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**To:** [Future Merton](#)  
**Subject:** Written objection to the proposed removal of rules that limit buildings taller than 19 storeys being built in Colliers Wood  
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Dear Planning Inspectorate

I am writing to object to the proposed removal of rules that limit buildings taller than 19 storeys being built in Colliers Wood. This objection is for a number of reasons, including the following:

- Buildings over such height would be completely out of character with the area, and would therefore have a negative impact on the existing character of the area. There is only one other tall building in the area, which itself was built in the 1950s, and would not be approved today. The building towers over the rest of the neighbourhood and has, amongst other things, had safety issues such as glass falling onto pedestrian areas;
- Building over such height would have negative effects on the neighbourhood and community including, but not limited to, loss of daylight and loss of privacy.

For the reasons above, the existing rules limiting buildings to no taller than 19 storeys are appropriate and should be retained. Whilst increasing housing is an understandable and laudable goal, doing so by proposing to build tall towers that are completely at odds with the nature of an existing area is not the appropriate way of doing this.

I would also note that the proposal has drawn serious concern with existing residents, who in my experience are overwhelmingly against the proposal. Indeed, please see details of an online petition objecting to this proposal, which has nearly 1,000 signatures:  
<https://www.change.org/p/reject-the-construction-of-taller-buildings-in-colliers-wood>.

I trust that you will reconsider the proposal to remove the existing building restrictions.

Kind regards