Merton Council self build register

Please complete this form to apply for entry onto Merton’s Self Build Register

Please submit this form to:

[future.merton@merton.gov.uk](mailto:future.merton@merton.gov.uk) with “**Self build register application**” in the title of the email

Or by post to:

Merton’s Self Build Register  
FutureMerton  
London Borough of Merton  
Merton Civic Centre  
London Road  
Morden SM4 5DX

Some of the questions are mandatory and must be completed in order for your application to be considered. These are identified by an asterisk \*

Your information will be used to establish the scope and nature of the need for custom / self build housing within the London Borough of Merton and with the delivery of custom / self build housing projects.

In accordance with government regulations, the council may:

* Introduce an annual fee for entry onto the register
* set a criterion whereby only individuals who can demonstrate that they have sufficient resources to purchase land for their own self-build and custom housebuilding projects

If the council decides to do either of the above, we will publish this on the council’s website and notify those affected.

Once we have received your completed form we will:

1. Determine your application within 28 days of receiving it
2. If the application is eligible, we will make an entry onto Merton’s Self Build Register and let you know that this has been done in writing within 28 days of determining the application. If the application is from an association, we will only notify the lead contact as identified in the application
3. If the application is not eligible, we will write to you (or the lead member of the association) to explain the reasons within 28 days of determining the application.

If you would like to be removed from Merton’s Self Build Register, please notify the council in writing

# M.1 Meeting the criteria\*

To apply to be on Merton’s self-build register you and every member of an association of individuals must be:

* aged 18 or older
* a British citizen, a national of an EEA country (other than the United Kingdom), or a national of Switzerland; and
* seeking (either alone or with others) to acquire a serviced plot of land within the borough's boundaries to build a house to occupy as that individual’s sole or main residence.

**M1a** Please tick to confirm that you meet all the above criteria

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| **M1b Are you applying to be on the self-build housing register as:** | (*please tick one)* |
| * An individual? |  |
| * An association of individuals (this can include any group of people, e.g. couples or two or more member of the same household)? |  |

# M2 Local connection to Merton\*

To join Part 1 of Merton’s Register you must have a local connection to Merton

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| **You may have a local connection if:** | (*please tick one or more)* |
| * **You have lived in the borough for six out of the last 12 months** |  |
| * **You have permanent employment in the borough;** |  |
| * **You have a close relative who has lived in the borough for the last five years (e.g. mother, father, sister, brother, son or daughter).** |  |

# M.3 Your personal details\*

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| **Title** |  |
| **First name** |  |
| **Surname** |  |
| **Address** |  |
| **Postcode** |  |
| **Email** |  |
| **Contact telephone** |  |
| **Age** |  |

# M.4 Are you part of a group?\*

If so, please give the contact details of the group’s main contact. Otherwise skip the question.

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| **I am the group’s lead contact** | *(if you are the group’s main contact, please tick this box and you do not need to fill in the rest of this table)* |
| **Group lead contact Title** |  |
| **Group lead contact First name** |  |
| **Group lead contact Surname** |  |
| **Group lead contact Address** |  |
| **Group lead contact Postcode** |  |
| **Group lead contact Email** |  |
| **Contact telephone** |  |
| **Age** |  |

# Optional information

This information will help us in planning for self-build and custom housebuilding plots in Merton and in matching those on the register with opportunities that might arise.

## M.5 What is your Number One reason for building your own home in Merton?

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| **I want to physically build my own home** |  |
| **I want a home built to my own design and specification** |  |
| **I want a home that I can afford to buy** |  |
| **I want to be part of building a community** |  |
| **I want a property that is better for the environment with low running costs** |  |
| **I want a home in a particular location** |  |
| *(if you have a particular area or location in Merton that you would like to build your own home, please tell us here)* | |

## M. 6 What type of site would you consider for your self build plot in Merton?

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| **A site for a single self-build plot** |  |
| **A plot on a wider self-build scheme** |  |
| **A self-build plot as part of a wider “mainstream” housing development** |  |
| **Other *(please specify below)*** | |

# M.7 What size of site would you consider for your self build plot in Merton?

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| **Single home** |  |
| **Small development (2-9 homes)** |  |
| **Medium development 10-40 homes** |  |
| **Large development**  **+40 homes** |  |

## M.8 What kind of home are you intending to build?

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| **Detached** |  |
| **Semi-detached** |  |
| **Terraced** |  |
| **Apartment** |  |

## M.9 What size of home are you intending to build?

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| **How many bedrooms would you realistically need?** |  |
| **How many adults (aged 18 or over) do you expect to live in the home with you?** |  |
| **How many children (aged under 18) do you expect to live in the home with you?** |  |

## M.10 Areas of interest in self build and custom housebuilding

In addition to Merton, are you interested in building a home within another local authority area in England and Wales?

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| **If yes, please give the name of the other local authority area** |  |

# M.11 Financing your project

It is important to note that if a landowner in Merton decide to provide serviced plots of land for self build and custom housebuilding projects, it is likely that you will need access to funding to do some or all of the following:

* Purchase the site
* Design your new home
* Seek planning permission and comply with any other regulations (e.g. building control)
* Build your own home

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| **Are you a first time buyer? (yes or no)** |  |
| **Would you consider a part-ownership scheme for your home? (yes or no)** |  |
| **How much funding could you bring to your project?** |  |
| **What value mortgage do you expect to realistically afford, if any?** |  |
| **What is your household income?** |  |

## M.12 How did you hear about Merton’s Self Build Register?

# M.13 Any other information

Please include any other information that you would like us to consider that does not appear elsewhere in the questionnaire.