

MERTON COUNCIL



Have your say

on the future look of Ravensbury Estate

London Borough of Merton Draft Estates Local Plan

Stage 2 Consultation

**Consultation is open from
1 February to 18 March 2016**

Visit: merton.gov.uk/estatesplan

More information: estatesplan@merton.gov.uk



What is this consultation about?

This is an opportunity for you to send your views directly to the council about the future of the estate where you live.

Please visit Merton's website to find out more and have your say:

www.merton.gov.uk/estatesplan

Merton Council wants to hear your views on the draft Estates Local Plan for the estates of Eastfields, High Path and Ravensbury.

Using background research, responses from the council's public consultation in September - November 2014 and other key considerations (e.g. national and regional planning policies) the council has drafted the Estates Local Plan to guide any regeneration proposals that may come forward for the three estates, a brief summary of which is set out in this leaflet. It is advised that you refer to the draft Estates Local Plan for fuller details which is located here:

www.merton.gov.uk/estatesplan

How is the council's consultation different from Circle Housing Merton Priory's consultation?

The council's consultation is completely separate and independent from the consultations which have been conducted by Circle Housing Merton Priory. We know you may have heard from Circle Housing Merton Priory already, and there have been a number of Circle Housing Merton Priory workshops on how the estates could look in the future including details on how the buildings and landscaping could look.

The council's consultation gives you the opportunity to tell us directly your ideas about regeneration and the planning policies that will need to be adhered to by any development proposal that may come forward in the future. The council's consultation sets out planning policies to guide any regeneration proposals that may come forward rather than detailed matters concerning internal layouts, size and type of new homes. It is also another opportunity for people who will be affected by the proposed regeneration to be able to make their views known to the council independently of Circle Housing Merton Priory.

Even if you have participated in Circle Housing Merton Priory's consultation, we would strongly recommend you take this opportunity to complete the council's consultation too. Your response will be considered and will provide invaluable input into the council's draft Estates Local Plan as well as guidance on the next steps.

What has happened so far?

The council asked for your views last year between September and November 2014 to find out what options you thought the Estates Local Plan should cover. The feedback from this consultation is available on Merton Council's website here: www.merton.gov.uk/estatesplan

People told us they were unsure about regeneration or felt that they needed more information, such as the Residents offer, before they could make a decision. The council has taken account of the feedback provided and has produced the draft Estates Local Plan that provides more detail, including a visual idea of what the area could look like.

Tell us what you think

The draft Estates Local Plan is a legal document which will guide any redevelopment proposals for the three estates. Alongside the draft Estates Plan you can also find supporting information (e.g. Merton's Sustainability Report 2015 and background research). Please visit Merton's website to find out more:

www.merton.gov.uk/estatesplan

How to respond

Please tell us what you think about the draft Estates Local Plan and the supporting information by sending your feedback by **18 March 2016** to us:

by on-line questionnaire located here:
www.merton.gov.uk/estatesplan

or by e-mail to:
estatesplan@merton.gov.uk

or in writing to:
**Future Merton,
London Borough of Merton,
12th Floor Civic Centre,
London Road, Morden,
SM4 5DX**

If you have any queries regarding the council's consultation or the consultation form, please contact the Future Merton Team at the address above or telephone 0208 545 3693

Next steps

Your feedback will be considered by your democratically elected councillors, who will decide whether or not to move to the next stage of the council's draft Estates Local Plan. Everybody's feedback will be published on the council's website, with all confidential details removed.

If the council's draft Estates Local Plan moves to the next stage, there will be another opportunity to have your say in summer 2016.

Estates Plan: Ravensbury

The council's draft Estates Local Plan will guide any regeneration proposals that may come forward for the three estates and the following sets out a brief summary of this for your estate. It is advised that you refer to the draft Estates Local Plan for fuller details.

Townscape: How your neighbourhood looks and feels

- Design new homes around a network of traditional streets
- Improvements around the estate, including wider entrance to Ravensbury Park from Morden Road by Ravensbury Mill, improvements on Morden Road to better link the entrances of the two parks at Ravensbury Park and Morden Hall Park. High quality buildings opposite Ravensbury Arms pub to link both sides of the street
- Use local history to inform design of buildings e.g. industrial water mills

Street Network: Where the new streets will go

- Retain Ravensbury Grove Road and extend fully to edge of the park
- Create new streets in the estate that create good connections with Morden Road and the green spaces at Ravensbury Park
- Retain and enhance Hengelo Gardens

Movement and Access: How will people move around

- Improve pedestrian routes across the estate to the surrounding area, including relocating the pelican crossing on Morden Road and potential for a new footbridge across the River Wandle
- Potential for managing traffic along Morden Road at key points such as the mill, pub, shops and medical centre, improving walking and cycling routes for the estate and the surrounding area.

Land Use: What uses can go in the new neighbourhood

- Retention of the residential use of the neighbourhood and re-provision of an improved community room

Open Space: How much and what sort of open spaces there will be

- Retain and enhance existing open spaces on Ravensbury Grove and Hengelo Gardens

Environmental Protection: How design will help to achieve a sustainable neighbourhood e.g. reduce flooding, encourage wildlife and provide energy efficient homes

- Reduce flood risk by a range of landscaping and design methods including sustainable drainage and swales
- Landscape enhancements and tree planting to be integrated into the whole site to enhance wildlife habitats between the two parks
- Enhancements to the River Wandle landscape to improve its setting and wildlife habitat

Landscape: How open space, trees and planting should be provided

- Prominent and extensive landscaping to maintain and enhance the green setting and character of the neighbourhood
- Widen and enhance the existing narrow access to Ravensbury Park from Morden Road
- Extend existing tree planting along full length of Morden Road

Building Heights: How high buildings should be

- Building heights across the estate could be 2-4 storeys and must maintain views of the surrounding trees from within the estate, meaning that taller buildings should be sited towards the edges of the estate but not obscure views of the trees in the parks.

