormer, a front porch canopy, a modest front garden, a two-storey rear outrigger, and a spacious rear garden.

26
30
32

LEVEL
FILL
NO FIRES

WADE

Description of area

Brundretts Road is a residential street situated within the Chorlton Park ward of Manchester, close to Wilbraham Road (A6010), Barlow Moor Road, and Chorlton district centre. Set behind the main commercial high streets of Chorlton, the area is predominantly residential in terms of its character, consisting of terraced and semi-detached dwellinghouses.

Description of development

The applicant is seeking permission for the erection of a single storey rear extension to form enlarged basement and ground floor together with the rebuilding of the existing first floor outrigger and associated elevational alterations.

Planning history

093025/FO/2010/S1 - Installation of 3no. single leaf and 2no. double leaf pedestrian access alley gates – **APPROVED** (14.06.2010).

140680/PDE/2024 - Prior notification of proposed larger home extension projecting 4m to the rear, with a maximum height of 4m and a height at eaves of 3m – **TURNED AWAY** (12.09.2024).

Consultations & Notification Responses

Local residents, as per appendix 1 – no comments or objections received.

Policies

The following policies are considered relevant in the consideration of this application.

Unitary Development Plan (UDP) – The UDP has been superseded by the Core Strategy Development Plan, but certain policies are still considered of relevance:
- Policy DC1 – Residential Extensions

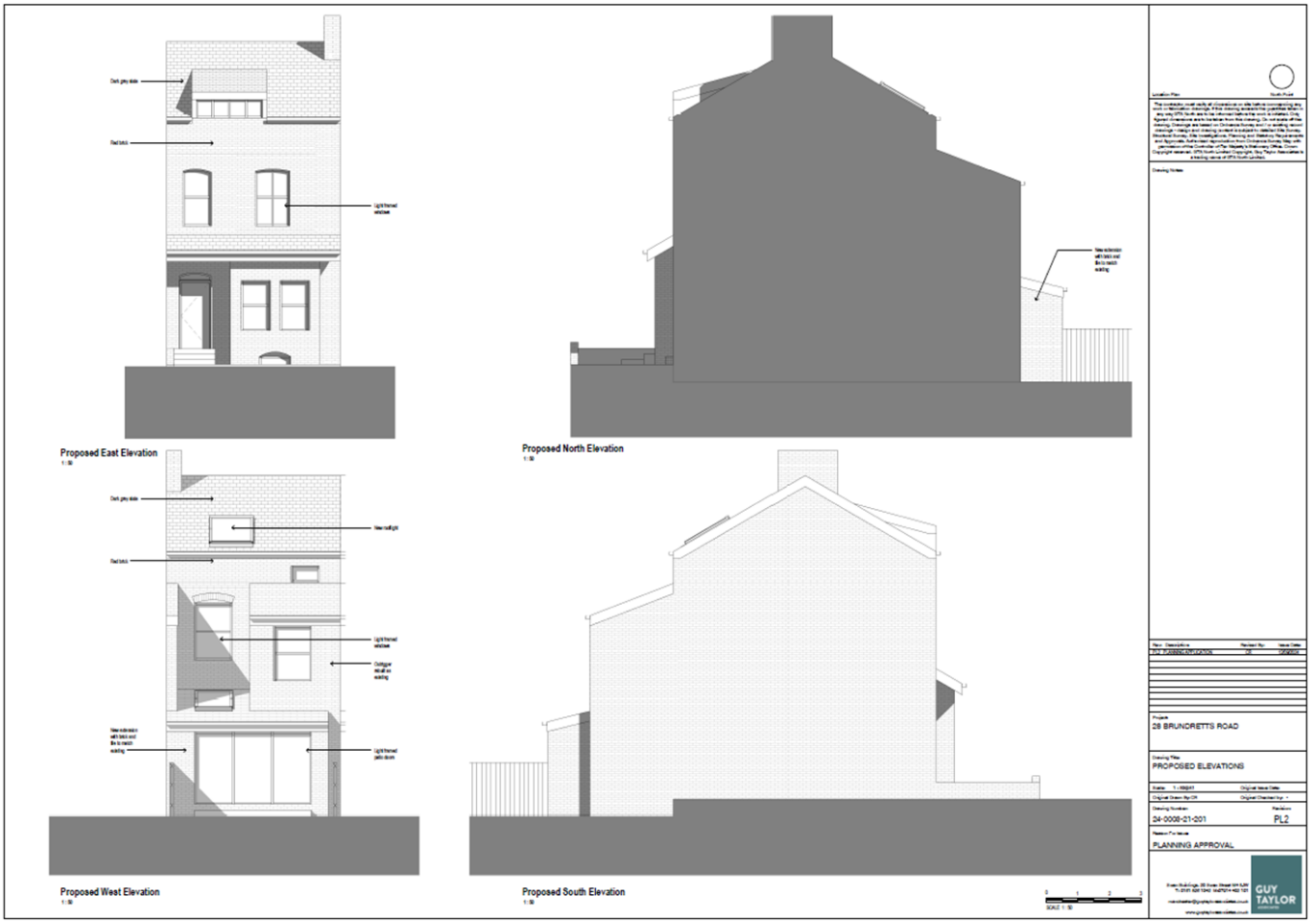
The Manchester Core Strategy – Development Plan Document 2012-2027 ("the Core Strategy") was adopted by the City Council on the 11th of July 2012:
- Policy DM1 – Development Management
- Policy SP1 – Spatial Principles

