

Digital Connectivity Statement – Policy JP-C2 Compliance

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1. Introduction

This Digital Connectivity Statement supports the planning application for the construction of a single detached dwelling at 12a Rectory Avenue, Prestwich. It demonstrates full compliance with Policy JP-C2: Digital Connectivity of the Places for Everyone (PfE) Joint Development Plan.

2. Policy Context – JP-C2: Digital Connectivity

Policy JP-C2 requires all new development to be served by high-quality digital infrastructure, including full fibre to the premises (FTTP) connections, supported by appropriate ducting and future-proof installation methods. Development must ensure that gigabit-capable broadband is available to occupants upon completion, unless proven technically infeasible or unviable.

3. FTTP Provision for the Proposed Development

3.1 Site Connectivity Context

Prestwich and the surrounding area benefit from ongoing commercial rollout of gigabit-capable full-fibre networks. Existing network infrastructure is present along Rectory Avenue, enabling connection of the new dwelling to a gigabit-capable fibre provider.

3.2 On-Site FTTP Infrastructure Delivery

The applicant confirms that full fibre to the premises (FTTP) infrastructure will be provided as part of the construction of the dwelling. The installation will include:

- A dedicated underground telecommunications duct from the site boundary to the dwelling.
- An external Customer Splice Point (CSP) fixed to the exterior wall of the house.
- An internal microduct linking the CSP to the Optical Network Terminal (ONT) location.
- Provision of a suitable power supply and router position adjacent to the ONT.

3.3 Technical Compliance

All ducting and installation works will follow Openreach or equivalent Alt-Net provider standards, ensuring compatibility with current and future gigabit-capable networks. The

dwelling will be constructed so that fibre can be installed and activated without additional civil works.

3.4 Availability at First Occupation

The FTTP infrastructure will be in place prior to occupation, enabling a fibre broadband service to be activated immediately once a connection contract is arranged by the future occupier.