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Consultation questions

Tell us what you think of the council's draft Estates Local Plan

1) Having read and considered the council's draft Estates Local Plan and supporting documents please indicate your preference at this stage for regeneration.

Please tick **one** of the following options:

Option 1: Demolish and redevelop the entire Estate

Redeveloping the whole estate would mean demolishing and replacing the existing buildings to provide well-designed energy efficient new homes and general improvement to the neighbourhood, including connections to the surrounding areas.

Option 2: Partial redevelopment

Retain some buildings and redevelop the majority of the estate to provide a number of benefits, such as well-designed energy

efficient new homes but with fewer benefits to the neighbourhood.

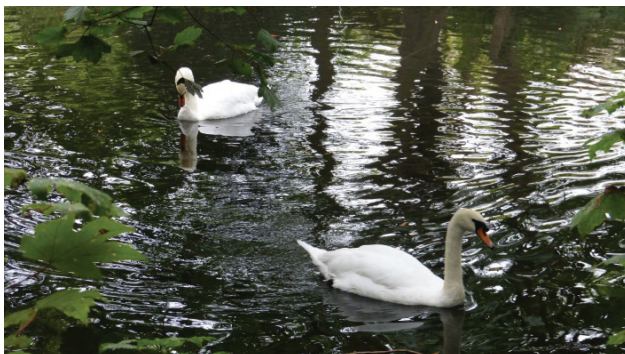
Option 3: Invest in existing properties to bring them to minimum modern standards

Refurbish all Circle Housing Merton Priory and leasehold properties to ensure they meet current minimum housing standards and have reasonable kitchens, bathrooms, windows, wiring and insulation. All leaseholders would have to share the costs of this work. This would not include changes to the outside areas.



2) To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following aspects of the council’s draft Estates Local Plan? Please select one of the following ratings for each topic area:

Draft Estates Local Plan	Ratings				
	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Townscape - How your neighbourhood looks and feels					
Street Network - Where the streets will go					
Movement and access – How people will move around					
Land use – What uses can go in the new neighbourhood					
Open space – How much and what sort of open space will there be					
Environmental protection - How design will help to achieve a sustainable e.g. reduce flooding, encourage wildlife and provide energy efficient homes					
Landscape – How open space, trees and planting should be provided					
Building heights – How high buildings should be					



3) Please tell us if you have any other comments about the council's draft Estates Local Plan?

(Please include details of the page number(s) and paragraph number(s) of the council's draft plan to which your comments relate. Please continue on a separate sheet and attach to this form clearly indicating the question you are writing about.)

Tell us what you think about the council's consultation

4) How did you hear about this consultation?

Please select one or more.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Email | <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Letter | <input type="checkbox"/> Other
(please specify) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Website | _____ |

5) How well did you understand the council's draft Estates Local Plan?

Please select one

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Very well | <input type="checkbox"/> Not very well |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reasonably well | <input type="checkbox"/> Not at all |

6) Do you have any other comments about the council's consultation process that you would like considered?

Your contact details

Your details	If you are submitting a representation on behalf of someone else please state your client's name and address
<p>Name:</p> <p>Address:</p> <p>Postcode:</p> <p>Email:</p> <p>Telephone:</p> <p>Organisation you represent (if applicable):</p>	<p>Name:</p> <p>Address:</p> <p>Postcode:</p> <p>Email:</p> <p>Telephone:</p> <p>Company Name (if applicable):</p>
<p>Which of the following describes you:</p> <p> <input type="checkbox"/> Freeholder <input type="checkbox"/> Circle tenant <input type="checkbox"/> Business Occupier </p> <p> <input type="checkbox"/> Leaseholder – private <input type="checkbox"/> Other register provider tenant, please state _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please state _____ </p> <p> <input type="checkbox"/> Private tenant <input type="checkbox"/> Business Owner </p>	

Consultation monitoring form

You do not have to answer these questions but doing so helps us to see how representative the responses to the survey are. This will help us plan improvements to our services more effectively. What you tell us is strictly confidential and will not be used for any purpose other than analysing this survey.

Are you: Male Female

What is your age group?

- 18 or under
- 19- 30
- 31- 45
- 46- 60
- 61+

Do you consider that you have a disability? Yes No

How would you describe yourself (please tick one box only)

White

- White-English/Welsh/Scottish /Northern Irish/British
- White-Irish
- Gypsy or Irish Traveller
- Any other White background, please state _____

Asian or Asian Black

- Asian or Asian British
- Indian
- Pakistani
- Bangladeshi
- Chinese
- Any other Asian background, please state _____

Mixed / multiple ethnic groups

- White and Black Caribbean
- White and Black African
- White and Asian
- Any other Mixed background, please state _____

Black or Black British

- Caribbean
- African
- Any other Black background, please state _____

Arab

- Arab

Other ethnic group

- Any other ethnic group, please state _____

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- 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.
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