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Our Ref: 8717 – Zambrero Cross St

Planning Portal Ref: PP-12960457

General Statement

Client	Zambrero UK
Location	59 Cross Street, Manchester, M2 4JW.

Please read the following as a general statement to support the Listed Building Application for the above property (Planning Portal Ref: PP-12960457)

Background

Zambrero is an Australian brand with a large portfolio of restaurants in Australia, along with other countries such as the USA, Ireland, and Europe.

They have been continuing with their global brand in the United Kingdom since 2021 and have opened a number of locations already, strategically placed across the country including others in Manchester, Birmingham and several in London. They have ongoing plans to strategically open other locations over the next 5-10years, particularly within busy City Centre's.

All branches are trading very well, providing a valuable ethically sourced food offering to today's busy consumers.

Zambrero are a business with a social and ethical conscience, they specialise in 'Mexican food with difference' and donate a meal to very worthy international causes for every meal they sell, under their 'plate 4 plate' initiative. (currently some 80 million plates donated so far)

The Proposal

The proposal relates to the internal fit out within 59 Cross St, Manchester M2 4JW over ground floor only with utilisation of the basement as an ancillary supporting area.

The proposal is to remain largely open plan in the customer area, keeping & utilising historical elements as much as possible such as retaining and refurbishing the existing wooden floor, refurbishing and re-using the historic door to the side, retaining as much of the external look and features as possible including the large dual aspect windows, allowing the views from the outside into a newly fitted out open plan space.

Natural building products will be used as much as is reasonably possible internally and externally.

In Summary

The building itself is currently vacant and has been left internally in a dilapidated state, which looks unsightly.

The intention is for Zambrero UK to invest in this building and also into the area, providing not only employment to local persons, but also an up to date, vibrant food offering to those whose should wish to use it improving the local economy.

Their other locations have proved exceptionally popular in other areas with lunchtime workers and visitors.

It is obvious that there is considerable investment by Manchester City Council into this area and the surrounding wider areas and it is felt that the Zambrero offering will enhance this busy part of Manchester City.