



**MANCHESTER
CITY COUNCIL**

Planning

Growth & Development

Delegated officer report for planning application

Application no. 137731/FH/2023

Date registered valid: 1 August 2023

Proposal: Erection of single storey rear extension and external wall insulation with render finish to the side and rear elevation together with installation of solar panels to front roof

Address: 4 Copley Road, Manchester, M21 9WT

Ward(s): Chorlton Ward

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Lawton

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Recommendation: Approve

Date of recommendation: 05/09/2023

Application details

Type of application: Full Householder Application

Development type: Householder

Date of site visit: 16/08/2023

Standard consultations:

Manchester City Council Environmental Health. Received 24 August 2023.

Neighbour notifications

Printed: 14 August 2023 Expired: 4 September 2023

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

Proposal relates to a semi-detached dwellinghouse on Copley Road. The property features an existing single storey outrigger and a conservatory. The property features a detached outbuilding to the rear. The property features hardstanding to the front and side with landscaping to the rear.

Listed building: Not applicable

Conservation area: Not applicable

Tree Preservation Order: Not applicable



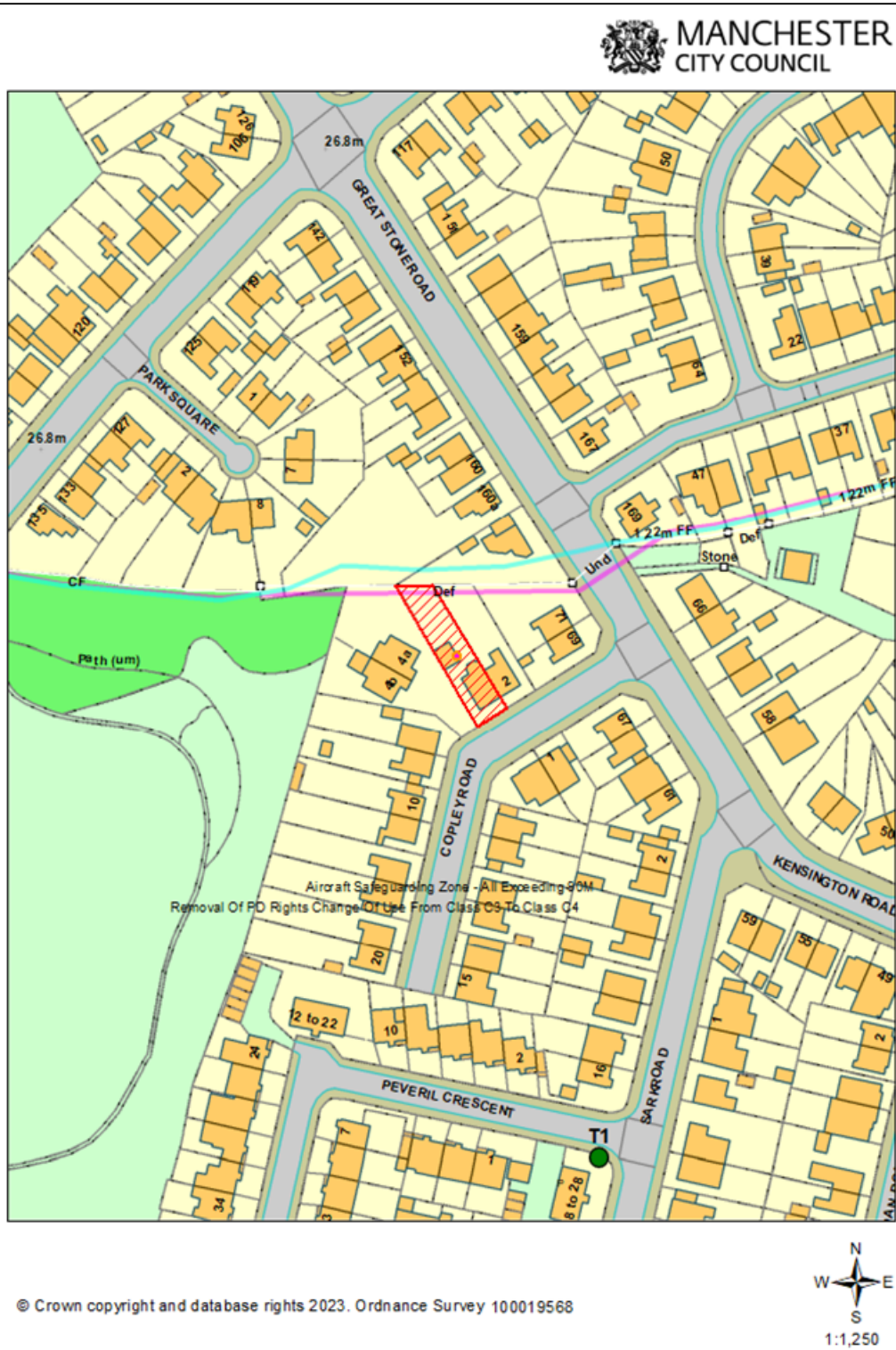
Figure 1. Street Scene



Figure 2. Rear 3/4

Description of area

The property is located in a predominately residential part of the Chorlton Ward of Manchester.



Description of development

Erection of single storey rear extension and external wall insulation with render finish to the side and rear elevation together with installation of solar panels to front roof.

The proposal demolishes the existing single storey outrigger and conservatory and replaces with a ground floor rear extension.

The proposed extension projects 4050mm from the existing rear elevation of the dwelling (this is 170mm less than the furthest projection of the existing conservatory).

The proposed extension spans 7490mm across the rear of the property leaving a 150mm gap to the shared boundary with 2 Copley Road.

The proposed extension would project 1397mm from the side of the existing property maintain a 1060mm distance to the shared boundary with 4A Copley Road.

The proposed extension adds a glazed French door and window to the rear elevation.

The proposed extension adds a brick (to match existing) and white render finish with a flat roof with a 2500mmx1250mm roof light.

The proposal also adds photovoltaic panels to the front (south facing) roof.

