MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL

Planning

Growth & Development

Delegated officer report for planning application

Application no.	139898/FH/2024
Date registered valid:	5 June 2024
Proposal:	Erection of single storey side and rear extension
Address:	16 Fairmile Drive, Manchester, M20 5WS
Ward(s):	Didsbury East Ward
Applicant:	Mr Mahdi Al-Rikabi
Agent (if any):	Mr Saadoun Jawad S. Jawad
Case officer:	Tracie Simpson Tel: 0161 234 4537 Email: tracie.simpson@manchester.gov.uk
Recommendation:	Approve
Date of recommendation:	**29th July 2024**



Application details

Type of application: Full Householder Application
Development type: Householder
Date of site visit: 2 July 2024
Standard consultations:
Printed: 5 June 2024 Expired: 26 June 2024
Neighbour notifications
Printed: 5 June 2024 Expired: 26 June 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

The site relates to a two storey semi detached property in the Didsbury East Ward area of Manchester. Gardens are to the front and rear with access along the side. A garage is located along the shared boundary with no. 14 Fairmile Drive. The site features bay windows on the front elevation with canopy over front entrance. Hardstanding is located at the front for the purpose of off road car parking.



Listed building: Not applicable

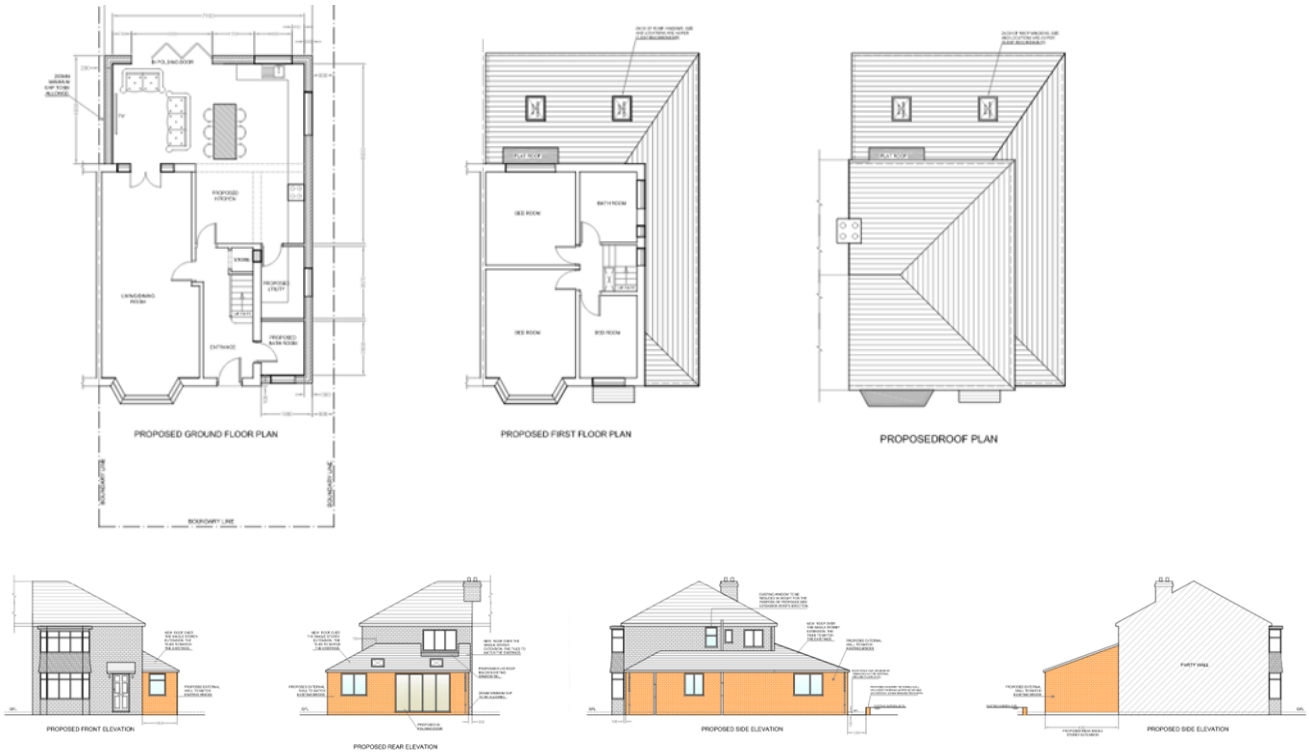
Conservation area: Not applicable
Tree Preservation Order: Not applicable

Description of area

The area is predominantly residential in nature

Description of development

The applicant is seeking planning permission for the erection of single storey side and rear extension



Consultations & Notification Responses

Local residents - as per Appendix 1 - Occupiers of properties surrounding the application site were notified of the proposal. No comments received.

Flood Risk

The development is in Flood Zone 2 with a vulnerability classification of 'More Vulnerable' and is a Minor Extension.
In accordance with the Flood Risk Assessment Guidance for Local Planning Authorities:
The LPA should assess the FRA under the Standing Advice.
The submitted FRA can be approved with no further comment.

Policy and Issues

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

o Unitary Development Plan (UDP) - The UDP has been superseded by the Core Strategy Development Plan.

o Policy DC1 for Residential Extensions is still considered of relevance, in particular policy DC1.5 - The Council will consider on their merits exemptions to the above policies in the case of applications from disabled people who may require particular adaptations to their homes.
o The Manchester Core Strategy Development Plan Document 2012-2027 ("the Core Strategy") was adopted by the City Council on 11th July 2012.
o Policy DM 1 - Development Management
o Policy SP1 - Spatial Principles
o Policy EN1 - Design Principles
o Policy EN 19 - Waste Management
o The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)

Places for Everyone Plan (2022 - 2039)

We have assessed the proposal against the following policies of the Places for Everyone Plan.

