

Parklet Consultation High Street, Wimbledon Village

 Newsletter
May 2023

Cllr Stephen Alambritis MBE
Cabinet Member for Transport



Dear Occupant

As you may be aware, in June 2021, as part of a larger scheme to support economic recovery, Merton Council implemented a parklet outside 'Light on the Common' restaurant on High Street Wimbledon which provided additional seating for its customers. The parklet was removed in May 2022 to allow for some construction work and the business is now seeking to re-introduce a new parklet using the same parking bays. To ensure continued support, the Council has agreed to reintroduce the parklet structure. This, however, would be subject to a new statutory consultation and Cabinet Member approval (please turn overleaf for more details)

What is a parklet?

A parklet is a temporary structure that occupy parking bays. They positively transform streets by providing additional space, seating and planting, all of which contribute to the vibrancy of a street. Below is a photo of the parklet that was previously outside 'Light on the Common.'



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Statutory consultation

The statutory consultation will start on 11th May 2023 and conclude on 2nd June 2023.

A Notice of the Council's intention to introduce the above measures will be published in a local newspaper (Wimbledon and Wandsworth Times) and the London Gazette and posted on lamp columns within the vicinity.

All representations must be made in writing directly to the Council.

Representations against the proposals described in this notice must be made no later than 2nd June 2023 quoting reference **ES/HighstParklet/2023** by emailing Traffic And Highways Traffic.AndHighways@merton.gov.uk or a letter to Environment and Regeneration Department, future Merton, Merton Civic Centre, London Road, Morden, Surrey, SM4 5DX

Objections must relate only to the elements of the scheme that are subject to this statutory consultation.

A copy of the proposed Traffic Management Orders (TMOs), a plan and the Council's Statement of Reasons can be inspected at Merton Link, Merton Civic Centre, London Road, Morden, SM4 5DX during the Council's normal office hours Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm. The documents can also be inspected at Wimbledon library.

All representations along with officers' comments and recommendations will be presented in a report to the Cabinet Member for Transport. **Please note that responses to any representations will not be made until a final decision is made by the Cabinet Member.**

The Council is required to give weight to the nature and content of your representations and not necessarily the quantity.

All available information can be viewed on Council's website: www.merton.gov.uk/parklets

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