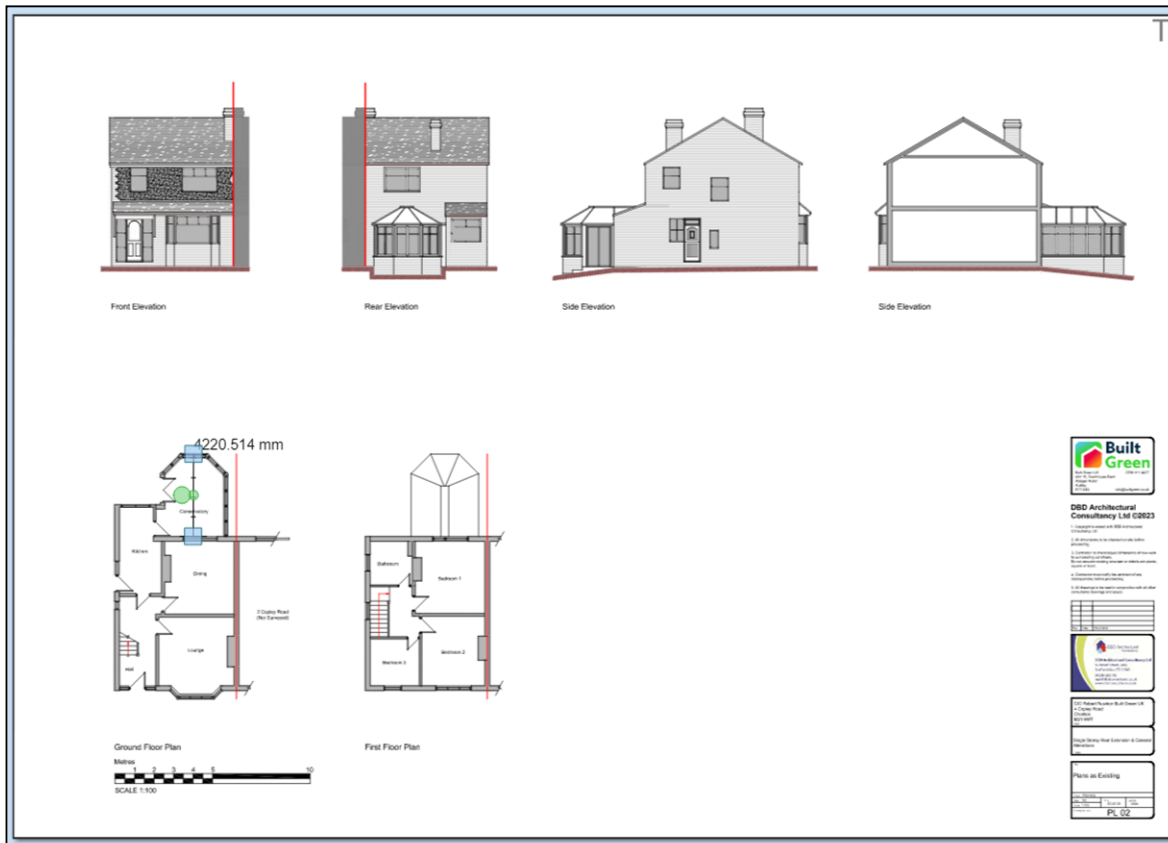


Figure 3. Existing plans and elevations



Figure 4. Proposed plans and elevations

Planning History

134771/FH/2022

Description: Erection of single storey rear and part single/part two storey side extensions following demolition of existing rear outrigger and conservatory together with the erection of a single storey front porch

Decision: Approved 19/10/2022

CDN/18/0812

Description: Discharge of Conditions 2 (Obscure glazing) and 5 (Fire Safety) attached to planning permission 119658/FH/2018

Decision: Approved 18/12/2018

119658/FH/2018

Description: Retrospective application for the erection of outbuilding

Decision: Approved 01/08/2018

ENF/13719/17

Description: Erection of an outbuilding

Decision: Closed 27/02/2018

Consultations & Notification Responses

Consultations

Manchester City Council Environmental Health

Manchester City Council Environmental Health were consulted on this application due to the in close proximity to a potential historical source of landfill gas.

Environmental Health asked for the detailed plans of a gas membrane which was approved.

Local Residents

As per Appendix 1, Occupiers of properties surrounding the application site were notified of the proposal.

No comments, objections, or representations in respect of this application was received.

Policies & Principle

Summary of relevant policy

Planning law requires that applications for planning permission be determined in accordance with the development plan unless material considerations indicate otherwise.

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

