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To: [Future.Merton@merton.gov.uk](mailto:Future.Merton@merton.gov.uk).

I learnt about this draft Study yesterday, so I am disappointed that I have had such a short time to respond. But here goes.....

I've previously had my say on the previous borough character study 2015.

I note this study remains incomplete and rather than completing it you have prepared a revised version of all the neighbourhoods in Merton.

The lack of a character study for Plough Lane has contributed to impaired planning decisions regarding protection of the local heritage assets, notably centred on the 1890s Haydon Park Estate.

The new character study is therefore long overdue and one hopes it is not too late to make a significant contribution to

- i) conservation and enhancement of the historic Haydon Park estate townscape, including The Parade;
- ii) traffic control in Haydon Park Road, including introduction of woonerf (possibly with landscaped barrier to Haydons Road creating "set-down" space for Co-op and pedestrians).

I understand once the SPD is adopted, it will become a material consideration when assessing any future planning applications.

Please advise:

1. Is there a Neighbourhood Forum for Plough Lane?
2. What is the status of its Neighbourhood Plan?
3. Please justify your Proposed change: Leave Haydons Road in Colliers Wood, when clearly only some of Haydons Road is near CW.
4. Future Merton/ Next steps: Further design guidance: To ensure harmful trends such as loss of front gardens and greenery, there is no need for further design guidance. What is required is that the Council exercises its policies and enforcement powers in order to protect local character.