

Estate: High Path

Dear Sirs,

I am a home owner in Old Merton Park. Our views on the new estates plan have been requested.

My view is that the height of buildings on the High Path and other estates should not be increased and, if anything, should be reduced. This is my greatest concern about proposals to re-develop the area.

A mixed range of housing is required, with homes for single people and for families with and without children. Decent homes for the increasing number of elderly people should also be included, providing level access for the disabled and infirm.

It is essential that the estates include open spaces with planting (not concrete spaces) and preferably with trees. Areas for children to play are also needed but should be sited away from areas designed for older residents.

Brutalist architecture should be avoided at all costs. Instead structures should reflect the Wimbledon area style of using a mixture of yellow and red London brick.