

All representations along with officers' comments and recommendations will be presented in a report to the Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Environment & Housing. **Please note that responses to any representations received will not be made until the final decision is made by the Cabinet Member.** The Council is required to give weight to the nature and content of your representations and not necessarily the quantity. Your reasons are, therefore important to us. Once a decision is made by the Cabinet Member consultees will be informed accordingly.

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Proposed Safety Measures St Thomas of Canterbury Primary School – Commonsides East (between Esher Mews and Hallowell Close)



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Dear Resident/Business

The Council in partnership with St Thomas of Canterbury Primary School and your local Ward Councillors are proposing some safety measures along this section of road within the vicinity of the school.

It is envisaged that the measures will further improve traffic flows, lower vehicle speeds and contribute to a "School Safety Zone" ambience in the neighborhood and create a pleasant environment.

The Proposals include

1. To reinforce the existing 20mph zone with associated speed limit signs. This will emphasise and raise driver awareness to improve compliance specifically on approach to the school entrance where children and parents congregate.
2. The implementation of a speed table near the school entrance. This will compel motorist to drive at lower speeds especially on approach to the school where large numbers of children are present during school drop-off/pick-up times.
3. The introduction of some road markings such as 'slow', '20mph' and school child legends.
4. To provide a planter on the footway will further compliment the surrounding features to enhance the street scene and soften the urban setting.
5. The grass footway extension opposite the school entrance. This will physically tighten the junction to assist in 'safer' vehicle turning movements at reduced speeds.

The proposed measures are shown on the plan overleaf and can also be viewed online at www.merton.gov.uk/CommonsidesEastSchoolSafety.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

The Council carries out careful consultation to ensure all road users are given a fair opportunity to give their views and express their needs on parking proposals and road safety issues.

Proposed measure '2' is subject to a statutory consultation.

A Notice of the Council's intention to introduce the above measure will be published in a local newspaper (The Guardian), London Gazette and posted on lamp columns in the vicinity. Representations for and against the proposals described in this Notice must be made in writing to trafficandhighways@merton.gov.uk by no later than **27th January 2017** quoting reference **Commonsides East School Safety**.

Copies of the proposed Traffic Management Notice and a larger plan may be viewed at Merton Link, Merton Civic Centre, London Road, Morden Surrey, SM4 5DX during the Council's normal office hours Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm. This information is also available on Merton Council's website www.merton.gov.uk/CommonsidesEastSchoolSafety.

