

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 part single, part two storey rear extension and garage conversion with roof over side extension.

Location: 54 Merston Drive, Manchester, M20 5WT

Date of application: 22 January 2026

Application number: 144788/FH/2025

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

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. In this instance officers have worked with the applicant in a positive and proactive manner, guided the applicant through issues arising with the application and appropriate conditions have been attached to the approval granted.

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:
Documents:

-Application Form, received by the City Council as Local Planning Authority on 22 January 2026.

-Arboricultural Impact Assessment (Lally Tree Management, dated 21 January 2026, report ref: 2796_AIA.01), stamped as received by the City Council as Local Planning Authority on 22 January 2026.

-Arboricultural Method Statement (Lally Tree Management, dated 21 January 2026, report ref: 2796_AMS.01), stamped as received by the City Council as Local Planning Authority on 22 January 2026.

Drawings:

-Location Plan, received by the City Council as Local Planning Authority on 16 December 2025.

-Proposed- Elevations and Floor/Roof Plans, numbered IPS/R/54/M205WT REV B, stamped as received by the City Council as Local Planning Authority on 11 March 2026.

Reason - In the interests of the character and appearance of the dwellinghouse and surrounding area, pursuant to policy DC1 of the saved Unitary Development Plan for the City of Manchester, and policy DM1 of the Manchester Core Strategy.

3) The materials used in the external surfaces of the development hereby approved shall be similar in appearance to the existing building in terms of type, size, colour and texture.

Reason - In order to ensure a satisfactory appearance in the interests of visual amenity in accordance with policies SP1 and DM1 of the Core Strategy and the requirements of the National Planning Policy Framework.

4) The window in the ground floor of the northern elevation of the development relating to a bathroom, and the window in the first floor of the eastern elevation of the host property relating to a bathroom hereby approved shall be obscure glazed to a specification of no less than level 5 of the Pilkington Glass Scale or such other alternative equivalent and shall be retained as such thereafter.

Reason - In order to protect the amenity of neighbouring residents and in accordance with policies SP1 and DM1 of the Core Strategy.

5) Notwithstanding the provisions of Schedule 2, Part 1 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 (as amended) (or any order revoking and re-enacting that Order with or without modification), no additional windows, doors or other openings shall be inserted in the ground or first floor of any elevations of the development hereby approved, without planning permission being granted by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason - In the interests of residential amenity, pursuant to policies DM1 and SP1 of the Manchester Core Strategy.

6) Works to trees should be implemented in accordance with the approved details within 'Arboricultural Method Statement (Lally Tree Management, dated 21 January 2026, report ref: 2796_AMS.01)', stamped as received by the City Council as Local Planning Authority on 22 January 2026, including recommendations within sections 3.7 (Supervised Root Pruning and Excavation) and 3.8 (Site Monitoring).

Reason - In order to avoid damage to trees adjacent to the site which are of important amenity value to the area and in order to protect the character of the area, in accordance with policies EN3, EN9 and EN15 of the Core Strategy.

7) In this condition "retained tree" means an existing tree, shrub or hedge which is to be as shown as retained on the approved plans and particulars; and paragraphs (a) and (b) below shall have effect until the expiration of 5 years from the date of the occupation of the building for its permitted use.

(a) No retained tree shall be cut down, uprooted or destroyed, nor shall any retained tree be topped or lopped other than in accordance with the approved plans and particulars, without the written approval of the local planning authority. Any topping or lopping approved shall be carried out in accordance with British Standard BS 5837:2012 (Trees in relation to construction)

(b) If any retained tree is removed, uprooted or destroyed or dies, another tree shall be planted at the same place and that tree shall be of such size and species, and shall be planted at such time, as may be specified in writing by the local planning authority.

(c) The erection of fencing for the protection of any retained tree shall be undertaken in accordance with the approved plans and particulars before any equipment, machinery or materials are brought on to the site for the purposes of the development, and shall be maintained until all equipment, machinery and surplus materials have been removed from the site. Nothing shall be stored or placed in any area fenced in accordance with this condition and the ground levels within those areas shall not be altered, nor shall any excavation be made, without the written consent of the local planning authority.

Reason - In order avoid damage to trees/shrubs adjacent to and within the site which are of important amenity value to the area and in order to protect the character of the area, in accordance with policies EN9 and EN15 of the Core Strategy.

8) The proposed extension hereby approved shall only be used as ancillary accommodation in connection with the existing residential property 54 Merston Drive and for no other purpose.

Reason - In the interests of visual and residential amenity, pursuant to policy SP1 and DM1 Core Strategy for the City of Manchester.

Informatives

This decision relates to the extension or improvement of an existing dwellinghouse, falling within Class C3 of the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 (as amended) and does not infer or imply approval for the use of the property for any other purpose.

Manchester City Council has made an Article 4 Direction to remove permitted development rights that allow for a change of use from Class C3 - *Dwellinghouses* to Class C4 - *House in Multiple Occupation*. This means that from 8 October 2011, planning permission is required for a change of use from a Dwellinghouse to a House in Multiple Occupation. Further information regarding the Article 4 direction can be found on Manchester City Council's website:

www.manchester.gov.uk/info/200074/planning/4847/article_4_direction

If you intend to use the property to which this decision relates for any purpose other than a dwellinghouse, you should first contact Manchester City Council's Planning Service. Failure to obtain any necessary planning permission prior to carrying out a

material change of use or physical development could result in enforcement action being taken, which can have serious implications.

This permission does not grant approval under Building Regulations.

Swift Bricks

If the development can accommodate it, it is requested that consideration is given to the installation of Swift Bricks. Swift bricks must be fitted in accordance to the specifications of BS 42021:2022 - Integral nest boxes.

Property Flood Resilience (PFR) measures

The applicant is advised to incorporate Property Flood Resilience (PFR) measures to a minimum of 150mm above the surface water flood level or a minimum of 600mm above the fluvial flood level.

Environment Agency Flood Warning and Met Office severe weather warnings

It is recommended that all residents/building operators sign up for the Environment Agency Flood Warning service and Met Office severe weather warnings email alert service.

Existing Surface Water Drainage System

If the applicant proposes to re-use the existing surface water drainage system, it is recommended that a full survey of the existing drainage infrastructure is undertaken. Any identified remedial works should be completed and an ongoing maintenance scheme should be established to ensure that the existing drainage system is fit for purpose for the lifetime of the development.

Culvert

MCC records highlight that the underground River Mersey is located within close proximity to the site (approximately 40m to the south of the site), while our records are frequently updated to ensure the highest level of accuracy, the records cannot guarantee 100% accuracy for all culverted assets. Therefore, we would request that the applicant informs the onsite contractor to remain observant and to take the appropriate safety precautions during excavation works. If any major unknown drainage assets are found beneath the site, then further investigation works should take place to identify the asset and MCC Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA) should be contacted immediately. Any alterations to an ordinary watercourse will require consent from MCC LLFA under Land Drainage Act 1991. The developer can apply for land drainage consent (if required) via the following link:

<https://manchester.civicapayforms.co.uk/Sales/LaunchInternet.aspx?saleform=drainage>

Date: 17 March 2026

Signed:



Julie Roscoe
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 12 weeks 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-householder-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.

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 their 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.