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Dear Sir or Madam

DRAFT SITES AND POLICIES PLAN AND DRAFT POLICIES MAP – SUBMISSION DRAFT PRIORY RETAIL PARK, COLLIERS WOOD, LONDON, SW19 2PP KAMES CAPITAL

We write on behalf of our client Kames Capital, the owners of the Priory Retail Park in Colliers Wood, in relation to Draft Sites and Policies Plan, and Draft Policies Map Submission Draft (July 2013). The Priory Retail Park forms part of the wider shopping offer of Colliers Wood and is an established retail destination in South West London.

The London Borough of Merton's adopted Core Strategy (July 2011) seeks to promote Colliers Wood as a 'district centre' in the London Plan hierarchy of centres. We support the Council's approach and formal designation of Colliers Wood as a district centre.

Policy DM R1 of the Sites and Policies Plan seeks to seeks to maintain the viability of Merton's defined town centres. The Policy confirms that the Borough's town centres are an appropriate location for small, large, and major town centre type uses, including retail development. We support the aspirations of Policy DM R1 of the Sites and Policies Plan.

The Policies Map (Submission Version) details the location and extent of the Borough's district centres, including Colliers Wood. We support the Colliers Wood District Centre boundary as set out on the Policies Map and Policies Map Town Centre Inset.

We would be grateful if the Council could keep us up to date on the progression of the Site and Policies Plan and Policies Map.

If you require any additional information please do not hesitate to contact Raymond Tutty or Tim Price at these offices.

Yours faithfully

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