

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

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Part 1 – Particulars of the application/development

Proposal: Erection of a substation including switch house, transformers and compounds as well as new security fence and access

Location: Land Between Birchall Way And Upper Medlock Street, Manchester, M15 6PL

Date of application: 16 August 2024

Application number: 140484/FO/2024

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

Officers have worked with the applicant in a positive and proactive manner based on seeking solutions to issues arising from the consideration of this application.

Condition(s) attached to this decision

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

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

2) The development hereby approved shall be carried out in accordance with the following drawings and documents, received on 10 July 2024:

- a) Site Location Plan (101045-00002-002)
- b) Existing Site Plan (101045-00003-002)

- c) Proposed Site Plan (101045-00004-002)
- d) Proposed Building Plan (101045-00005-002)
- e) Proposed Building Elevations Sheet 1 of 2 (100145-00006-002)
- f) Proposed Building Elevations Sheet 2 of 2 (100145-00007-002)
- g) Proposed Site Elevations (100145-00008-002)
- h) Ecological Assessment (10454.003 - TEP)
- i) Noise Impact Assessment (Report No. J004827-7737-SH-01 - Philip Dunbavin Acoustics Ltd)

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

3) The development hereby approved shall be constructed and thereafter maintained utilising the materials detailed in Section 6 of the Planning, Design and Access Statement (July 2024 ref: IN10454.001).

Reason - To ensure that the appearance of the development is acceptable to the City Council as local planning authority in the interests of the visual amenity of the area within which the site is located, as specified in policies SP1 and DM1 of the Manchester Core Strategy.

4) Prior to the commencement of development, details of a sustainable surface water drainage scheme and a foul water drainage scheme shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The drainage schemes must include:

- (i) An investigation of the hierarchy of drainage options in the National Planning Practice Guidance (or any subsequent amendment thereof). This investigation shall include evidence of an assessment of ground conditions and the potential for infiltration of surface water in accordance with BRE365;
- (ii) A restricted rate of discharge of surface water agreed with the local planning authority (if it is agreed that infiltration is discounted by the investigations);
- (iii) Levels of the proposed drainage systems including proposed ground and finished floor levels in AOD;
- (iv) Incorporate mitigation measures to manage the risk of sewer surcharge where applicable;
- and
- (v) Foul and surface water shall drain on separate systems.

The approved schemes shall also be in accordance with the Non-Statutory Technical Standards for Sustainable Drainage Systems (March 2015) or any subsequent replacement national standards.

Prior to occupation of the proposed development, the drainage schemes shall be completed in accordance with the approved details and retained thereafter for the lifetime of the development.

Reason - To promote sustainable development, secure proper drainage and to manage the risk of flooding and pollution, in light of national policies within the NPPF and NPPG and Policies EN08 and EN14 in the Manchester Core Strategy.

5) a) The development hereby approved shall be implemented in accordance with the findings of the submitted Noise Impact Assessment (Report No. J004827-7737-SH-01 - Philip Dunbavin Acoustics Ltd), received on 10 July 2024.

b) Prior to the operation of the scheme a verification report shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the City Council as local planning authority to validate that the work undertaken throughout the development conforms to the recommendations and requirements in the approved acoustic report. The report shall also undertake post completion testing to confirm that the noise criteria have been met. Any instances of non-conformity with the recommendations in the report shall be detailed along with any measures required to ensure compliance with the agreed noise criteria.

Reason - To minimise the impact of the development and to prevent a general increase in pre-existing background noise levels around the site, pursuant to Policy DM1 in the Manchester Core Strategy and Saved UDP Policy DC26.

6) a) Before the development hereby approved commences, a report (the Preliminary Risk Assessment) to identify and evaluate all potential sources and impacts of any ground contamination, groundwater contamination and/or ground gas relevant to the site shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the City Council as local planning authority. The Preliminary Risk Assessment shall conform to City Council's current guidance document (Planning Guidance in Relation to Ground Contamination).

In the event of the Preliminary Risk Assessment identifying risks which in the written opinion of the Local Planning Authority require further investigation, the development shall not commence until a scheme for the investigation of the site and the identification of remediation measures (the Site Investigation Proposal) has been submitted to and approved in writing by the City Council as local planning authority.

