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Dear Resident,

As you may be aware there have been some major investment in Colliers Wood and as part of these improvements, the Council has now formally adopted Baltic Close as public highway and proposes to make extensive improvements to the space. The proposals include the creation of a home-zone street, with new landscaping and lighting. This will enhance the environment for residents, visitors and create an important landscaped link between Wandle Park and Colliers Wood station.

Baltic Close will be designated as a Pedestrianised zone constructed in high quality material, accommodating new trees, rain garden style planters, William Morris benches and much needed additional cycle parking. An artist's impression and a plan of proposed design indicates the proposed improvements.

Baltic Close will primarily be for pedestrian use, creating a new urban space away from the noisy High Street. The layout intends to enhance the visibility of the entrance to Wandle Park and improve pedestrian links to the High Street to increase accessibility and use of open space for the local community. There will be no motorised traffic permitted other than delivery vehicles, refuse vehicles and Emergency Services. The legal definition is that a Goods Vehicle means a motor vehicle constructed or adapted for use for the carriage of goods. As a rule, this does not allow entry to the Zone by a saloon / estate / private car. However, deliveries by these vehicles will be permitted in Baltic Close, but parking will not be permitted.

To accommodate the parking needs of the residents, it is proposed to allow residents to park in Wandle Bank which is a short walk away. Due to capacity issues you cannot be permitted to park in Zone CW. It should be noted that if you opt to park within this zone you are required to purchase a permit. The information regarding the operation of a CPZ and parking permits is attached with the attached leaflet. It should be noted that you will only be permitted to park in Wandle Bank and no other roads within the CPZ.

The restrictions do not apply to the emergency services as long as they are entering the Zone to attend to an emergency situation. Additionally the restrictions do not apply to those vehicles making deliveries to the Public House. These vehicles, however, will not be permitted to park in Baltic Close.

The Council is mindful of the needs of our vulnerable residents and we are therefore asking all blue badge holders who drive, own a vehicle and are registered to Baltic Close to contact the Council trafficandhighways@merton.gov.uk by **16th October 2015**. It is important to note all these criteria must be met for the Council to be able to consider a disabled parking bay in Baltic Close. Every effort will be made to facilitate the need for a disabled parking bay but this cannot be guaranteed.

The works are provisionally programmed for **November 2015** but you will receive a letter detailing the exact starting date. The Council believes that the proposed improvements will make for a more pleasant and safer environment for residents and pedestrians.

Further details are online at
www.merton.gov.uk/connectingcollierswood

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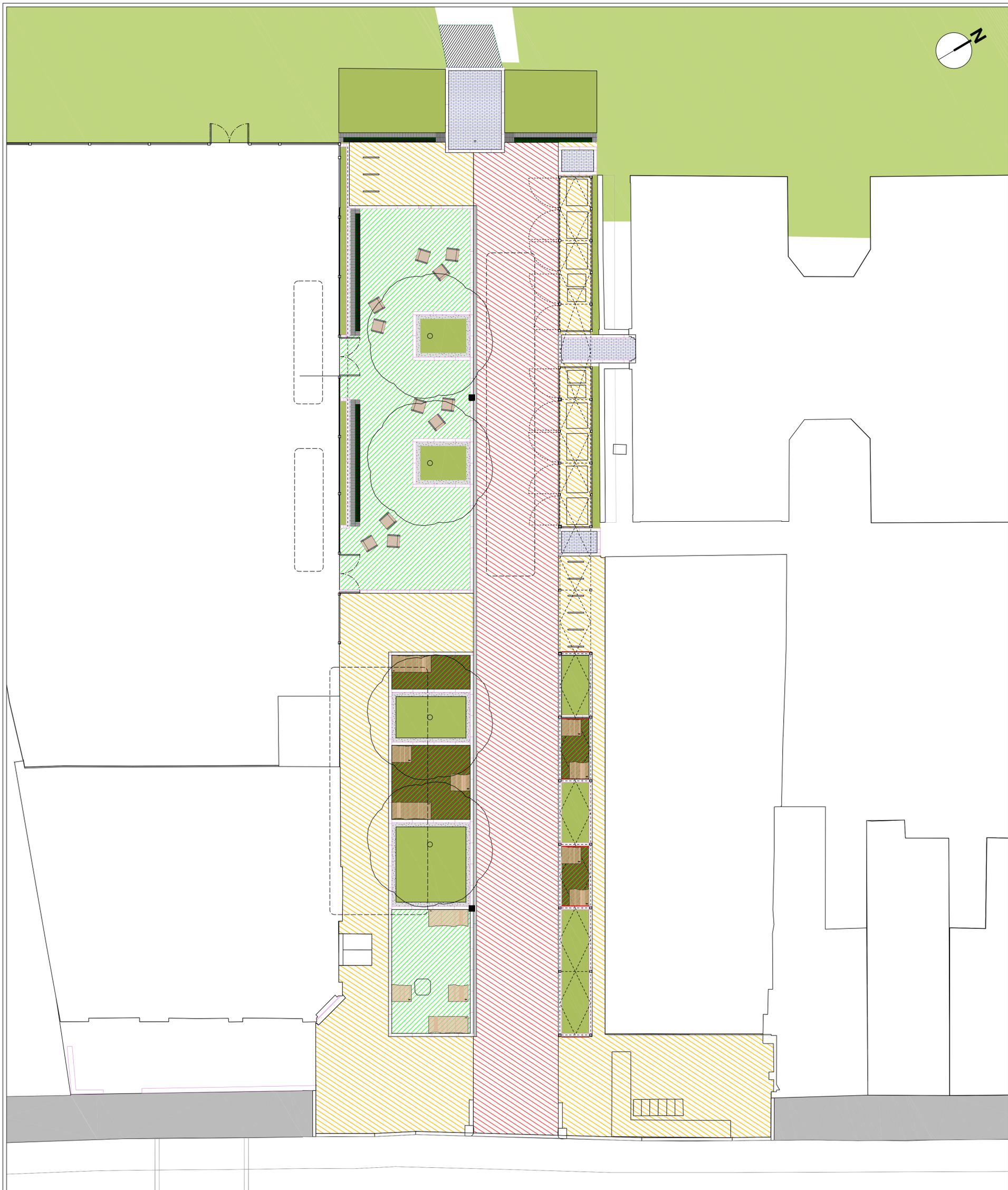
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Key

-  Enhanced paving (Vehicular)
-  Enhanced paving (Pedestrian)
-  Kerb Stone
-  Granite Cobbles

-  Ceramic Glazed Brick Slip
-  Rain Garden finish
-  Enhanced Paving
-  Timber and metal seat
-  Bespoke Timber bench

-  Bike stands
-  Column light
-  LED Strip light
-  New planting
-  Make good existing finished



N.B THIS IS ONLY INDICATIVE OF THE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS