



Carbon, Energy and Digital Connectivity statement

Ref: DA26029 - 69 -71 Windsor Road

Site address: 69–71 Windsor Road, Prestwich, Manchester, M25 0DB

Date: 29th June 2026

Proposal: Retrospective Change of Use of Ground Floor Premises to Synagogue / Place of Worship

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Application

Proposal: Change of use of ground floor from Office (Class E(g)(i)) to Synagogue (Class F1)

Site Address: 71 Windsor Road, Prestwich, Manchester, M25 0DB

1. Policy JP-S2: Carbon and Energy

Introduction

This statement has been prepared in support of the proposed change of use of the ground floor from Office (Class E(g)(i)) to Synagogue (Class F1) at 69–71 Windsor Road, Prestwich.

The proposal comprises a change of use within an existing building and does not involve any significant external alterations or new-build development. The existing building fabric will be retained, thereby minimising the embodied carbon associated with demolition and reconstruction.

Energy Efficiency

The proposal represents the re-use of an existing building, which is considered a sustainable form of development. The retention and continued use of the existing structure significantly reduces construction-related carbon emissions and material consumption.

The building will continue to operate efficiently through:

- Retention of the existing building fabric;
- Use of energy-efficient lighting throughout the premises;
- Efficient heating controls and energy management systems where appropriate;
- Ongoing maintenance of the building to ensure efficient energy performance.



The proposal does not result in any increase in the building footprint and therefore does not create additional energy demand associated with new construction.

Compliance with Part L Building Regulations

As the proposal relates to a change of use within an existing building, any works requiring Building Regulations approval will be undertaken in accordance with the relevant requirements of Part L of the Building Regulations 2022.

Where applicable, any alterations to services, lighting, insulation or building elements will be designed to meet current energy efficiency standards.

Electric Vehicle Charging

Policy JP-S2 refers to the provision of electric vehicle charging infrastructure for residential development.

The application site is a non-residential place of worship involving the conversion of existing office accommodation and does not comprise new residential development. Consequently, the requirement for one EV charging point per dwelling is not directly applicable to this proposal.

Nevertheless, opportunities for future installation of EV charging infrastructure may be considered should parking arrangements and site constraints permit.

Conclusion

The proposal complies with Policy JP-S2 by:

- Reusing an existing building and reducing embodied carbon;
- Minimising energy demand through retention of the existing structure;
- Ensuring any applicable works comply with Part L Building Regulations 2022;
- Promoting sustainable development through the continued use of an existing building within the urban area.

Accordingly, the proposal is considered to comply with the objectives of Policy JP-S2.

2. Policy JP-C2: Digital Connectivity

Introduction

This statement has been prepared to demonstrate compliance with Policy JP-C2: Digital Connectivity.



The proposal relates to the change of use of an existing ground-floor office premises to a synagogue and does not involve the construction of a new building.

Existing Connectivity

The building is located within an established urban area of Prestwich and benefits from access to existing telecommunications infrastructure and broadband services.

The premises are capable of being connected to modern digital communication networks and internet service providers operating within the locality.

Compliance with Policy JP-C2

The proposal will retain and utilise the existing telecommunications infrastructure serving the building.

Where available and technically feasible, full fibre broadband services will be utilised by the occupiers of the premises. The development will maintain operational internet connectivity and continue to have access to network providers serving the area.

As no new building is proposed, there are no physical constraints that would prevent connection to existing telecommunications infrastructure.

Conclusion

The proposed development complies with Policy JP-C2 by:

- Retaining access to existing telecommunications infrastructure;
- Maintaining operational internet connectivity;
- Supporting access to full fibre broadband services where available and technically feasible;
- Ensuring the continued availability of modern digital communications within the premises.

The proposal is therefore considered to comply with the requirements of Policy JP-C2: Digital Connectivity.