

From:
To: [Future Merton](#)
Subject: Consultation on main modifications to Merton's draft local plan
Date: 04 February 2024 21:46:22

Dear Sir/Madam

You have asked for comments on the main modifications to Merton's draft local plan .

The documents enclosed run to hundreds of pages and have been prepared by persons employed by Merton to do this full time for their living .

It is clear from the content of the initial 163 pages , that Merton's local plan is heavily focused on climate and green matters .

The modifications have the appearance of not only being orchestrated by the green woke contingent of Merton Council but also of being adapted to make it easier for Merton council to do that which it (Merton Council) wishes to achieve, where the possibility exists that Merton council may be prevented from achieving its goals by the opposition of its residents .

A prime example of such tinkering is the adjustments to the AELT site on page 161

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If Merton really believed in its green rhetoric it would not have voted to ignore the covenant associated with this park land currently comprising a golf course as part of a Capability Brown designed Grade 2 registered park .

It would also not change the original wording of its former plan (delete paragraph 7) to facilitate and make it easier to concrete over the majority of this land and demolish a Grade 2 registered park for the benefit of AELT .

Whilst it is impossible to read every word that Merton's paid full time employees have written it is clear that Merton's approach is a disgrace and intended to manipulate democracy .

It is a disgrace because Merton is ignoring the cost to its residents of its head long rush to go green, but is wanting to cram in to the Borough numerous further houses and redevelop the centre with high rise buildings .

Most EU countries have now realised that rushing forward with excessively short time horizons is not sensible and are rowing back on imposing unnecessary hardship on its citizens when Europe's contribution to climate change is minimal relative to other economies and the precise causation now claimed, was not a contributing factor in historic climate changes .

Notwithstanding Merton's rush to impose revenue earning measures and additional expense on its residents, Merton seeks to develop Merton with High rise buildings unwanted by residents and, aid with its tweaks referred to above , the development of a park for the benefit of AELT club again when unwanted by its residents .

So the Merton local plan is in reality being re- written to enable Merton to make money, undertake the developments it wishes to implement which residents neither want nor require .

Residents concept of maintaining the already superb green credentials of Merton is to leave the existing green

spaces and parks and golf clubs undeveloped and for the town centre to retain its existing sensible absence of high rise buildings .

There is also no benefit to existing residents in Merton's rush to cram in yet more houses . The only beneficiary of such development is Merton itself as it seeks to collect yet more council tax .

What is needed is to curtail the ever increasing requirement for housing by curtailing the population growth arising principally from unfettered immigration .

As stated these tweaks are solely designed to penalise residents with unrealistic requirements whilst facilitating the ability of Merton Council to generate yet further monies which it can waste by continuing to fund a defined benefit pension scheme for its employees and publish communications in the UK in multiple languages whilst reducing social services for long standing residents .

As residents have seen in the past Merton Council has a practice of ignoring views that do not align with its own despite seeking such views

From:
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Subject: Fwd: Consultation on main modifications to Merton's draft local plan
Date: 07 March 2024 19:43:33

Thank you for your reminder

I have already sent in a response to the below reminder .

I further hope Merton will be more prudent with its finances going forward and think carefully about rushing into redevelopment that ratepayers do NOT want before they follow Birmingham into bankruptcy

It could also revert to producing its publications in the language of this country (English) rather than an additional 15 other languages once again at the expense of rate payers .

Stop messing with grandiose plans and focus on what resident want .

Residents do not want green spaces turned into tennis courts or high rise buildings

Wimbledon is desirable just as it is .

It's the village concept that resident want and desire - not council officials trying to make a name for themselves or leave their ugly stamp on our infrastructure

Sent from my iPhone

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