The measures for investigating the site identified in the Site Investigation Proposal shall be carried out, before the development commences and a report prepared outlining what measures, if any, are required to remediate the land (the Site Investigation Report and/or Remediation Strategy) which shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the City Council as local planning authority.

b) When the development commences, the development shall be carried out in accordance with the previously agreed Remediation Strategy and a Completion/Verification Report shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the City Council as local planning authority.

In the event that ground contamination, groundwater contamination and/or ground gas, not previously identified, are found to be present on the site at any time before the development is occupied, then development shall cease and/or the development shall not be occupied until, a report outlining what measures, if any, are required to remediate the land (the Revised Remediation Strategy) is submitted to and approved in writing by the City Council as local planning authority and the development shall be carried out in accordance with the Revised Remediation Strategy, which shall take precedence over any Remediation Strategy or earlier Revised Remediation Strategy.

Reason - To ensure that the presence of or the potential for any contaminated land and/or groundwater is detected and appropriate remedial action is taken in the interests of public safety, pursuant to Policies DM1 and EN18 of the Manchester Core Strategy.

7) The development hereby approved shall not become fully operational (other than for testing and survey purposes) until electric and magnetic fields surveys have been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The surveys shall include:

- a) details and levels of electric and magnetic fields (before development commences);
- b) details and levels of electric and magnetic fields (following implementation of the proposed development); and
- c) details of any mitigation measures necessary to ensure the public will not be exposed to levels of electric and magnetic fields that exceed ICNIRP 1998 public health guidelines (or any UK government successor standard) together with a timetable for implementation.

The approved details shall be implemented in full.

Reason - To ensure existing residents and businesses are not exposed to electromagnetic fields that could pose a public health risk in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework and pursuant to Policy DM1 in the Manchester Core Strategy.

8) Prior to the commencement of above ground works a Biodiversity Gain Plan, Habitat Management and Monitoring Plan and updated Biodiversity Net Gain metric shall be submitted to and agreed in writing by the City Council as Local Planning Authority. The approved Biodiversity Gain Plan shall be implemented in accordance with an agreed timetable and thereafter maintained in accordance with the approved Habitat Management and Monitoring Plan.

Reason - In the interests of biodiversity net gain being achieved off site pursuant to Policy EN15 of the Manchester Core Strategy, Policies JP-G8 of Places for Everyone, National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and Schedule 7A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

9) Prior to the commencement of above ground work and notwithstanding the details shown on drawing nos. 101045/00004 rev 002 and 101045/00008 rev 002, received on 10 July 2024, details of the weld mesh type fencing to be used as perimeter security fencing shall be submitted to and be approved by the City Council as Local Planning Authority. The development shall thereafter be implemented and maintained in accordance with the approved details.

Reason - In the interests of visual amenity and site security, pursuant to Policies SP1 and DM1 in the Manchester Core Strategy.

10) Prior to the commencement of development, a Construction Method Statement shall be submitted to, and approved in writing by the City Council as Local Planning Authority. The approved Statement shall be adhered to throughout the construction period. The Statement shall provide for:

1. the designated route for construction and delivery vehicles
2. the parking of vehicles of site operatives and visitors
3. loading and unloading of plant and materials
4. storage of plant and materials used in constructing the development
5. the erection and maintenance of security hoarding including decorative displays and facilities for public viewing, where appropriate
6. wheel washing facilities
7. measures to control the emission of dust and dirt during construction
8. a scheme for recycling/disposing of waste resulting from demolition and construction works
9. hours of working

Reason - In the interest of pedestrian and highway safety and residential amenity, as specified in policies SP1 and DM1 of Manchester Core Strategy.

11) Prior to the commencement of above ground works, a detailed scheme of off-site highway works, in order to provide tactile paving and double yellow lines, shall be submitted for approval in writing by the City Council, as Local Planning Authority.

For the avoidance of doubt this shall include the following:

- a) Tactile paving and dropped kerbs at the Birchall Way access
- b) Double yellow lines to the access off Birchall Way and Upper Medlock Street associated with the substation.

