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To: <u>Future Merton</u>

Subject: Fwd: Object to buildings taller than 19 storeys in Colliers Wood in the Local Plan

Date: 12 March 2024 22:25:28

I'd like to object to your proposal to remove the height restrictions for the local plan. Even 19 stories is too high. It blocks sunlight, creates significant wind tunnels (which should have been addressed in the previous building but gets ignored despite the continued property damage to local houses) and leads to high density living that the council can't support. You need to build sustainable dwellings and not the highest ones. Ideally ones where lifts work, and windows don't fall out. We want homes that people want to stay in and create a community, not live in for a few months and then leave because it's cramped and shoddily built.

When you couldn't pull down the existing building because of risks to the tube, how do you propose to build something higher without putting people at risk?

This should be the same level of buildings as per permissions given for the AFC Wimbledon stadium, with emphasis on sustainability and shared ownership for front line workers, green space and wind breaks.

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From:

Date: 11 March 2024 at 15:06:20 GMT

To:

Subject: Object to buildings taller than 19 storeys in Colliers Wood in the Local Plan



Dear Residents,

Object to buildings taller than 19 storeys in Colliers Wood.

Please join us in saying no to high rises in Collier Wood.

The Planning Inspectorate has proposed removing the clause which states that no building taller than 19 storeys shall be built in Colliers Wood. We, as your local councillors, are doing all we can to resist - but we need your help.

Please help us by adding your voice by <u>submitting a written objection to the removal</u> of this clause before Friday 22 March 2024 to <u>future.merton@merton.gov.uk</u>

You can also submit a letter to FutureMerton, Merton Civic Centre, London Road, Morden SM4 5DX

The Planning Inspectors will consider all responses received to this consultation before issuing their final report on Merton's Local Plan, so every email and letter counts. You can also help by signing our petition objecting to this clause being taken out. Thank you to everyone who has signed and shared the petition so far.

The background to this: the <u>Local Plan</u> for the London Borough of Merton followed a borough wide consultation lasting several months but the <u>Planning Inspectorate also has a say.</u> They have come back recommending the removal of this clause to enable Merton to meet its target for building new homes.

We three councillors and your MP, Siobhain McDonagh, feel that this is not necessary and would be to the detriment of Colliers Wood. Let's face it, the one high rise we already have, Britannia Point, is completely out of character with our neighbourhood.

With best wishes,

Laxmi Attawar Caroline Cooper-Marbiah Stuart Neaverson

PS: Please contact us if you need any help drafting your written submission. We'd be more than happy to assist.

PPS: If we can help with local matters we hold an advice surgery in Colliers Wood Library on the first Saturday of the month from 10.00 - 11.00