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From:

Sent: 07 November 2018 22:13

To: Future Merton <Future.Merton@merton.gov.uk>

Subject: Morden Town Centre N3.3

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- 1) There needs to be sufficient short term parking for local shoppers - otherwise they will go to other supermarkets where there is parking such as Savacentre or Tesco on A3. Currently, we do our big weekly shop at Sainsbury's and would like to continue to do this. It is a friendly helpful store.
- 2) New flats should not be too high - currently the suggestion is 8 storeys - I would prefer them lower than that - there should be nice open space around them with space to sit out.
- 3) Encourage new businesses/ restaurants by lower rates
- 4) There also needs to be some parking for at least some of the new 2000 + residential properties - it is unrealistic to expect people to use public transport all the time when they have families
- 5) I am concerned re the impact on public transport - especially the northern line which is overcrowded most of the day - and impossible to board at some stations further north in the rush hour. Already trains leave every 2 minutes - can London Transport run more trains than that?
- 6) I am concerned re the impact on local schools - Poplar is already a 3 form entry which is already (in my view) too big for a primary school.
- 7) An improved health centre would be welcome
- 8) It is important for traffic to go through Morden Town Centre somehow - or there will be an increasing rat run through Merton park and residential streets in Morden
- 9) Greater emphasis needs to go on tree planting and street cleaning in the centre
- 10) It would be good to improve the connection between Town Centre and Morden hall park - better signage - and perhaps part of the wooden fence on the park opposite the Medical Centre could be removed and replaced by iron railings so more people are aware of the park .

Thank you

Resident since 1983 and Chair of Cranleigh Tennis & Social Club

Thank you - there was one other request - can trees be planted on roadside in section between Morden Baptist Church & Civic Centre please as well as the proposed plaza area outside station? Currently there are none at all on the TFL section .

On 08/11/2018 09:59, Future Merton wrote:

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> Thank you for your response and interest in the draft Merton Local Plan.

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> Responses to the Local Plan will be uploaded online with contact details removed.

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> The consultation will be running until 6th January 2019, after which we will be collating and responding to all responses. You will hear from us again in late January 2019 but if you have any questions in the meantime please don't hesitate to contact us.

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> Kind regards,

> Future Merton Team

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