

A **Local Plan** is the legal document prepared by the council to guide planning applications for an area. It sets out what can and cannot be built there. It provides a detailed guide to where homes, businesses, streets and shops should be, what the area should look and feel like (for example, building locations and heights, amount of open space, footpaths); and what other services are necessary (for example, playgrounds, cycle parking) to make a place work well.

We want to find out what options you think the Local Plan should cover. We also want to know if you think there are other options that should be addressed. We want to ensure that all feasible options are tested and considered in developing the Local Plan. This is why we are asking for your opinions before starting to draft the Local Plan.

A questionnaire and more information can be found on the council's website:
www.merton.gov.uk/estatesplan

Alternatively please e-mail estatesplan@merton.gov.uk or call 020 8545 3693 with your contact details and we can send you a paper questionnaire.

Please return your questionnaire to at the above address by **28 October 2014**

If you have any queries regarding the council's consultation or the questionnaire, please contact the Future Merton Team at Merton Civic Centre, London Road, Morden, SM4 5DX or telephone 0208 545 3693.

Next steps

Your feedback will be considered by democratically elected councillors, who will decide whether or not to move to the next stage of the Local Plan. Everybody's feedback will be published on the council's website, with all confidential contact details removed.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

Future Merton team.
Merton Council

Will you be building on open land, where people can walk freely - no the answer.

Build on buildings that already been built.

You will destroy our Green fields.

Yours sincerely