- [The Manchester Core Strategy Development Plan Document 2012-2027](#) ("the Core Strategy") was adopted by the City Council on 11th July 2012 and is the key document in the Manchester Local Plan. It sets the out the long-term strategic policies for Manchester's future development and forms the framework that planning applications are assessed against. The following Core Strategy Policies are considered relevant to this proposal:
 - DM 1 - Development Management
 - SP 1 - Spatial Principles
 - EN 1 - Design Principles and Strategic Character Areas
 - EN 8 – Adaptation to Climate Change
 - EN 14 – Flood Risk
 - EN 16 - Air Quality
 - EN 18 - Contaminated Land and Ground Stability
 - EN 19 - Waste

[Extant Unitary Development Plan Policies \(UDP\)](#) - The Core Strategy replaced much of the UDP, but some UDP Development Control policies are extant (remain). The following extant policy are still considered relevant to this proposal.

- DC1 - Residential Extensions
- DC26 - Development and Noise

- [The National Planning Policy Framework \(The NPPF\)](#) - The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) was first published on 27 March 2012 and updated on 24 July 2018, 19 February 2019, and 20 July 2021. This sets out the government's planning policies for England and how these are expected to be applied. The following sections are considered relevant to this proposal:
 - Section 4 – Decision-making
 - Section 12 – Achieving well-designed places
 - Section 14 - Meeting the challenge of climate change, flooding and coastal change

Principle of development

In general, the principle of allowing residents to extend their homes to provide enlarged or improved accommodation is generally acceptable if 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 development is deemed to accord with all relevant policy of the Manchester Core Strategy, Extant UDP and the NPPF as assessed in the following sections of this report.

