Manchester City Council made an Article 4(1) Direction on 7th October 2010, under Article 4 (1) of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995, as amended. The Direction relates to development comprising change of use from a use falling within Class C3 (dwellinghouses) of the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1987 (as amended) to a use falling within Class C4 (houses in multiple occupation) of that Order, and removes permitted development rights for this type of development from the date when the Direction comes into force. Planning permission will therefore be required for change of use from Class C3 to Class C4 once the Article 4 Direction is in force.

The City Council consulted on the Article 4 Direction from 8th-29th October 2010 and has now considered representations received during this period. The City Council confirmed the Direction on 17th January 2011 and it will come into force on 8th October 2011.

The Article 4 Direction applies to the whole of the Manchester City Council area. A copy of the Direction, including a map defining the area covered, can be viewed at the City Council’s Customer Service Centre, Ground Floor, One First Street, Manchester; or can be viewed on the Council’s website at http://www.manchester.gov.uk/info/608/development_control

Dated Tuesday 18th January 2011