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To: [Future Merton](#)
Subject: Re: Merton's draft Local Plan consultation on main modifications until 22 March 2024
Date: 25 February 2024 11:04:08

Another point to add. I see that there is a petition organised by Cllr Neaversons against the inspector's recommendations on Colliers Wood.

This contains the wholly inaccurate statement that "Merton has a track record of meeting or exceeding its housing targets in recent years". This is somewhat surprising to hear from a substitute member of the development and planning applications committee.

The site in question has a very high PTAL score and is adjacent to a Northern Line station. It is located within an Opportunity Area as defined in the London Plan and has an existing tall building.

If Merton councillors oppose the delivery of high density housing I don't think there will be any hope of meeting land supply targets in upcoming years.

Naturally, I will not be signing the Councillor's petition.

[Sign the Petition](#)



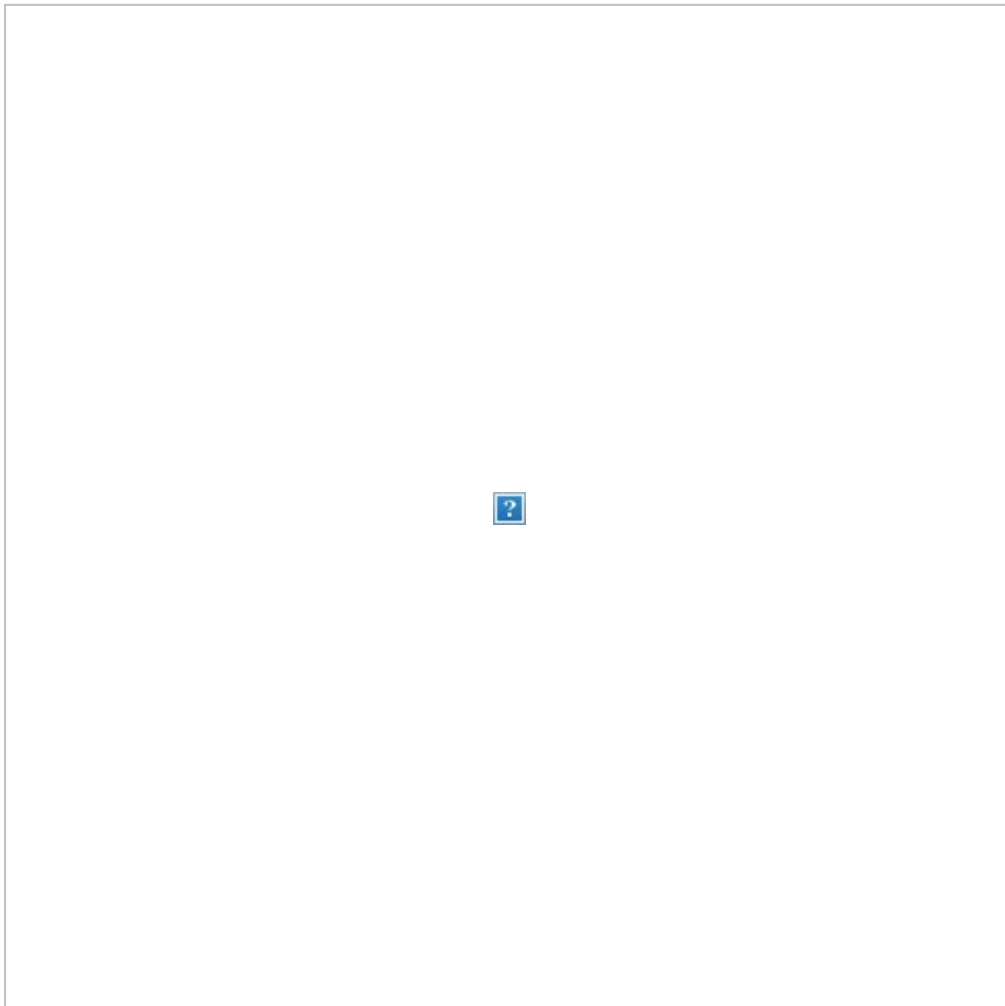
On Friday, February 2, 2024, 5:49 pm,

wrote:

It's my firmly held belief that all these plans and policies are waste of time. Taking the example of the Wimbledon Chase Station (22/P1819) application there was a list of reasons why the Planning Committee should ignore council policy in order to secure the units of "much needed housing". The chair even threw in an extra departure of his own with the suggestion that the standard permit free parking condition should be redefined.

In contrast the council seems to be rather dragging its heels on a far larger development of "much needed housing" at Micham Gasworks (22/P3620) where a number of local Merton councillors in the majority grouping have expressed opposition to the plans. The whole thing seems rather contradictory and even hypocritical.

On Friday, February 2, 2024, 5:05 pm, Merton Council
<mertoncouncil@public.govdelivery.com> wrote:



Consultation on main modifications to Merton's draft Local Plan

Please tell us your views on the main modifications to Merton's draft Local Plan by Friday 22 March 2024

The Planning Inspectors examining Merton's draft Local Plan have proposed a list of main modifications to the Plan, including those discussed at the public hearing sessions during June and October 2022. Please see the Inspectors covering note on the main modifications ([INSP25](#)), which sets out the scope of this consultation to main modifications only.

