

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

## PLANNING PERMISSION GRANTED

APPLICATION REFERENCE: 24/01103/FUL

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| Name and address for correspondence:                                                                   | Applicant name: |
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### **Part 1 - Particulars of Application**

Date of Application: 21 March 2025

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| <b>Proposal:</b> | <b>Subdivision of existing dwelling, together with conversion of existing barn and stables, into three dwellings, alongside alterations to existing elevations, additional fenestration and a proposed single storey rear extension</b> |
| <b>Location:</b> | <b>Dewhirst House , Dewhirst Road, Rochdale, Rochdale, OL12 9TX</b>                                                                                                                                                                     |

### **Part 2 Compliance with Conditions**

It is YOUR responsibility to comply with planning conditions. The Council's Planning Enforcement Team is responsible for investigating alleged breaches of planning control. This includes ensuring that all relevant conditions have been complied with. Effective enforcement is important to:

- Tackle breaches of planning control which would otherwise have unacceptable impact on the amenity of the area
- maintain the integrity of the decision-making process;
- help ensure that public acceptance of the decision-making process is maintained.

Whilst the majority of developers/homeowners do comply with the requirements of planning permissions, there are a number who do not. Where any planning conditions are breached, the Council can take formal enforcement action without further notice. Enforcement action could include such measures as requiring remedial works, cessation of use, or complete demolition and can cause the developer/homeowner unnecessary expense, delay and frustration. In some cases, failure to comply with planning conditions can lead to the loss of the planning permission.

### **Part 3 - Particulars of decision**

The Rochdale Borough Council hereby give notice in pursuance of the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) that planning permission has been **GRANTED SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS** for the carrying out of the development referred to in Part I above.

The Council hereby permits the above development in accordance with the details given on the application form and subject to the following condition(s):

**Conditions and Reasons:**

- 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: sheet 1
- Existing and proposed block plan: sheet 8
- Proposed elevations: sheet 7
- Proposed ground floor and site plan: sheet 5
- Proposed first floor and roof plan: sheet 6
- Preliminary Roost Assessment Report [PRA]: 25\_PRA\_02\_67 (ROAVR, 21/3/2025)
- Heritage Statement Dewhirst House (The Archaeology Co. December 2024)
- Bat Emergence and Re-Entry Survey (Arbtech, 31st July 2025)

and the development shall be carried out in 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 No above ground works shall take place until such time as a detailed specification and/or samples of the stonework and roof coverings to be used externally in the construction of the development have first been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Such details shall include the type, colour and texture of the materials. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the duly approved details thereafter.

Reason: In the interests of ensuring a satisfactory visual appearance to the development and preserving the historical significance of the dwelling, in accordance with Policies P2, P3 and DM1 of the adopted Rochdale Core Strategy, Policies JP-P1 and JP-P2 of the adopted Places for Everyone Joint Development Plan, and the National Planning Policy Framework.

- 4 No above ground works shall take place until full product specifications for the windows, external doors, and detailed designs of the window and door reveals, at a scale of not less than 1:50, to be used on the development hereby approved, have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The windows and doors shall be installed in accordance with the approved details thereafter. For the avoidance of doubt, window frames shall be constructed from aluminium or timber.

Reason: In the interests of ensuring a satisfactory visual appearance to the development and preserving the historical significance of the dwelling, in accordance with Policies P2, P3 and DM1 of the adopted Rochdale Core Strategy, Policies JP-P1 and JP-P2 of the adopted Places for Everyone Joint Development Plan, and the National Planning Policy Framework.

- 5 Prior to the occupation of House 2 and House 3, the former turf and paving stones to the front of House 1 shall be reinstated in accordance with a scheme which has first been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. Such details

will include the type, colour, origin and texture of the surfacing material and method of draining.

Reason: In the interests of ensuring a satisfactory visual appearance to the development and preserving the historical significance of the dwelling, in accordance with Policies P2, P3 and DM1 of the adopted Rochdale Core Strategy, Policies JP-P1 and JP-P2 of the adopted Places for Everyone Joint Development Plan, and the National Planning Policy Framework.

- 6 No development shall take place (including any site clearance, demolition or preparation works) until a Building Record Survey which fulfils the criteria of Level 2 as set out in the Historic England Guidance Document "Understanding Historic Buildings," has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

For the avoidance of doubt, this shall include:

- A drawn record of the building;
- Photography of the interior and exterior of the building; and,
- A written record of the building.

