

DIGITAL CONNECTIVITY STATEMENT

Proposed Conversion of Existing Dwelling to 3 No. Self-Contained Apartments at 252 Bolton Road, Radcliffe, M26 3GW

1.0 Introduction

This statement has been prepared in support of the proposed conversion of the existing dwelling at 252 Bolton Road, Radcliffe into three self-contained apartments. It demonstrates how the proposal complies with the requirements of Policy JP-C2 (Digital Connectivity) of the Places for Everyone Joint Development Plan.

2.0 Policy Compliance

Policy JP-C2 seeks to ensure that new development is served by high-quality digital infrastructure, enabling residents to benefit from reliable and fast broadband connectivity. The proposal comprises the conversion of an existing building and provides the opportunity to incorporate modern telecommunications infrastructure as part of the refurbishment works. The development will be designed to facilitate connection to a full fibre to the premises (FTTP) broadband network, subject to network availability and technical feasibility.

The applicant will engage with the relevant telecommunications provider during the implementation of the development to ensure that appropriate broadband infrastructure is provided to serve the three apartments. This will enable future occupiers to benefit from high-speed digital connectivity for home working, education, communication and everyday living.

Should full fibre infrastructure not be available at the time of development, the applicant will provide the highest quality broadband connection that is reasonably practicable until such time as a full fibre connection becomes available.

3.0 Conclusion

The proposal supports the objectives of Policy JP-C2 by ensuring that the development is capable of connecting to modern digital infrastructure and facilitating the provision of full fibre broadband where available and technically feasible. The conversion will provide future residents with access to reliable digital connectivity whilst supporting the wider objective of improving digital infrastructure across Greater Manchester. Accordingly, the proposal complies with the requirements of Policy JP-C2.