The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF, 2021)
- Chapter 12 – Achieving Well-Designed Places

Places for Everyone - is a long-term plan of nine Greater Manchester districts for jobs, new homes, and sustainable growth. It has been published by the GMCA on behalf of the nine districts and took effect and became part of the statutory development plan on March 21, 2024.

- Policy JP-P1: Sustainable Places

Submitted proposed plans



Submitted proposed elevations

Issues

Policies SP1 and DM1 of the Manchester Core Strategy seek to ensure that new development enhances or creates character, protects, and enhances the built environment; and that the design, scale, and appearance of the proposed development is appropriate to its context. Policies DC1.1, DC1.2, DC1.3 and DC1.4 of the Unitary Development Plan for the City of Manchester relate specifically to residential extensions and set out a number of criteria against which proposals for extensions will be assessed. Although these latter policies are now of some age, they are consistent with the guidance in the National Planning Policy Framework which seeks a high standard of design in new developments to ensure a good standard of amenity for all existing and future occupiers.

Principle – the principle of erecting a single storey rear extension, together with re-building the existing first-floor rear outrigger as well as elevational/external alterations to provide additional and improved living accommodation for a family dwellinghouse is acceptable given that many individuals prefer to extend and alter their homes to meet changing household needs rather than move. However, consideration must be given to the proposal's siting, scale and massing, appearance and impact upon visual amenity, residential amenity, waste storage, and parking.

Siting, scale, and massing – the single storey extension would be sited at the rear of the property, facing southwest. It would project 4m rearwards from the host dwellinghouse, with a width of 5.172m, pitched roof height of 3.979m and an eaves height of 2.684m. It would be sited along the boundary shared with No.26 Brundretts Road and would maintain a gap of 0.162m to the boundary shared with No.30 Brundretts Road.

The overall siting, scale, and massing of the proposal is considered to be acceptable as the extension is understood as being subservient to the host dwellinghouse in terms of its dimensions, would avoid resulting in an 'excessively large or bulky' addition to the property, and would not cause undue harm to the residential amenity of neighbouring occupiers in terms of introducing an overbearing feature into the area. Sufficient private outdoor amenity space would also be retained to the rear.

The proposal therefore accords with policies DM1 and SP1 of the Core Strategy.

Appearance and visual amenity – the submitted application form indicates that extension would be built of brickwork and tiles to match the existing in addition to light-framed windows and doors. It would feature blank side elevations, a set of patio doors to the rear, and 1no. skylight to its rear-facing roof slope.

The proposal is relatively standard in terms of its design and scale for developments of this type and would be in-keeping with the existing precedent of residential extensions in this locale. Sited at the rear of the property, the proposal would not be highly visible within the street scene and public realm. Moreover, its use of matching materials should provide a blended appearance with the host dwellinghouse, ensuring that the extension does not form a prominent visual feature. Hence, the overall character of the property and its surrounding area should not be significantly harmed by these works.

The design and appearance of the extension therefore accords with Core Strategy policies DM1 and SP1 as well as chapter 12 of the NPPF.

Residential amenity – given that the extension would be single storey with a maximum height of 3.979m and largely sited between the existing rear outriggers of the application site and the adjoining property, it is considered that it should not cause issues associated with overshadowing, loss of light, or loss of outlook, nor should it introduce an overbearing presence into the area. Its blank side elevations should also ensure that the privacy of neighbouring occupiers is not compromised as a result of the works.

The proposal therefore accords with saved policy DC1 of the UDP and policies SP1 and DM1 of the Core Strategy.

Waste storage – the current waste storage arrangements would be unaffected by the proposal.

Parking – the current parking arrangements would be unaffected by the proposal.

Use – in their email correspondence dating to the 16th October 2024, the agent of the application confirmed that the property and extension would remain in use as a class C3 family dwellinghouse.