The Manchester Core Strategy Development Plan (2012-2027)

The proposal has been assessed against the following policies of the Core Strategy:

DM 1 – Development Management

All new developments should follow the 'Development Principles' and accord with the design guidance set out in the Supplementary Planning Documents.

The proposal has been assessed against the following issues:

Appropriate siting, layout, scale, form, massing, materials, and detail

The applicant is seeking the erection of single storey rear extension and external wall insulation with render finish to the side and rear elevation together with installation of solar panels to front roof.

The proposal replaces an existing an existing outrigger and conservatory.

The proposal has been sited and designed to ensure that it is subservient to the original dwelling house.

Overall, it is considered that the proposed development has appropriate siting, layout, scale, form, massing, materials, and detail and is therefore in accordance with the development management principle.

Impact on the surrounding areas in terms of the design, scale, and appearance of the proposed development. Development should have regard to the character of the surrounding area.

The proposal is minimally visible from the street scene and therefore has minimal effect on the character of the street.

Visual impacts in connection with the proposed development are not considered to have any significant impacts to the character of the area, and therefore the appearance is acceptable.

On balance, the proposal is considered comparable in terms of size and its position to others found in the immediate area, therefore it is felt that the proposal can be accommodated at the application property and is considered that the proposal would not interfere with the existing characteristics of the area.

The proposal is considered acceptable and detailed as what is normally expected of such a structure. 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 as specified in the application form.

Overall, it is considered that the proposed development has minimal impact on the surrounding areas in terms of the design, scale, and appearance and is therefore in accordance with the development management principle.

Effects on amenity, including privacy, light, noise, vibration, air quality, odours, litter, vermin, birds, road safety and traffic generation.

The proposal adds French doors on the rear elevation facing into the rear gardens of properties on Great Stone Road however, given the existing boundary treatment together with the gap to the shared boundary, the effect on privacy is minimal. It is of note that a existing conservatory has presented no know privacy issues.

The proposal is expected to have a negligible effect on Air Quality.

The proposal in of itself has a negligible effect on local noise levels. It is recognised that demolition and/or construction works are often noisy and obtrusive to the local residential amenity. Contractors are expected to follow best practice to minimise the temporary effect on residents referring to construction guidance on controlling emissions.

The proposal has no effect on road safety and traffic generation and is therefore in accordance with this development management principle.

On balance the proposal has minimal effect on privacy, local light, noise, vibration, air quality, odours, litter, vermin, and birds and is therefore in accordance this development management principle.

Accessibility: buildings and neighbourhoods fully accessible to disabled people, access to new development by sustainable transport modes.

The proposal does not alter the existing access to the premises or create an unnecessary barrier to access and egress.

The proposal is therefore in accordance with this development management principle.

Adequacy of internal accommodation and external amenity space.

The proposal adds internal accommodation to the property whilst having a minimal impact on the amenity of external space and is therefore in accordance with this development management principle.

Refuse storage and collection.

The proposal in of itself has a negligible effect on waste from the site, using existing refuse storage and collection on site. It is recognised that demolition and/or construction works often generate commercial waste. Contractors are expected to follow best practice of waste management.

The proposal is in accordance with this development management principle.

Vehicular access and car parking

The proposal has no effect on the existing vehicle access and car parking at the property and is therefore in accordance with this development management principle.

Effects relating to biodiversity, landscape, archaeological or built heritage

The site is near a potential historical source of landfill gas.

Th applicant has provided detailed plans for the installation of a gas membrane satisfying environmental health concerns.

The proposal does not sit within a Conservation Area or near a designated heritage asset.

On balance the proposal has minimal effect on local biodiversity, landscape, archaeological or built heritage and is therefore in accordance with this development management principle.