The approved document shall thereafter be submitted for inclusion within the Historic Environment Record and to the relevant Local Studies Centre.

Reason: To record and advance understanding of the significance of the buildings to be altered and to make this evidence (and any archive generated) publicly accessible, in accordance with the requirements of Core Strategy Policy P2, JP-P2 of the adopted Places for Everyone Joint Development Plan, and the National Planning Policy Framework.

Reason for pre-commencement condition: As the proposals require the alteration of the existing buildings, it is necessary to record and understand the significance of such buildings before the development commences.

#### **Procedure 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 Decision Issued                      29 August 2025

Melanie Hale  
Head of Planning Services

#### **IMPORTANT**

PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU HAVE READ AND FULLY UNDERSTOOD THE CONTENTS OF THIS DECISION NOTICE. YOUR ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO THE ATTACHED NOTES.

#### **INFORMATIVE:**

The Local Planning Authority's reasons for its decision are set out in the accompanying officer's report.

#### **INFORMATIVE:**

The applicant is reminded of the need to submit and obtain formal approval of those details required by the conditions of this planning permission before development may lawfully commence on the site. The formal discharge of a planning condition is currently subject to payment of an additional fee per request: [Fees for Planning Applications in England](#)

INFORMATIVE:

The proposed development lies within an area that has been defined by the Mining Remediation Authority as containing coal mining features at surface or shallow depth. These features may include: mine entries (shafts and adits); shallow coal workings; geological features (fissures and break lines); mine gas and former surface mining sites. Although such features are seldom readily visible, they can often be present and problems can occur, particularly as a result of new development taking place.

Any form of development over or within the influencing distance of a mine entry can be dangerous and raises significant land stability and public safety risks. As a general precautionary principle, the Mining Remediation Authority considers that the building over or within the influencing distance of a mine entry should be avoided. In exceptional circumstance where this is unavoidable, expert advice must be sought to ensure a suitable engineering design which takes account of all relevant safety and environmental risk factors, including mine gas and mine-water. Your attention is drawn to the Mining Remediation Authority Policy in relation to new development and mine entries available at:

Building on or within the influencing distance of mine entries - GOV.UK

Any intrusive activities which disturb or enter any coal seams, coal mine workings or coal mine entries (shafts and adits) requires a Mining Remediation Authority Permit. Such activities could include site investigation boreholes, excavations for foundations, piling activities, other ground works and any subsequent treatment of coal mine workings and coal mine entries for ground stability purposes. Application forms for Mining Remediation Authority permission and further guidance can be obtained from The Mining Remediation Authority's website at:

[www.gov.uk/get-a-permit-to-deal-with-a-coal-mine-on-your-property](http://www.gov.uk/get-a-permit-to-deal-with-a-coal-mine-on-your-property)

What is a permit and how to get one? - GOV.UK ([www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)) In areas where shallow coal seams are present caution should be taken when carrying out any on site burning or heat focused activities.

If any future development has the potential to encounter coal seams which require excavating, for example excavation of building foundations, service trenches, development platforms, earthworks, non-coal mineral operations, an Incidental Coal Agreement will be required. Further information regarding Incidental Coal Agreements can be found here -

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/incidental-coal-agreement/guidance-notes-for-applicants-for-incidental-coal-agreements>

If any coal mining features are unexpectedly encountered during development, this should be reported immediately to the Mining Remediation Authority on 0800 288 4242. Further information is available on the Mining Remediation Authority website at: Mining Remediation Authority - GOV.UK

INFORMATIVE:

The applicant is advised that the supply and delivery of refuse containers (including all wheelie bins and food waste caddies) for residential developments is chargeable and the responsibility for these charges rests with the applicant/developer. The cost is based on a variable rate per property depending on the property size and number of bedrooms. Please contact [environmental.management@rochdale.gov.uk](mailto:environmental.management@rochdale.gov.uk) for a quotation for your development.

INFORMATIVE:

If the development hereby approved does not commence before 30th April 2027, the applicant is strongly advised to reassess the building for bat roosting potential with the findings supplied to and agreed in writing by the LPA.

Whilst the buildings to be converted have been found to be very low risk for bats, the applicant is reminded that under the 2019 Regulations it is an offence to disturb, harm or kill bats. If a bat is found all work should cease immediately and a suitably licensed bat worker employed to assess how best to safeguard the bat(s).