The main modifications can be found in [LBM29 Schedule of Main Modifications](#) and, for ease of reference, have been incorporated into the draft Local Plan ([document LBM31](#)).

An updated Sustainability Appraisal, Habitats Regulation Assessment, Equalities Impact Assessment and Health Impact Assessment were also produced to assess the proposed modifications and are published below:

- [LBM29 Schedule of Main Modifications dated January 2024](#)
- [LBM30 Schedule of Additional Modifications dated January 2024](#)
- [LBM31 Merton's Local Plan incorporating proposed modifications dated January 2024](#)
- [LBM32 Sustainability Appraisal of Merton's Local Plan dated January 2024](#)
- [LBM33 Habitats Regulations Assessment of Merton's Local Plan dated January 2024](#)
- [LBM34 Equalities Impact Assessment of Merton's Local Plan dated January 2024](#)
- [LBM35 Health Impact Assessment of Merton's Local Plan dated January 2024](#)
- [LBM36 Schedule of Modifications to the Policies Map dated January 2024](#)
- [LBM37 Delivering Net Zero report dated May 2023](#)
- [LBM38 GLA Energy Assessment Guidance dated June 2022](#)

A [Schedule of Additional Modifications \(LBM30\)](#) for factual updates and other minor matters that do not influence the policy direction of the Local Plan is included above for reference.

All of the above documents can be found in the [examination library](#).

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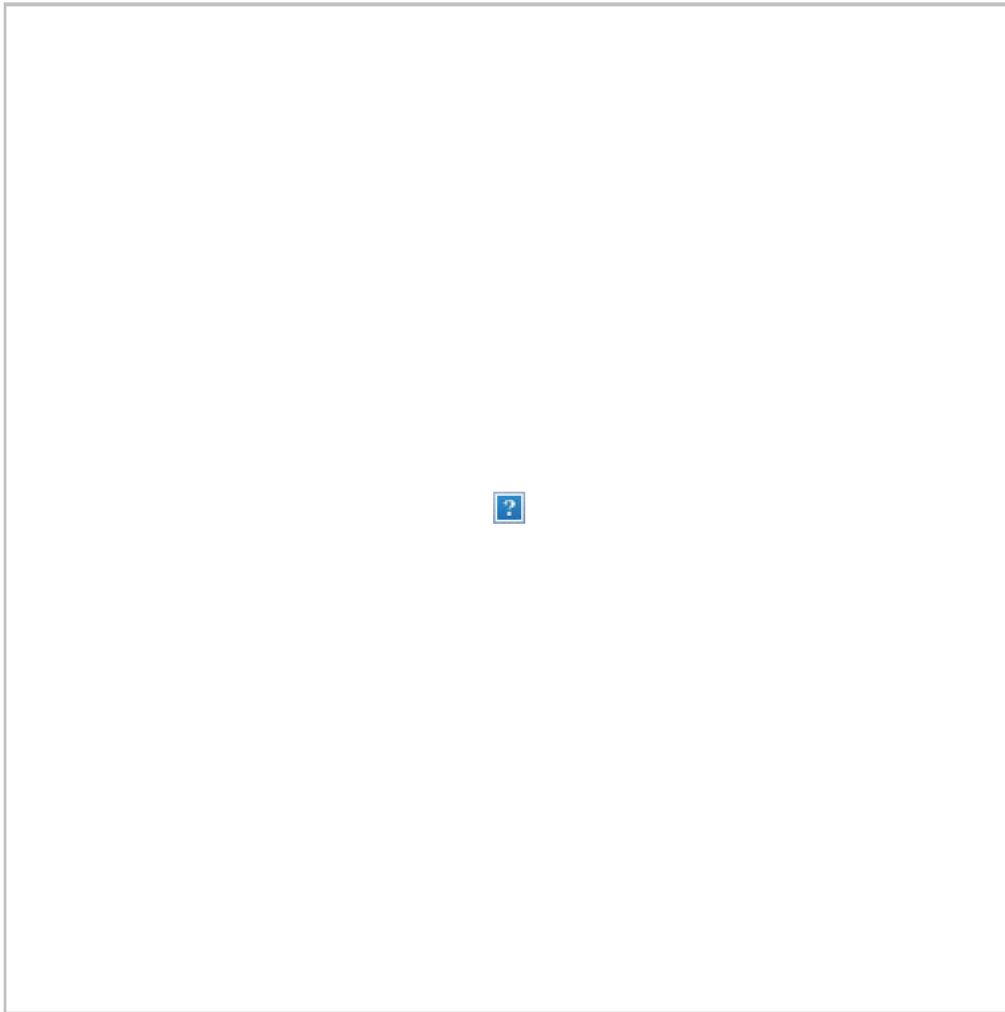
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The Planning Inspectors will consider all responses received to this consultation before issuing their final report on Merton's Local Plan.

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