

Application Number:	23/00956/HOUS
Location:	40 Riverstone Bridge, Littleborough, Rochdale, OL15 8JF
Proposal:	Single storey side extension to existing detached garage to facilitate conversion to office space and home gym and alterations to fenestration on the existing front elevation
Applicant:	JOANNE & BARRY DALTON
Case Officer:	Sam Yuen
Recommendation:	Grant subject to conditions

DELEGATION	Applicant a Council Member or officer?	N
	Contrary to previous decision?	N
	Called in by Ward Member?	N

By indicating that the development proposal complies with relevant national and local policy and the 'Guidelines and Standards for Residential Development' Supplementary Planning Document, the planning officer is taking into account the information submitted with the application, any previous relevant applications, observations during any site visit, any comments received in connection with the application and any other considerations which are material to the decision.

Policy

National

National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)
National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG)

Local

Saved Rochdale Unitary Development Plan (UDP) 2006:

G/D/1 Defined Urban Area

Adopted Rochdale Core Strategy (CS) 2016:

P3 Improving Design of New Development
DM1 General Development Requirements
T2 Improving Accessibility
Appendix 5 Schedule of Parking Standards

Supplementary Planning Documents (SPD): Supplementary Planning Document 'Guidelines and Standards for Residential Development' (2016).

Amendments

Amendments were accepted to alter the roof form of the existing garage from a dual-pitched roof to a hipped roof form.

Summary of comments from neighbours, consultees and Planning Panel

Neighbour notifications via letters were sent to surrounding properties. One supporting letter was received.

Highways and Engineering

The loss of the garage would have an impact on the current parking provision for this dwelling. However there appears to be adequate residual parking space on the existing driveway which would meet this Council's parking standards.

The current servicing arrangements for this dwelling would be unaffected by the proposed extension.

If approved the development should not have any impact on road safety or highways capacity.

Highways would raise no objection to this application, and request no specific planning conditions.

Assessment

Design and Visual Amenity: Are the following acceptable?

Impact on street scene, including subservience, terracing and building line	✓
Height and massing	✓
Facing materials and detailing	✓
Roof style	✓
Window proportions	✓
Bin storage	✓
Impact on trees	✓

The proposed outbuilding extension is of a hipped roof form which appears in keeping with existing detached garages and front extensions in the surrounding estate. It also does not project beyond the side elevation of the detached garage of adjacent no. 38 and does not constitute an obtrusive or dominant addition to the street scene.

The design of the proposal is therefore acceptable and accords with Policies DM1 and P3 of the adopted Rochdale Core Strategy, the SPD and the NPPF.

Residential Amenity: Are the following acceptable?

Impact on privacy, light & outlook of neighbours (to sides, rear and front)	✓
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Light and outlook of application property	✓
Remaining garden space of application property	✓

The proposal is therefore acceptable in terms of residential amenity and accords with Policy DM1 of the adopted Rochdale Core Strategy, the SPD and the NPPF.

Highways and Parking: Are the following acceptable?

Impact on highway safety	✓
Parking provision	✓

The proposal is therefore acceptable in terms of highways and parking and accords with Policy T2 and Appendix 5 of the adopted Rochdale Core Strategy and the NPPF.

Recommendation: Grant subject to the following conditions

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 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

2. This permission relates to the following plans:
 - Location Plan – received 04/09/2023
 - Existing and Proposed Site Plan – Drawing No. 23.3207.2 dated 08/2023
 - Existing Floor Plans and Elevations – Drawing No. 23.3207.1 dated 08/2023
 - Proposed Floor Plans and Elevations – Drawing No. 23.3207.SC2.1A received 03/10/2023

and the development shall be carried out in complete accordance with these drawings hereby approved.

Reason: For the avoidance of doubt and to ensure a satisfactory standard of development in accordance with the policies contained within the saved Rochdale Unitary Development Plan, the adopted Rochdale Core Strategy and the National Planning Policy Framework.

3. The materials used in the construction of the exterior of the development hereby permitted shall match those used in the construction of the exterior of the existing building in colour, form, type, size and texture.

Reason: In order to ensure a satisfactory appearance in the interests of visual amenity in accordance with policies P3 and DM1 of the adopted Rochdale Core Strategy and the National Planning Policy Framework.

Article 35 Statement

The Local Planning Authority worked proactively with the applicant to identify various solutions during the application process to ensure that the proposal comprised sustainable development and would improve the economic, social and environmental conditions of the area and would accord with the development plan. These were incorporated into the scheme and/or have been secured by planning condition.

	Date	Officer
Report Completed	27/10/2023	Signed: SY
Authorisation	06/11/2023	Signed: RK

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