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:

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

When the estate was built we were told that the architects responsible for the estate and won awards for the design of the buildings using very little ground space to build a 3 bed house with garden building up rather than using more ground space.

Your description of the houses being fortress like is just one opinion. We enjoy privacy at the front of the house and no safety fears with garden overlooking green having lived here for 44 years.

Pollards Hill, Watermeads & Cherry Tree Estates are all of similar design, should they be warned of the Council’s view of their homes? It seems as though the Council and Council housing are not really interested in the residents not recognising that these are peoples homes.

It is not the residents fault that the money received from the sale of the properties was not reinvested at the time to build new properties. It was successive governments that did this.
The barrier was put across the road in the middle of Clay Avenue as the road was used by yountsters as a race track resulting in damage to several cars. Road humps were put at the end starting near Fair Close and the speeding stopped. If humps were put the other side of the barrier and the barrier removed the estate would be accessible for everyone from both Woodstock Way & Tamworth house as it was originally.

The gardens at the back of my house are used a lot in the summer. The children have bouncy castles and sometimes if warm enough paddling pools with some adults in garden chairs using the green as an extension of their garden.

The occasional musical coupled with the laughter of the children is what makes the estate.

The gates leading to the green were only placed there either by the council or Cirencester Housing. Do you want it to become a public walk through?
Eastfields railway station was originally promised in 1935 when a family member moved nearby. It was worth waiting for as my family remember having to go to Tooting Broadway, Collins Wood or Streatham Common stations to travel to work in Central London and myself to visit my family in Redbridge taking almost as long to get to the station than to Redbridge on train. The station has made the area more appealing to prospective home owners but for the people already living on the estate more difficult if they wanted to buy a 3 bed house off the estate for a similar price it would be impossible to stay in the area.

The proposal seems to be to use all the open space we have and create an estate where privacy is non existent and noisy and car parking become a bigger problem. Mitcham has become one large building site over the last 30 years. Every green open space has been built on leaving just Mitcham Common in Feggys Marsh.
Tell us what you think about the council’s consultation

4) How did you hear about this consultation? Please select one or more.

☐ Email
☐ Letter
☐ Website

☐ Newspaper
☐ Other
   (please specify) ____________

5) How well did you understand the council’s draft Estates Local Plan? Please select one

☐ Very well
☐ Reasonably well

☐ Not very well
☐ Not at all

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