Other matters – the proposal also includes the following external alterations:

- The existing first-floor outrigger would be rebuilt with dimension and materials to match the existing.
- The first-floor outrigger's rear window would be replaced with a larger counterpart.
- The first-floor window in the rear elevation of the host dwellinghouse would be repositioned and replaced with a larger counterpart with a brick header introduced.
- The existing rear-facing skylight would be replaced with a larger counterpart.
- A small basement outrigger (measuring to 0.546m in length/depth and 2.832m in width, matching the existing at ground floor level) would be installed to the front, with 1no. front-facing window.

- A small lightwell (measuring to 0.585m in length/depth and 1m in width) would be installed to the front.

These alterations are considered acceptable given their minimal impact upon the visual and residential amenity of the area.

The proposal also includes works to the boundary shared with No.26 Brundretts Road, with the rear extension extending along it. As such, ownership certificate B has been completed with the requisite notice served. Further concerns or issues that may arise in association with the proposed works to the boundary would be regarded as civil legal matters between the parties that should be dealt with under separate legislation (e.g., the Party Wall Act, 1996) and would not represent material considerations of Manchester City Council Planning.

Conclusion – given the above issues, it is considered that the proposal is acceptable in terms of its principle, siting, scale and massing, appearance, impact upon visual and residential amenity, waste storage and parking as it broadly complies with policy DC1 of the UDP, policies DM1 and SP1 of the Core Strategy and chapter 12 of the NPPF.

Other Legislative Requirements

Equality Act 2010
Section 149 (Public Sector Equality Duty) of the Equality Act 2010 requires due regard to the need to: Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act and; Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a protected characteristic and persons who do not share it. The Equality Duty does not impose a legal requirement to conduct an Equality Impact Assessment. Compliance with the Equality Duty involves consciously thinking about the aims of the Equality Duty as part of the process of decision-making.

Human Rights Act 1998 considerations
This application needs to be considered against the provisions of the Human Rights Act 1998. Under Article 6, the applicants (and those third parties, including local residents, who have made representations) have a right to a fair hearing and to this end the local planning authority must give full consideration to their comments.

Protocol 1 Article 1, and Article 8 where appropriate, confer(s) a right of respect for a person's home, other land and business assets. In taking account of all material considerations, including Council policy as set out in the Core Strategy and saved polices of the Unitary Development Plan, the Director of Planning, Building Control & Licensing has concluded that some rights conferred by these articles on the applicant(s)/objector(s)/resident(s) and other occupiers and owners of nearby land that might be affected may be interfered with but that that interference is in accordance with the law and justified by being in the public interest and on the basis of the planning merits of the development proposal. She believes that any restriction on these rights posed by the recommendation given is proportionate to the wider benefits of and that such a decision falls within the margin of discretion afforded to the Council under the Town and Country Planning Acts.

Recommendation: Approve

Article 35 Declaration

Officers have worked with the applicant in a positive and proactive manner based on seeking solutions to problems arising in relation to dealing with the planning application. Minor issues have arisen during the consideration of this application and the officer negotiated with the agent to reach a satisfactory resolution.

Condition(s) to be attached to decision for approval OR Reasons for recommendation to refuse

1) The development must be begun not later than the expiration of three years beginning with the date of permission.

Reason - Required to be imposed pursuant to Section 91 of the Town and Country Act Planning Act 1990.

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

'PROPOSED FLOOR PLANS', numbered '24-0003-20-201 REV PL2', stamped as received by the City Council as Local Planning Authority on the 23rd September 2024.
'PROPOSED ELEVATIONS', numbered '24-0003-21-201 REV PL2', stamped as received by the City Council as Local Planning Authority on the 23rd September 2024.

Reason - To ensure the development is carried out in accordance with the approved plans, pursuant to policies SP1 and DM1 of the Manchester Core Strategy.

3) The materials to be used on the external surfaces of the extension hereby permitted shall match those of the existing dwellinghouse in type, size, colour and texture.

Reason - To ensure the appearance of the building to be extended is not adversely affected by the materials to be used in the construction of the extension, pursuant to saved policy DC1 of the Unitary Development Plan for the City of Manchester and policies SP1 and DM1 of the Manchester Core Strategy.

Appendix 1 – List of consultees & neighbours notified

30 Brundretts Road, Manchester, M21 9DB
19 Brundretts Road, Manchester, M21 9DA
26 Brundretts Road, Manchester, M21 9DB
23 Brundretts Road, Manchester, M21 9DA
21 Brundretts Road, Manchester, M21 9DA
Yorklea Residential Care Home, 15 - 17 York Road, Manchester, M21 9HP

Appendix 2 – Planning constraints

Article 4 Direction - Removal Of PD Rights Change Of Use From Class C3 To Class C4
Susceptible to Surf Water Flood (Less) -
Area Team Boundary - Name: SOUTH AREA