Green Infrastructure including open space, both public and private

The dwelling benefits from a garden beyond the siting of the proposed development. As such proposal would have a negligible impact on green infrastructure, with an acceptable balance between the proposed development and retention of the existing green space achieved.

The proposal has negligible impact on green infrastructure and balances development with existing green space.

The proposal is therefore in accordance with this development management principle.

Flood risk and drainage.

The site does not sit in a flood risk area and therefore no flood statement or assessment was required.

The proposal has a negligible impact on drainage using the existing drainage on site.

The proposal is therefore in accordance with this development management principle.

SP 1 - Spatial Principles

This policy outlines the guiding spatial principles and core development principles of Manchester City Council.

Most notably the core development principles highlight development should 'make a positive contribution to neighbourhoods of choice'.

This proposal is considered to accord with the principles of this policy.

EN 1 – Design Principles and Strategic Character Areas

This policy outlines key design principles for development in Manchester most notably that all development in Manchester will be expected to follow the seven principles of urban design.

This proposal sits within the 'Southern Character Area'.

This proposal is considered to accord with the principles of this policy.

EN 8 – Adaption to Climate Change

This policy outlines the key principles of how all new development will be expected to be adaptable to climate change.

The development is considered to accord with the aspirations of this policy.

EN 14 – Flood Risk

This policy outlines the key principles around Flood Risk Management in the city.

The proposal does not sit in a flood risk area.

This proposal is considered to accord with the principles of this policy.

EN 16 – Air Quality

This policy sets out the key principles of air quality management in the city. The policy seeks to improve the air quality within Manchester, and particularly within Air Quality Management Areas, located along Manchester's principal traffic routes and at Manchester Airport.

The proposed development would not give rise to air quality issues when the development is operational.

This proposal is considered to accord with the principles of this policy.

EN 18 - Contaminated Land and Ground Stability

This policy sets out the principle of development on contaminated land or unstable land.

Manchester City Council Environmental Health were consulted on this application due to the in close proximity to a potential historical source of landfill gas.

A condition has been added for the installation of a gas membrane to be approved.

This proposal is considered to accord with the principles of this policy.

EN 19 – Waste

This policy sets out the key principle of waste management in the city. In a district such as Manchester with a significant existing population and a vision for a growing economy and population a key issue is that of ensuring that this does not automatically lead to a proportionate increase in waste arisings.

Existing waste management arrangements would be retained.

The proposal is considered to accord with the principles of this policy.

Extant Unitary Development Plan (UDP)

The Core Strategy replaced much of the UDP, but some UDP policies are extant (remain) and are relevant to this proposal.

DC1 - Residential Extensions

This policy outlines the key issues when considering proposed residential extensions.

This proposal is considered to accord with the principles of this policy.

DC26 - Development and Noise

This policy outlines the key issues to reduce the impact of noise on people living and working in, or visiting, the City.

This proposal is considered to accord with the principles of this policy.

The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)

The National Planning Policy Framework sets out the government's planning policies for England and how these are expected to be applied.

The NPPF has been adhered to and considered at all stages of the application.

Section 4 - Decision-making

Section 4 of the NPPF outlines how local planning authorities should approach decisions on proposed development in a positive and creative way.

Section 4 of the NPPF has been adhered to and considered at all stages of the proposal.

Section 12 - Achieving well-designed places

Section 12 of the NPPF outlines the need to achieve well-designed places.

Section 14 - Meeting the challenge of climate change, flooding and coastal change

Section 12 outlines how the planning system should support the transition to a low carbon future in a changing climate, taking full account of flood risk and coastal change.

This proposal is considered to accord with the principles of these policies.

