

# Parklets

July 2021

**Merton Council are working with local businesses to support our high streets recovery from Covid-19 restrictions. The council have been awarded a Central Government Grant to deliver 8 new parklets across the borough to support economic recovery as well as contribute to improved air quality, vibrancy and giving more space back for pedestrians.**

## What is a parklet?

A parklet is a temporary structure that occupy parking bays. They positively transform streets by providing additional space, seating and planting, all of which contribute to the vibrancy of a street.

To facilitate the parklets, it is necessary to temporarily remove access to a small number of parking bays. This is being done under a new Experimental Traffic Order that will remain in place for no more than 18 months. See overleaf for more details.

The consultation will remain open for 6 months. To find out more about the 8 new parklets and provide feedback, please use the online service using the Council's website:

**[www.merton.gov.uk/parklets](http://www.merton.gov.uk/parklets)**

The council are working with FM Conway and Meristem Design to design and deliver this exciting initiative across the borough.



The first parklet of 8 delivered on the High Street, Wimbledon

For more information on this project please visit

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## **Abbotsbury Road [near London Road Junction]**

This parklet is one of eight parklets being delivered across the borough. It will suspend five parking bays near the London Road junction on Abbotsbury Road.

The order will come into effect on **Friday 9th July 2021** and remain in place for no more than 18 months. The consultation will be open for 6 months. Please use the online service to provide feedback on the Council's website below.



Location of parklet structure highlighted in red

## **Outline programme for all parklets**



### **Early July**

- Experimental Traffic Order issued for all remaining seven parklets
- Kings Road parklet delivered [side of the Old Frizzle Pub]
- Coombe Lane parklet delivered [outside Lime & Thyme]

### **Mid July**

- Quicks Road parklet delivered [outside Bonjour Brioche and Chocolaterie]
- The Rush parklet delivered [along Merton Park Parade]

### **End of July**

- Merton High Street parklet delivered [outside Cedar restaurant and Merton cafe & wine]
- Abbotsbury Road parklet delivered [at London Road junction]

### **After July**

- Kingston Road parklet delivered [south side of Raynes Park Bridge underpass]
- Whilst our first phase of parklets are to support the hospitality sector, the Council will also be supporting community led parklets as a second phase of the project using Neighbourhood CIL - more details to follow.

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