Revised plans for £250m water park unveiled as opening pushed back to 2025

Revised plans for a £250m water park in Manchester are set to be submitted as the expected completion date was pushed back to 2025.

Therme Group is working with Peel L&P on the project earmarked for TraffordCity which had previously been backed by Trafford Council in March 2020.

The scheme had been due to open next year and feature a waterpark, thermal bathing, a wellbeing spa, "immersive" digital art, an on-site urban farm and botanical gardens.

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The updated plans include a green 'vertical forest' multistorey car park to be located at Peel L&P's Trafford Palazzo as well as an all-season urban beach and waterslides surrounded by plants.

There would also be a snow room, multi-sensory showers, oxygen rooms and a visitor and education centre.

Therme is aiming to submit a revised planning application in the summer.

➤ How Therme Manchester is set to look (Image: Therme) Stelian Iacob, senior vice president of Therme Group and CEO of Therme Group UK, said: "The Covid period gave us the opportunity to update the design of Therme Manchester to create an even more sustainable, engaging and accessible experience with profound health and wellbeing benefits for all.

"We will continue to work with the Manchester community as we progress with the design and development."

James Whittaker, executive director of Development at Peel L&P, added: "We are proud to be working in partnership with Therme Group to develop this exceptional wellbeing resort in TraffordCity.

"Therme Manchester will lead the way in health and wellbeing and with the updated plans now including the UK's first allseason urban beach and the world's first living waterslides, we are excited to continue working with Therme Manchester to deliver this innovative health and wellbeing experience in TraffordCity, the UK's foremost retail, leisure and commercial destination."

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