

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 in support of the planning application for the continued operation of the mosque located at the British Muslim Heritage Centre.

The mosque has become an important community facility that provides value far beyond its role as a place of worship. It supports residents of all backgrounds through community engagement, education, and local cohesion. Importantly, its operation aligns with several key planning objectives commonly recognised by local authorities.

1. Contribution to Local Community Needs

The mosque provides essential services including:

Accessible prayer facilities for local residents

Educational and youth programmes

Community support activities such as counselling, charity drives, and social events

These functions reduce pressure on other local services and promote community wellbeing.

2. Positive Social and Community Impact

The presence of a well-run community facility fosters social inclusion, understanding, and cohesion. The mosque has consistently demonstrated responsible management, transparent communication with neighbours, and a commitment to maintaining a peaceful and respectful environment.

3. Compliance with Planning Considerations

The mosque has taken steps to ensure it meets planning and operational requirements, such as:

Managing visitor flow and minimising disturbance

Providing clear arrangements for parking and transport to avoid congestion

Ensuring noise levels remain low and respectful of neighbouring properties

Keeping the site clean, safe, and well maintained

These measures help ensure that the mosque operates harmoniously within the surrounding area.

4. Support for Local Development Objectives

Retaining well-used community facilities is often a key objective in local development frameworks. The mosque contributes directly to these goals by offering inclusive services and strengthening the social infrastructure of the neighbourhood.

For these reasons, I fully support the application for the mosque to remain open and continue serving the local community. I hope the council will recognise the positive impact the facility has and allow it to operate with permanent or ongoing planning approval.

Kind Regards

