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?

(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.)

It would be lovely to see new builds and new places for wildlife to come into the area.

The roads are very bad with holes and they are never repaired at all?

New green-land would be nice aspect, too, the area.

New area will be a happier place for all.
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?

No, looks okay.
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7 March 2016

Dear Sir/Madam

Proposals for Eastfields

Thank you for your letter of the 1 February and the documents you sent with it.

I wish to repeat the matters that I expressed in my letter of the 28 October 2014, a copy of which I enclose for ease of reference, and add the following:

1. The Eastfields Estate is not ready for demolition at this time, especially taking into account that this is a period of austerity. What it needs is proper refurbishment by competent and qualified contractors, and if this is done the Estate can go on for another twenty to thirty years more.

2. This Estate has been badly and inefficiently handled by both Merton Priority Housing and Circle Housing Merton Priory from the moment they took it over. It was quite clear to everyone living here that the Estate was being run down, and this prompted our complaint to the Council.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to comment on the proposals and I respectfully request that you take my views into account before making a decision.
Dear Sir/Madam

Proposed development by Circle Housing Merton Priory

I am writing in connection with Circle Housing Merton Priory's regeneration proposal of the area in which my above home is situated.

Although I am against the proposal and consequent loss of my home, I wish to support Eastfields Resident Association's demand that no resident should have their living standards lowered if the proposal was to go ahead. This means that:

- The valuation of homes would be on the basis of like for like in the locality which means that the prices offered for homes by CHMP would be such that the amounts paid would enable displaced residents to purchase properties of comparable sizes to their present ones, including the number of bedrooms, within close proximity of Eastfields.
- That timely consultation takes place about the amount of home loss payments, disturbance payments and other discretionary payments. The amounts should be such that residents must not be out of pocket by the move which is being foisted on them and that we are compensated properly for the upheaval and disturbance.

I cannot recollect ever being consulted about the matters above and, like me, the other residents are looking to the Council to see that we are not bullied by CHMP and that we are placed in no worse position after the move as we are in at present if the proposal was to go ahead.

Thanking you in anticipation for the Council's support in this very distressing situation.

Yours faithfully