

Merton Council Council

20 November 2024

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Liberal Democrat Amendment to Item 13 – Adoption of
Merton’s Local Plan

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Liberal Democrat Amendment to the Adoption of Merton's Local Plan Report

November 2024

To amend the Recommendations to the Adoption of Merton's Local Plan Report by adding as Recommendations C, D, E, and F:

C. Note that the Local Plan includes what are considered appropriate heights in site allocations and that many of the site allocations still require a design guide/code. Council therefore asks Cabinet to consider bringing forward a timetable for the preparation of suitable design codes and guides for tall buildings.

D. Ask Cabinet to consider properly resourcing the Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) Group with a view to creating more dedicated BNG sites in the borough. This would ensure the delivery of the national requirement for 10% BNG in planning applications, as reflected in the Local Plan, is realised in Merton.

E. Ask Cabinet to consider reviewing site allocation *Wimbledon Park – Policy N8.1* as soon as legally possible after the Local Plan's adoption to ensure its relevance to any progress on the site and to ensure suitable protection for the heritage park and garden.

F. Ask Cabinet to consider reviewing Merton's planning document *Statement of Community Involvement* last updated in June 2020 to increase, where possible, information that can be shared with residents and ward councillors from the pre-application stage.

Councillor Anthony Fairclough

Councillor Matthew Willis

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Liberal Democrat Amendment to Item 20 – Affordable Housing Programme

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To amend the Recommendations to the Strategic Theme Report by adding as Recommendation C:

Should the total costs after receipt of Tenders be increased by 10% or more from that approved by Council, request Cabinet to consider bringing the revised amount back to Council for approval.

Cllr Anthony Fairclough

Cllr Simon McGrath

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