MANCHESTER CITY COUNCIL

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Refusal of Planning Permission

Part 1 – Particulars of the application/development

Proposal:

Erection of conservatory and gazebo to existing hot tub at roof level.

Location:

2A Thorp Road Manchester M40 5BQ

Application reference:

PLA-2026-000856

Applicant:

Mr Haroon Razzaq

Date of application:

09 July 2026

Part 2 – Particulars of decision

Manchester City Council gives notice that the development referred to in Part 1 has been **refused** in accordance with the application and plans submitted for the reasons listed below.

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 proactive manner, but no revised scheme was provided for review. As such, the application is progressed in a timely manner.

Reason(s) for decision

1) The proposed gazebo to existing hot tub at roof level, by reason of its positioning at height, siting, design, and uncertainty of its resultant appearance sitting close to the junction of Thorp Road and Oldham Road, would form an incongruous and alien feature within the street scene and would fail to enhance the character or the appearance of the applicant or area generally. As such the proposal is contrary to the City Council's Planning Policies SP1 and DM1 of the Manchester Core Strategy (2012), saved policy DC1 of the Unitary Development Plan for the City of Manchester (1995), the Guide to Development in Manchester SPD and the National Planning Policy Framework.

2) The submitted front elevation (as existing) does not show the existing railing detailing as can be seen at the site. In addition, a lack of information is supplied in respect of the resultant appearance and proposed materials of the gazebo, as materials only seem to be supplied for the conservatory.

Therefore, given the quality and accuracy of the submitted information, and the uncertainty of the resultant appearance and materials, the City Council is unable to support this application, as it conflicts with the principles set out under the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 (as amended), policies SP1 and DM1 of the Manchester Core Strategy and saved policy DC1 of the Unitary Development Plan for the City of Manchester, and provisions within the NPPF.

Date: 03 September 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 (as amended) 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 this decision. However, if an enforcement notice has been served for the same or very similar development within the previous 2 years, the time limit is:

   - 28 days from the date of the LPA decision if the enforcement notice was served before the decision was made yet not longer than 2 years before the application was made.
   - 28 days from the date the enforcement notice was served if served on or after the date the decision was made (unless this extends the appeal period beyond 12 weeks).

   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 (as amended), namely Sections 70(1) and 72(1) of the Act.

4. If either the local planning authority of 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 his interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of Part VI of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

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 (as amended).

Right of challenge on planning application decision

A third party does not have a right of appeal against a decision on a planning application. Instead, there is a right of challenge (a Judicial Review) which is limited to lawfulness of the procedure that we have taken in coming to that decision.

Any challenge must be based on the following and not the merit of the decision:

- Procedural irregularity
- Irrationality
- Illegality

Any application for permission to bring such a challenge (which is through the High Court) must be made within 6 weeks of the date of the decision being issued.