JP-S1: Sustainable Development
JP-P1 Sustainable Places

This policy outlines how we aim to become one of the most liveable city regions in the world, consisting of a series of beautiful, healthy, and varied places.

We consider this proposal to accord with the principles of this policy.

Principle

The principle of allowing residents to extend their homes to provide enlarged or improved accommodation is generally acceptable provided that there is no overriding, undue impact upon either the character of the property or upon the residential and visual amenity of nearby residential occupiers.

In this instance the principle of the proposal is considered acceptable and it is not believed that there are any factors of sufficient weight in amenity terms that would warrant refusal of the application.

On balance, the proposed changes are deemed to accord with saved policy DC1 of the UDP and policies DM1 and SP1 of the Manchester Core Strategy.

History

No previous planning applications relating to this site.

Residential Amenity

The applicant is seeking planning permission for the erection of single storey side and rear extension.

The proposal would be in line with the front wall of the property extending rearwards along the shared boundary with the adjacent property no. 14 Fairmile Drive. The extension would have a width measuring 1.9m, retaining a gap to the shared boundary measuring 800mm projecting 4.0m beyond the rear wall of the property. The proposal would wrap around the property up to the shared boundary with the adjoining semi detached property no. 18 Fairmile Drive. Windows are proposed on the front, side and rear with Bi folding doors on the rear elevation. Given the location of the window arrangements, it is not considered that there would be any overlooking or loss of

privacy given by the position of the side windows. Furthermore, the adjacent property has a side and rear extension with a brick side elevation.

The roof would be hipped with the inclusion of two roof lights. It is considered that given the height, orientation of the property together with the fact that the proposal is single storey, there would be no overshadowing or loss of light given by the position of the extension. Particularly as there are additions to properties either side.

The extension would be visible from the public highway and therefore would be a feature within the street scene. However, the character of the area has been retained although over time the houses in the immediate vicinity are themselves altered and extended. Therefore, the appearance is acceptable and its impact upon visual amenity is considered negligible.

On balance, the extension is considered can be acceptably accommodated at the application property and is considered that the proposal would not interfere with the existing characteristics of the area.

Overall, the addition to the property is considered to be acceptable in this location and it is not considered that the proposal would create any undue loss of privacy, loss of light or have an overbearing impact upon neighbouring occupiers and therefore accords with Core Strategy Policy DM1 and saved policy DC1 of the UDP.

Scale and Mass

The size and footprint of the extension, is not believed to provide an overbearing impact upon the residential amenities of surrounding properties. It is therefore considered that the design, scale and appearance of the proposed changes are satisfactory and are considered to accord with the principles for residential extensions set out in saved UDP policy DC1, DM1 and EN1 of the Core Strategy.

Design

The design of the proposal would be in keeping with the existing and surrounding properties in the area and in terms of the proposed materials it is intended to use matching brick and tile as specified in the application form.

The design is detailed as what is normally expected of such a structure and would not unduly impact upon residential amenity or the character of the area.

On balance it is considered that the design and appearance of the proposed development accords with Core Strategy Policies DM1 and EN1 and in general the design is considered acceptable

Flood Risk

Flood Risk are satisfied that the FRA can be approved with no further comments. A condition has been attached to ensure the applicants adhere to the submitted information.

Bins

The proposal shows the retention of a gap to the shared boundary for the movement of refuse bins for collection. This is considered would comply with policy EN19 of the Core Strategy.

Conclusion

The proposal is considered to be acceptable in this location in terms of design, scale and massing, allowing the occupiers to adapt their home to meet their needs, without unduly detrimentally affecting the amenities of the occupiers of surrounding properties, and there are no material considerations of sufficient weight to indicate otherwise. It is believed that the proposal would not interfere with the character of the area and in terms of residential amenity it is not considered that there will be any significant impact and the proposed development therefore accords with Core Strategy Policy DM1 and saved policy DC1 of the UDP.

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

Positive and proactive working - 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. The application has been determined in a timely manner and in accordance with the guidance contained within saved policy DC1 'Residential Extensions' of the Manchester Unitary Development Plan and to policy DM1 of the Core Strategy and the National Planning Policy Framework.

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 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 29th April 2024 numbered HS2402-02 Proposed Plans and Elevations

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

3) The materials to be used on the external surfaces of the hereby permitted extension 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 structure, pursuant to policy DM1 of the Manchester Core Strategy.

4) The development hereby approved shall be carried out in line with the submitted Minor Extension Flood Risk Assessment Proforma received on the 5th June 2024

Reason: To ensure that the development is not at an increased risk of flooding (from various sources) and that the appropriate flood resilience and resistance measures have been implemented on site where required.

Appendix 1 – List of consultees & neighbours notified

MCC Flood Risk Management

18 Fairmile Drive, Manchester, M20 5WS
17 Fairmile Drive, Manchester, M20 5WS
15 Fairmile Drive, Manchester, M20 5WS
14 Fairmile Drive, Manchester, M20 5WS
12 Fairmile Drive, Manchester, M20 5WS

Appendix 2 – Planning constraints

Article 4 Direction - Removal Of PD Rights Change Of Use From Class C3 To Class C4
Aircraft Safeguarding Zone - Aircraft Safeguarding Zone - All Exceeding 90M
Flood Zones Type 2 (low to medium risk) -
Susceptible to Surf Water Flood (Less) -
Susceptible to Surf Water Flood (Middle) -
Area Team Boundary - Name: SOUTH AREA