Other Material Considerations

Other material considerations & policy may be relevant to the proposal as follows:

- [Guide to Development in Manchester Supplementary Planning Document and Planning Guidance \(April 2007\)](#)
- [Manchester Residential Quality Guide \(July 2016\) \(MRQG\)](#)
- [Manchester, Salford, and Trafford Strategic Flood Risk Assessment](#)

- [Manchester City Council Highways Developer Design Guidance – Sustainable Drainage Systems](#)
- [Manchester City Council Planning and Noise Technical Guidance \(2022\)](#)
- [Air Quality & Planning Technical Guidance \(2022\)](#)
- [Planning and Contaminated Land Technical Guidance \(2021\)](#)
- [Greater Manchester Joint Waste Development Plan Document \(GMJWDPD\)](#)
- [Waste Storage and Collection Guidance for New Developments \(2017\)](#)
- [Hot Food Takeaway Supplementary Planning Document \(2017\)](#)
- [Manchester City Council Houses in Multiple Occupation Guidance and Amenity Standards \(2020\)](#)
- [Manual for Streets \(2007\)](#)
- [National design guide & National Model Design Code \(2021\)](#)
- [Outdoor advertisements and signs: a guide for advertisers \(2007\)](#)

Relevant policy and guidance have been considered within Policy DM 1 of the Core Strategy.

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 policies 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.

Conclusion

The proposal is considered acceptable in this location, in terms of design, scale and massing, without unduly detrimentally affecting the amenities of the occupiers of surrounding properties, or the character and appearance of the surrounding street scene, and there are no material considerations of sufficient weight to indicate otherwise. For the above reasons, the proposal is unlikely to have any detrimental impact and therefore accords with the relevant Core Strategy, Extant UDP, NPPF policies and other material considerations.

Recommendation: Approve

Article 35 Declaration

Officers have collaborated with the applicant in a positive and proactive manner. The proposal was assessed with regards to policies outlined in the National Planning Policy Framework, Unitary Development Plan Saved Policies, Local Development Framework Core Strategy Development Plan, and other material considerations. No significant problems have arisen during the consideration of this application.

Condition(s) to be attached to decision for approval

1. 3-year time limit

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. Specified plans

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

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| a. Drawing - Location Plan | 22 Aug 2023 | PL01A | THE LOCATION PLAN |
| b. Drawing - Existing | 01 Aug 2023 | PL02 | PLANS AND ELEVATIONS |
| c. Drawing - Proposed | 01 Aug 2023 | PL03F | PLANS AND ELEVATIONS |
| d. Drawing – Proposed | 20 Sept 2023 | 2334 4 Copley Road | PL04 Proposed Detail 1-10 A3 |
| e. Supporting information | 20 Sept 2023 | bba-00-3668PS1i5-MONARFLEX-GAS-RESISTANT-DAMP-PROOF-MEMBRANES-Reflex-Super | |
| f. Supporting information | 20 | Sept | 2023 |
| UK_MKT_DOC_POR_Porotherm_Monolithic_Guide | | | |

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. Specified materials

The materials to be used on the external surfaces hereby permitted shall match those as specified on the application form 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. Additional glazing restriction

Notwithstanding the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (Amendment) Order 2015, (or any order revoking and re-enacting that Order with or without modification), no additional glazing, windows, or doors, other than those shown on the approved plans, shall be inserted at the property unless Planning Permission is specifically granted.

Reason - In the interests of the amenities of the occupiers of the neighbouring residences, pursuant to policy DM 1 of the Core Strategy for the City of Manchester and saved policy DC1 of the Unitary Development Plan.

5. Flat roof restriction

The flat roof of the extension(s) shall not be used for any other purpose other than as a means of escape in emergency or for maintenance of the building.

Reason - To safeguard the amenities of the adjoining premises for overlooking or perceived overlooking and in accordance with policies SP1 and DM1 of the Core Strategy.

Appendix 1 – List of consultees & neighbours notified

3 Copley Road, Manchester, M21 9WT
 2 Copley Road, Manchester, M21 9WT
 1 Copley Road, Manchester, M21 9WT
 4B Copley Road, Manchester, M21 9WT
 60A Great Stone Road, Manchester, M32 8QR

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
 Susceptible to Surf Water Flood (Less) -

Susceptible to Surf Water Flood (Middle) -

Area Team Boundary - Name: SOUTH AREA