

Comments for Planning Application 143445/FO/2025

Application Summary

Application Number: 143445/FO/2025

Address: British Muslim Heritage Centre College Road Manchester M16 8BP

Proposal: Extension of time for further three years for a temporary marquee

Case Officer: Sue Wills

Customer Details

Name: Not Available

Address: Not Available

Comment Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Comment Reasons:

Comment: To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my strong support for the renewal of the planning permission for the marquee at the British Muslim Heritage Centre (BMHC). The marquee is an essential facility that enables the Centre to serve the spiritual, cultural and social needs of the local community. The BMHC is a well-established institution that brings people together through educational, religious and community programmes. The marquee provides necessary additional space for Friday prayers, Taraweeh, funeral services, Eid celebrations and other community welfare activities which cannot be accommodated within the main heritage building due to size limitations. It is particularly crucial during periods of high attendance such as the month of Ramadan and community-wide events.

In addition to its religious use, the marquee supports initiatives that promote mutual understanding, inclusion and civic engagement. These activities contribute positively to the local area and reflect values that align with Manchester City Council's commitment to community cohesion and diversity. The removal of the marquee would restrict these beneficial services and significantly impact the ability of the Centre to meet the needs of thousands of residents.

The BMHC has consistently shown responsibility, cooperation and respect towards local residents while maintaining a positive presence within the neighbourhood. Renewing the marquee's planning permission is essential to ensure this valuable community space continues to support worship, education and engagement for the wider public. For these reasons, I urge the Council to approve the renewal of the marquee planning permission so that the British Muslim Heritage Centre may continue its important work for the benefit of the community.

Yours sincerely,