St James' Road-Proposed Speed Restriction Measures



Statutory consultation August/September 2023

Cllr Stephen Alambritis MBE Cabinet Member for Transport



Dear Resident,

The purpose of this newsletter is to inform you that as part of the Borough's commitment to road safety and in response to complaints about speed, the Council is proposing to introduce sinusoidal speed humps along St James Road, as shown on the plan overleaf.

In May 2023, the Council carried out a weeklong speed survey which showed that the average speed is 23mph with 85% of vehicles travelling at almost 30mph. Given that the speed limit is 20mph, it is believed these features will effectively reduce speed thereby facilitate the current 20mph and reduce risk of collision.

Please note that since there are a number of strict criteria as set by the Police and TfL, it is not possible to consider a speed camera. It is considered that the proposed features are the most suitable speed reducing features and they will not affect parking.

To implement the proposed sinusoidal speed humps, it is necessary to undertake a statutory consultation.

The statutory consultation will start on 31st August and conclude on 22nd September 2023

A Notice of the Council's proposals will be published in Wimbledon and Wandsworth Times and the London Gazette. Notices will also be posted on lamp columns along the road.

Representations against the proposals described in this Notice must be put in writing — either email <u>Traffic.AndHighways@merton.gov.uk</u> or write to the Environment, Civic and Climate Department, Future Merton, Merton Civic Centre, London Road, Morden, Surrey, SM4 5DX by no later than **22**nd **September 2023**, quoting reference - **ES/RH/StJames 2023**

Please note that a statutory consultation is not a vote or a tick box exercise. The Council is required to give weight to the nature and content of your representation and not necessarily the quantity. Your reasons are, therefore, important when making a final decision. We also would welcome comments of support.

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 received will not be made until after the Cabinet Member has made a final decision.

This information is also available on Merton Council's website and will be updated as the proposal progresses. merton.gov.uk/SpeedHumpsStJamesFramfield

A similar scheme is also proposed for Framfield Road.

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