

DELEGATED REPORT

Report by Tom Beirne	Date of report: 03/07/2025	Ref: 71958/FUL
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Site Visit: 01/07/2025	Site Notice: N/A	Press Date: N/A
Objections: 0	Con Area:	Adv Type: N/A
Reason for Delay: N/A		EIA: NA
		Dec Level: DEL
		Stat Class: HOUS

Proposal: Two storey side extension and part single/part two storey rear extension.

Location: 155 Downham Crescent, Prestwich, Manchester, M25 0BZ

Description

The application relates to a two storey semi-detached property elevated slightly above the detached neighbour at No.157. Single storey extension on the rear with a decked area. The attached property at No.153 has a two storey rear extension along the shared boundary. Rear garden extends up to metrolink tram line.

The proposed first floor extension would project out 3m over the existing single storey extension and run across the rear elevation, projecting out a further 1.8m to the side and run across the width of the rear elevation above the existing single storey extension. The roof would carry over onto the existing roof and form a gable on the rear elevation.

The single storey flat roof extension would project out 3.3m and run across half the width of the rear elevation. The existing decking would remain in situ.

The extensions would accommodate additional family space, including a succah at first floor and an additional bedroom at first floor. Materials to match the existing - red brick and tile.

Relevant Planning History

43895 - First floor extension at rear - Refused 02/03/2005 - Appeal allowed.

Publicity

Immediate neighbours notified by letter dated 09/06/2025. No objections received.

Statutory/Non-Statutory Consultations

N/A

Pre-start Conditions - N/A

Development Plan and Policies

H2/3 Extensions and Alterations

SPD6 Supplementary Planning Document 6: Alterations & Extensions

Issues and Analysis

The following report includes analysis of the merits of the application against the relevant policies of both the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), the adopted Places for Everyone Joint Development Plan Document (PfE) and the saved policies within the adopted Bury Unitary Development Plan (UDP), together with other relevant material planning considerations.

The policies of the UDP that have been used to assess this application are considered to be in accordance with the NPPF and as such are material planning considerations. For simplicity, just the UDP and PfE Policies will be referred to in the report, unless there is a particular matter to highlight arising from the NPPF where it would otherwise be specifically mentioned.

Equality Act 2010: All planning applications are considered in light of the Equality Act 2010 and associated Public Sector Equality Duty, where the Council is required to have due regard for:

The elimination of discrimination, harassment and victimisation;

The advancement of equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and person who do not share it;

The fostering of good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and person who do not share it; which applies to people from the protected equality groups.

Human Rights: All planning applications are considered against the provisions of the Human Rights Act 1998.

Under Article 6 the applicants (and those third parties who have made representations) have the right to a fair hearing and to this end full consideration will be given to their comments.

Article 8 and Protocol 1 of the First Article confer a right to respect private and family life and a right to the protection of property, ie peaceful enjoyment of one's possessions which could include a person's home, and other land and business assets.

In taking account of the Council policy as set out in the Bury Unitary Development Plan 1997 and all material planning considerations, it is concluded on balance that the rights conferred upon the applicant/ objectors/ residents/ other interested party by Article 8 and Article 1 of the First Protocol may be interfered with, since such interference is in accordance with the law and is justified in the public interest. Any restriction of these rights posed by refusal/ approval of the application is legitimate since it is proportionate to the wider benefits of such a decision, is based upon the merits of the proposal, and falls within the margin of discretion afforded to the Council under the Town & Country Planning Acts.

The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 imposes (without prejudice to any other obligation imposed on it) a duty upon the Council to exercise its functions and have due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of its functions on, and the need to do all that it reasonably can to prevent crime and disorder in its area. In so doing and on making planning decisions under the Town and Country Planning Acts, the material Planning considerations shall have due regard to the provisions of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 and its implications in the exercise of its functions.

Visual amenity - The extensions are considered to be in keeping with the design and appearance of the existing house. Set towards the rear of the property, there would be no significant impact on the character of the streetscape. The proposal is acceptable and complies with UDP Policy H2/3 and associated guidance in SPD6 relating to extensions and alterations.

Residential amenity - Given the relationship with the neighbours on either side, the proposal does not raise any serious residential amenity issues. Although the single storey rear extension projects out 3.3m along the shared side boundary with the attached neighbour, the impact on the neighbour, who have a two storey rear extension up to the shared side boundary, is limited and no objection has been received. Given the 'larger homes' legislation, the proposal is considered to be acceptable and complies with UDP Policy H2/3 and associated guidance in SPD6 relating to extensions and alterations.

Parking and Access - The existing access and parking would not be impacted by the proposal and would be acceptable and compliant with UDP Policy H2/3 and associated guidance in SPD6 relating to parking.

Statement in accordance with Article 35(2) Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) (Amendment) Order 2015

The proposal complies with the development plan and would improve the economic, social and environmental conditions of the area. It therefore comprises sustainable development and the Local Planning Authority worked proactively and positively to issue the decision without delay. The Local Planning Authority has therefore implemented the requirement in Paragraph 38 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

Recommendation: Approve with Conditions

Conditions and Reasons:

- 1 The development must be begun not later than three years beginning with the date of this permission.
Reason. Required to be imposed by Section 91 Town & Country Planning Act 1990.
- 2 This decision relates to drawings numbered 001, 002 and 003 and the development shall not be carried out except in accordance with the drawings hereby approved.
Reason. For the avoidance of doubt and to ensure a satisfactory standard of design pursuant to the policies of the Bury Unitary Development Plan and Places for Everyone Joint Development Plan listed.
- 3 The external finishing materials for the proposal hereby approved shall match those of the existing building.
Reason. In the interests of visual amenity and to ensure a satisfactory development pursuant to Policy EN1/2 - Townscape and Built Design of Bury Unitary Development Plan.

<u>Case Officer</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Sign off Officer</u>	<u>Date</u>
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