Dear Resident/Business

As you may be aware, following the adoption of Baltic Close by the Council in August 2015, the Council undertook a statutory consultation for the proposed pedestrianisation of Baltic Close during October 2015. This leaflet is to update you of the outcome of the consultation and to inform you of the Council’s decision on the proposal.

A number of representations were received by residents. These representations along with officer’s recommendations were reported to the Cabinet Member for a final decision. All comments have been considered and some amendments have been made to the proposed layout of Baltic Close to accommodate some of the feedback received.

Baltic Close will now include two disabled parking bays. Residents of Baltic Close will also be able to park in the more convenient CW Controlled Parking Zone (excluding Valley Gardens, North Gardens and South Gardens), rather than CW1 as originally proposed. A separate statutory consultation will be carried out to make the appropriate amendment to the existing Controlled Parking Zone Order and to introduce the disabled parking bays.

The pedestrianisation was formally approved by Councillor Andrew Judge, the Cabinet Member for Environmental Sustainability and Regeneration, on 26th November 2015. The decision, full report and plan can be viewed on the Connecting Colliers Wood webpage at:

www.merton.gov.uk/connectingcollierswood

What Happens Next

The Traffic Management Orders to pedestrianise Baltic Close; for the implementation of the disabled parking bays; Amendments to the existing Controlled Parking Zone Traffic Management Order to allow you to park within CW Zone; and temporary restrictions which allows the works to be carried out will be published in the London Gazette and the local newspaper shortly. Notices will also be placed on lamp columns in the affected area.

The information pack on how to apply for permits is contained within the envelope accompanied with this newsletter. This can also be found on the Council’s Residents Parking Permits webpage at http://www.merton.gov.uk/residentparkingpermits.htm#apply.

As of 4th January 2016 there will be no vehicular access into Baltic Close. To facilitate your parking needs you need to apply for a Parking Permit that will allow you to park in zone CW. However, please note that you WILL NOT be permitted to park in Valley Gardens, North Gardens and South Gardens. CW zone operates Monday-Friday 8.30am - 6.30pm. After these times parking is free. You are encouraged to apply for your permits as soon as possible and no later than 5th January 2016.

Meanwhile you are provided with a temporary parking permit (yellow card) that must be displayed in your vehicle whilst you are parked in zone CW. This permit is only valid from 4th January 2016 and expires on 15th January at midnight. It is considered that sufficient time is being provided for you to apply for a permit and for Parking Services to process and issue your permit. Failure to apply for your permit before 5th January will incur an additional fee of £25. This additional fee will not apply to visitor permits.

The Council is conscious of the inconvenience and the disruption that this work may cause and will endeavour to keep the impact to a minimum. We apologise in advance for any inconvenience that may be cause by these works. Please see overleaf for details of the schedule of works.

Finally we would like to thank you for your participation in the consultation process and for your feedback. If you require any further information please email trafficandhighways@merton.gov.uk and quote reference Baltic Close.
Date and Time of Works

Following the Council’s decision to introduce the proposed pedestrianisation and changes to CW Controlled Parking Zone, I am writing to inform you that the works will start during the week commencing 4th January 2016 and likely to be completed end of March 2016. It will be carried out by F M Conway Ltd on behalf of the Council.

The construction of the new footway and carriageway will be carried out in sections starting at the park entrance this will be completed by the middle of March, when the final installation of street features including cycle stands, planting and seating will take place being completed by 31st March.

Due to the nature of the works, vehicular access will not be permitted. Pedestrian access will be maintained at all times.

You can park in the existing CW Controlled Parking Zone and display the yellow cards provided (only use the cards on the dates shown on the card) on the dashboard of your vehicle. Offending vehicles run the risk of receiving a PCN and relocation. After the expiratory date on the card, you must display a valid Permit for the CW zone. Please refer to the permit application package.

For further information please note the following contact details:

FM Conway Ltd: Lee Fuller, 0208 636 8822 / 0755 445 7133
Merton Council: Martin Smith (on site works), 0208 545 3136
Merton Council: Paul Garrett (design)

Colliers Wood CPZ - Zone CW: Streets within which you may park with a valid permit:

Acre Road, Alphea Close, Birdhurst Road, Boundary Road, Boyd Road, Briscoe Road, Byegrove Road, Carter Road, Cavendish Road, Chesham Road, Christchurch Close, Clarendon Road, Clive Road, College Road, Colwood Gardens, Courtney Road, Daniel Close, Defoe Close, Denison Road, Devonshire Road, Dinton Road, East Gardens, Fortescue Road, Harewood Road, Kimble Road, Lyveden Road, Marlborough Close, Marlborough Road, Miller Road, Norfolk Road, Park Road, Robinson Road, Rutland Road, South Road, University Road, Walpole Road, Warren Road, Waterfall Road, Waterfall Cottages, West Gardens, Wilton Road.