

Application Number:	24/00695/HOUS
Location:	3 Walmsley Avenue, Littleborough, Rochdale, OL15 0DZ
Proposal:	Single-storey side and rear extension
Applicant:	Mr Krishen Vohra
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)

Sub-Regional

Places for Everyone Joint Development Plan (PfE)

The Places for Everyone Joint Development Plan was adopted and became part of the statutory development plan for each of the 9 authorities covered by the plan on 21st March 2024. The following policies are relevant:

Policy JP-P1 Sustainable Places

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 made to alter the rearmost chamfered projection roof from a front-gable roof to a flat roof form.

Summary of comments from neighbours, consultees and Planning Panel

Neighbour notifications via letters were sent to surrounding properties. No comments were received.

Highways and Engineering

Highways have no objections to this proposal which is unlikely to impact upon the highway.

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	✓

It is noted the proposed rear extension comprises a chamfered projection which appears irregular and unresolved in its built form. However, given its single-storey form and its siting to the rear of the host dwelling, the extension would not be readily visible from the highway and would not inflict harm to the character of the street scene. Amendments have also been made to alter the rearmost projection to a flat roof form which would reduce its visual impact.

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 16/07/2024
 - Existing and Proposed Site Plan – Drawing No. 2432 01 received 17/09/2024
 - Existing Ground Floor Plan, Side and Rear Elevation and Roof Plan – Drawing No. 2432 02 received 17/09/2024
 - Existing Ground Floor Plan and Roof Plan – Drawing No. 2432 03 received 17/09/2024
 - Proposed Ground Floor Plan, Side and Rear Elevation and Roof Plan – Drawing No. 2432 04 received 17/09/2024
 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, the Places for Everyone Joint Development Plan, 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, Policy JP-P1 of the adopted Places for Everyone Joint Development Plan, 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	23/09/2024	Signed: SY
Authorisation	24/09/2024	Signed: RK

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