High Path Estate – online responses

Q1. Should all homes on the High Path Estate be redeveloped?

Option 4 (other):

Develop such properties that are beyond economic repair (including affordable service charges, those that have limited interaction with other residents space. The Provision of garages is still required for secure parking. There appears no reason to demolish houses with gardens and off road parking potential in Pincott Road to replace with common garden, unless these 1950s houses are seriously defective.

Q2. What size of homes should be provided?

Option 2: if you do not agree with this mix, please state how you would change it?

Mix to incorporate current housing needs survey + like for like for freeholders and leaseholders + estimated from waiting list size and style requirements

Q3. What type of homes should be provided?

Other: Houses generally - somewhat like for size and style in Pincott Road, for larger families (with downstairs cloakrooms), some adapted for wheelchair and similar disabled/ less walking able persons, with flats facing Morden Road, smaller flats including sheltered housing on estate where applicable.

Q4. How should building heights be distributed across the estate?

Taller buildings around the edges AND

Other: Morden Road, Not facing High Path, Pincott Road or Abbey Road.

Q5. Are there any other issues or options we should consider regarding new homes?

Internal usable space not less that existing (including running length walls), no less storage space in kitchens than existing, no less storage than existing external store cupboards, widths of hallways no less than existing and ideally accessible to visitors in wheelchairs. All heights to be accessible to wheelchair visitors.

Q6. What type of outdoor spaces would you prefer to see within the estate?

Concentrate on providing communal space for flats - This would be secure communal gardens available for groups of flats and not open to the general public

Q7. What types of play areas and open spaces would you prefer to see?

Multi-use games areas such as fenced, hard surfaced areas for 5 a-side football, netball, tennis or similar sports AND

Communal gardens such as areas with planting and seating suitable for picnicking and where ball games might be prohibited
Q8. What do you think is important in deciding the layout of buildings, spaces and streets on the estate?

Making easy connections within the estate and to the surrounding area AND

Creating a mixture of types of buildings and spaces

Q9. Are there any other issues or options we should consider regarding open spaces and streets?

Secure - there are issues of non-residents intruding for crime and anti-social behaviour. Access to bus stops in Merton High Street and Morden Road must be simple and uninhibited.

Q10. How should greater use of public transport be encouraged?

Provide better bus facilities, such as increased bus stops and bus frequencies, improved bus stops travel information AND

Provide better walking routes to rail, tube, tram stations, shopping areas, open spaces and community facilities, such as well lit, safe, convenient and well maintained footways AND

Provide incentives to help residents use public transport more, such as taster pre-pay oyster card and special rail deals AND

Provide personal travel advice AND

Other: Re instate lost convienient bus stop near current Will Miles Court, Renew walkway to new pedestrian light crossing at Merton High Street / Haydons Road Junction. Improve drainage to Abbey Road and Merton High Street to Prevent Puddling.

Q11. Walking and cycling are healthy lifestyle choices. How can we support this?

Provide well-connected, attractive and safe cycle routes and footpaths AND

Provide safe and convenient crossings of busy roads and junctions AND

Provide secure and convenient cycle storage AND

Provide cycling training and support, to help people to switch to cycling

Q12. How should parking be managed?

No parking restrictions

Q13. Are there any other issues or options we should consider regarding transport?

Parking Controls - Where roads are estate roads and estate parking maintain existing regieme- note for employment such parking to have space for Luton High Top Vans and Long Wheel Base Van and associated work trailers as appropriate. Provide additional Bus Stop for 470 Bus in Meretun Way to serve Merton Abbey School, with additional pedestrian crossing point thereof to Jubilee Trading
Estate - possible use such trading estate roads to modify meretun way so that Meretun way is preferred access into High Path South Side businesses (including Car Wash, Churches and Merton Community Transport). Introduce traffic signals at Mereton Way / High Path Slip Road allowing right turn into Meretun Way, close High Path from Pincott Road to Morden Road to vehicular traffic (as it will use Meretun Way instead (* slew Meretun way to south allows access to school and church).

Q14. Should new community facilities be provided within the estate?

Yes, we need more community facilities such as Post Office, Doctors (empty space in Sth Wimbledon Underground Stn could be used for this). Integrated Police, Warden and Estate Offices combining cleaning, antisocial behaviour tackling areas.

Q15. How could refurbishment or regeneration support existing and new employment?

Provision of space for businesses on or near the estate AND Other: Allowing some existing buildings to retain will give longer term maintenance jobs. Ensure that existing businesses using garages (builders, plumbers, double glazing, furniture reclamation, have suitable premises to operate from for storage etc,

Q16. Are there any other issues or options we should consider regarding social and economic opportunities?

Better use of High Path 'Resource Centre' including publicity, Better use of Offender rehabilitation services to expand training integrated to other needs users. Improve parking to St Johns Church Hall and integrate other faith uses around High Path.

Other comments:

None

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