3rd January, 2019

Future Merton,
London Borough of Merton,

Dear Sirs,

New Local Plan - Buntingford Road - Tesco.

I object to the inclusion in the New Local Plan of site R.P.3 Buntingford Road - Tesco as being unsuitable for development.

The Tesco Extra store is used by the local community and others in southwest London and its closure would be a retrograde step. Merton Council purports to support businesses in the Borough and should therefore be advocating the retention of this store rather than permitting its sale (and the remainder of the site) to developers.

Any proposal to build tower blocks residential apartments on this site should be resisted. This would represent an over-intensive development in a residential area.
and would contribute to an increased volume of traffic in Bemington Road and even more congestion at the West Barnes level crossing.

The Tesco car park is frequently fully occupied and the lack of car parking spaces would result in customers parking in nearby residential streets.

The proposals outlined in the draft new local plan ought to have been discussed with the local Residents' Association and ward councillors before publication.

Officer do not run the council - our elected representatives do!

Yours faithfully,