



Dear Resident/Business

This newsletter is to inform you of the outcome of the informal consultation that was carried out in January 2015 regarding an experimental road closure on Balfour Road.

180 consultation documents were delivered to all properties in Balfour & Cecil Roads and some adjacent properties. 79 responses were received with a majority of 50.6% against the proposed road closure.

We also received 15 additional feedback forms from other roads such as Kingston Road and Merton Road raising it to a majority of 59.2% against.

Table 1: The results of the consultation are as follows:

Table 1	Yes %	No %	Undecided %	Totals
Original consultation area	44.3% (35)	50.6% (40)	5.1% (4)	79
Original consultation plus additional responses	35.7% (35)	59.2% (58)	5.1% (5)	94

Table 2: Below shows a breakdown of the feedback received from the two differently effected sections of Cecil & Balfour Roads, and from Kingston and Merton Road.

Table 2	Yes %	No %	Undecided %	Totals
Cecil Road (None through route)	21% (7)	71% (24)	8% (3)	34
Balfour & Cecil Road (through route)	93% (27)	3.5% (1)	3.5% (1)	29
Kingston & Merton Road frontages	6% (1)	94% (15)	0% (0)	16

During the consultation the Cabinet Member gave the residents an undertaking that when considering the results of the informal consultation more weight would be given to those residents and businesses fronting Cecil and Balfour Roads i.e. the through route section. Given that the majority of those residents support the road closure it is proposed to undertake an experimental road closure on Balfour Road as well as a statutory consultation on the introduction of the lorry ban. The full list of proposals are as follows:

1. An experimental road closure outside No.1 Balfour Road with a removable bollard to maintain access for emergency vehicles.
2. Removal of the parking bays at the road closure and the introduction of double yellow lines to prevent obstruction and allow turning.
3. Removal of the one-way road status on Cecil Road and associated signage from outside No. 34 Balfour Road.
4. Removal of the small island at the Cecil & Balfour Road junction and replace existing yellow line with a parking bay outside Nos. 82-88.
5. A permanent 7.5T weight limit (lorry ban) which will also include a ban on public service vehicles (Buses). Access for loading/unloading purposes will be permitted.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

The road closure and associated measures (items 1-4) will be introduced under an Experimental Traffic Management Order. The notice period for submitting any representation will start on the **21 September 2015** and finish on the **21 March 2016**, it is envisaged that the works will take place on the **5 - 7 October 2015**. All representations relating to the experimental order will be considered by the Cabinet Member after **6 months** before a final decision is made.

The introduction of the 7.5T weight limit (items 5) will be introduced under a permanent Traffic Management Order. First this will be subject to a statutory consultation which will start on **10 September 2015** and will close on **2 October 2015**.

A notice of the Council’s intention to introduce these measures will be published in a local newspaper (The Guardian), London Gazette and posted on lamp columns in the vicinity. All representations for and against the proposals described in this notice must be made in writing to: **Head of Sustainable Communities, Merton Civic Centre, London Road, Morden, Surrey, SM4 5DX** or email trafficandhighways@merton.gov.uk before the closing dates described above. Please quote reference **MW/BALFOUR** objections must relate only to the elements of the scheme that are subject to this statutory consultation.

All representations along with officers’ comments and recommendations will be presented in a report to the Cabinet Member for Environmental Sustainability and Regeneration. 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.

A copy of the proposed Traffic Management Orders (TMOs), a plan identifying the areas affected by the proposals and the Council’s Statement of Reasons can be inspected 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. A copy can also be inspected at Wimbledon Library. This information is also available on Merton Council’s website at www.merton.gov.uk/balfourcecil

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 - Banglali এই তথ্যের কোনো অংশ আপনার নিজ ভাষায় বুঝতে চাইলে, দয়া করে বাঙ্কটিভ (বক্স) টিক চিহ্ন দিন এবং চিঠি লিখে বা ফোন করে আমাদের সাথে যোগাযোগ করুন। দিতে যোগাযোগের বিবরণ দেওয়া হয়েছে।
 - French Si vous avez besoin que l'on vous explique une partie de ce document dans votre langue, cochez la case et contactez-nous par courrier ou par téléphone à nos coordonnées figurant ci-dessous.
 - Korean 만일 본 서류의 어떤 부분이라도 귀하의 모국어로 설명된 것이 필요하다면, 상자속에 표시를 하고 우리에게 전화나 서신으로 연락하십시오.
 - Polish Aby otrzymać część tego dokumentu w polskiej wersji językowej proszę zaznaczyć kwadrat i skontaktować się z nami drogą pisemną lub telefoniczną pod poniżej podanym adresem lub numerem telefonu.
 - Portuguese Caso você necessite qualquer parte deste documento explicada em seu idioma, favor assinalar a quadricula respectiva e contatar-nos por escrito ou por telefone usando as informações para contato aqui fornecidas.
 - Somali Haddii aad u baahan tahay in qayb dukumentigan ka mid ah laguugu sharxo luqaddaada, fadlan sax ku calaamadee sanduuga oo nagula soo xiriir warqad ama telefoon adigoo isticmaalaya macluumaadka halkaan hoose ku yaalla.
 - Spanish Si desea que alguna parte de este documento se traduzca en su idioma, le rogamos marque la casilla correspondiente y que nos contacte bien por escrito o telefónicamente utilizando nuestra información de contacto que encontrará más abajo.
 - Tamil இது போன்ற ஆவணத்தின் எந்த ஒரு பகுதியும் உங்களுக்கு விளக்கப்பட வேண்டியிருந்தால், கீழ்க்கண்ட டிக் பாக்ஸ்களை அடையாளப்படுத்தி எழுதிக்கொடுக்கப்பட்ட முகவரி மற்றும் தொலைபேசி எண்களைப் பயன்படுத்தவும்.
 - Urdu اگر آپ اس دستاویز کے کسی حصے کو ترجمانی زبان میں حاصل کرنا چاہتے ہیں تو دیکھیں کہ اس میں کون سا کھانا ہے اور اس سے شروع و ختم رائے پر یا تو ٹیلی فون کے ذریعے یا تحریری طور پر رابطہ کریں۔
- Large print Braille Audiotape

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