

Future Merton, 9th Floor London Borough of Merton Merton Civic Centre Morden Surrey SM4 5DX

15th December 2018

Dear Sirs,

This letter is to convey my concern regarding suggested increase in building heights in Wimbledon Town Centre.

Having read through the Future Wimbledon MasterPlan Consultation Draft October 2018, I understand the need to expand and Developers needing increased density and building heights, but please explore another route, perhaps by developing some brown field areas around Merton but again not with high rise as this is not acceptable or healthy for those living nearby. I am totally against high rise unless they are in a purpose built town and not Wimbledon which is an historic and residential town, both vibrant and welcoming by day and by night.

To input tower blocks would transform Wimbledon into a cold concrete ghetto, similar to Croydon and some parts of The City and Canary Wharf. Having visited these areas, they are cold and gloomy, with few people, no sunlight, no life. The impact of tower blocks is detrimental to the Street scene and to residents both near and far as the sun moves around casting giant shadows over us all.

I can only hope that The Council will preserve the Wimbledon we all know and love and not increase building heights at all.

Yours faithfully,

S. Murray