

experience the restrictions thereby allowing them to make informed comments.

The restrictions and the Order will be in place for a maximum of 18 months. Anyone can object and make representations within the first six months (the statutory/formal consultation period) of the Experimental Order coming into force and the implementation of the works. Consultees (mainly residents) are encouraged to make their comments at least one month after implementation. Consultees will have 6 months to respond to the consultation. The consultation will close on 30th July 2021. All representations will be considered prior to making a final decision which could include its removal, making some modifications or making it permanent.

Additional notices will also be erected within the vicinity of the school to inform residents and road users of the start of the restrictions and the statutory consultation.

All available information including updates will be posted on the website.

<https://www.merton.gov.uk/covid-19-transport-projects>

All representations must be made online using the above link. Please note that a response will not be made until the consultation is concluded and a final decision is made. The Council will monitor the situation and will make the appropriate adjustments if and when necessary. If you do not have access to a computer, please post your written representation to London Borough of Merton, Future Merton, London Road, Morden, SM4 5DX. Please use reference School Street-Singlegate.

### TO APPLY FOR EXEMPTIONS

Exemptions will be given to residents, teachers and special needs children. Residents and teachers MUST register with the Council to qualify for the exemption. Registered Carers visiting residents who live in the road will also be exempt if their registration are logged with the Council. However, we respectfully request

that, if possible, visitors arrange their visits outside the restricted hours.

The quickest and easiest way to apply for School Street exemption is to use our self-service website. Parking Services will write to you in early January 2021 with instructions on how to register your vehicles for an exemption. To allow sufficient time to register, there will be a period of 4 weeks after you receive your letter and before any enforcement takes place. We strongly suggest that you register for your exemption as soon as you receive your letter from Parking services.

### ENFORCEMENT

During the restricted periods, enforcement will be carried out using an ANPR camera. Although the scheme comes in to effect on 18th January 2021, enforcement will not start until 4 weeks after you receive your Exemption Registration letter from Parking Services.

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## SCHOOL STREETS Restricted Vehicular access Singlegate Primary School



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### INTRODUCTION

As part of the Council's objective to reduce congestion, pollution, risk of collision and provide a safe environment within the vicinity of schools, the Council has a rolling road safety and accessibility programme. Measures that are often implemented include 'school keep clear' zig-zag road markings to prevent drivers parking close to the school gates and to improve sightlines; localised 20mph speed zones with accompanying traffic calming measures and road safety education. These measures have been very successful in most areas, as there has been an improvement in perception of safety. Although these measures have been successful in ensuring access and safety, the level of congestion, risk and air quality outside the schools remain a concern. The contributing factor is the high localised volume of vehicular traffic within the vicinity of schools often generated by parents / carers of pupils attending the school.

### PROPOSAL

To improve safety, active travel and air quality, and in response to Covid-19 pandemic, in partnership with TfL, the Council intends to restrict motorised access in to South Gardens via Christchurch Road. This restriction will apply Mon-Fri 8.00 - 9.15am and 2.00-3.15pm school term times only. This is being introduced under an Experimental Traffic Management Order (ETMO). During these periods, the road will be predominately 'pedestrian and cycle only' zone. Residents who live in the affected roads will be allowed access as will staff who are based at the school; those with special needs children who need to be driven to school would also be exempt. Those who may be eligible for an exemption must register with the Council. Exemptions would be subject to meeting the appropriate criteria. A letter detailing the exemption process will be sent to you by Parking Services in January 2021.

- The appropriate signs will be in place to inform all motorists of the restricted periods.
- The restrictions will be enforced by a camera
- The surrounding roads will be enforced against obstructive / illegal parking
- Affected roads include, North Gardens; South Gardens; Valley Gardens (between South Gardens & 5 Valley Gdns)

This measure is being introduced to protect children and we would appreciate your assistance and support

It is appreciated that this may cause some inconvenience and where possible the Council will endeavour to accommodate residents; however, for the scheme to be a success, the Council would require the cooperation of the school, parents and residents. We ask that the school and residents support our proposals and rearrange certain activities such as deliveries and receiving visitors outside the identified hours during each school term.

### CONSULTATION PROCESS

The proposed measure is being introduced at the start of January 2021 term and will operate term times only, during the published hours under an Experimental Traffic Management Order.

The Experimental Traffic Management Order will allow the Council to implement the restrictions during the consultation period.

It allows the Council to assess and monitor the restriction and its impact.

It will enable the residents and other road users to



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