The approved scheme shall be implemented and be in place prior to first use of the commercial element of the development hereby approved and thereafter retained and maintained in situ.

Reason - In the interest of pedestrian and highway safety pursuant to policies SP1, EN1 and DM1 of the Manchester Core Strategy.

12) No removal of or works to any hedgerows, trees or shrubs shall take place during the main bird breeding season 1st March and 31st August inclusive, unless a competent ecologist has undertaken a careful, detailed check of vegetation for active birds' nests immediately before the vegetation is cleared and provided written confirmation that no birds will be harmed and/or that there are appropriate measures in place to protect nesting bird interest on site. Any such written confirmation should be submitted to the local planning authority.

Reason - To ensure the protection of habitat of species that are protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 or as subsequently amended in order to comply with policy EN15 of the Manchester Core Strategy.

13) Above grounds works shall not commence until details of the Hedgehog Reasonable Avoidance Measures referred to in Section 5.9 of the Ecological Assessment (TEP), including a timetable for their installation and maintenance regime, have been submitted to and been approved by the City Council as local planning authority. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the agreed details.

Reason - To ensure the protection of habitat and species that are protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 or as subsequently amended in order to comply with policy EN15 of the Manchester Core Strategy.

14) Prior to the commencement of above ground works, details of any lighting scheme and how this has been designed and would be operated to ensure that any impact on foraging bats would be negligible shall be submitted to an approved in writing by the City Council as Local Planning Authority. The strategy shall:

a) identify those areas/features on site that are particularly sensitive for bats and that are likely to cause disturbance in or around their breeding sites and resting places or along important routes used to access key areas of their territory, for example, for foraging; and

b) show how and where external lighting will be installed (through the provision of appropriate lighting contour plans and technical specifications) so that it can be clearly

demonstrated that areas to be lit will not disturb or prevent the above species using their territory or having access to their breeding sites and resting places.

All external lighting shall be installed and operated in accordance with agreed specifications and locations set out in the strategy

Reason: In the interests of the protection of bat roosts and associated foraging and commuting areas pursuant Section 15 of the National Planning Policy Framework and pursuant to Policies EN15 and SP1 in the Manchester Core Strategy.

15) Prior to the commencement of above ground works, a hard and soft landscaping treatment scheme shall be submitted to and approved by the City Council as Local Planning Authority. The approved scheme shall be implemented not later than 12 months from the date the building works are completed. If within a period of 5 years from the date of the planting of any tree or shrub, that tree or shrub or any tree or shrub planted in replacement for it, is removed, uprooted or destroyed or dies, or becomes, in the opinion of the local planning authority, seriously damaged or defective, another tree or shrub of the same species and size as that originally planted shall be planted at the same place.

Reason - To ensure that a satisfactory landscaping scheme for the development is carried out that respects the character and visual amenities of the area, in accordance with policies SP1, EN9 and DM1 of the Manchester 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:

http://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 Coal Authority in Appendix A.

Cadent Gas Ltd own and operate the gas infrastructure within the area of your development. There may be a legal interest (easements and other rights) in the land that restrict activity in proximity to Cadent assets in private land. The applicant must ensure that the proposed works do not infringe on legal rights of access and or restrictive covenants that exist.

If buildings or structures are proposed directly above the apparatus the development may only take place following diversion of the apparatus. The applicant should apply online to have apparatus diverted in advance of any works, by visiting cadentgas.com/diversions

Prior to carrying out works, including the construction of access points, please register on www.linesearchbeforeudig.co.uk to submit details of the planned works for review, ensuring requirements are adhered to.

Date: 24 October 2024

Signed: 

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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 his 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.

Appendix A



The Coal Authority

STANDING ADVICE - DEVELOPMENT LOW RISK AREA

The proposed development lies within a coal mining area which may contain unrecorded coal mining related hazards. If any coal mining feature is encountered during development, this should be reported immediately to the Coal Authority on 0345 762 6848.

Further information is also available on the Coal Authority website at:

www.gov.uk/government/organisations/the-coal-authority

Standing Advice valid from 1st January 2023 until 31st December 2024