

From: South Wimbledon Business Area (SWBA)

Thank you for inviting further comments from the South Wimbledon Business Area (SWBA) on the consultation document.

I understand that the Co- chair of the SWBA (John Simpson of White Light) has discussed a number of aspects of the proposals with London Borough of Merton Councillors at a recent meeting. I have therefore little to add to his observations.

I would, however, simply wish to underscore the importance of developing employment opportunities within the borough and appropriate skills within the local workforce. I would also wish to mention that recruitment and retention of employees on the SWBA would be assisted if a through bus-route were to be introduced to serve the estate. This would also benefit the environment through the reduction in car usage.

The environment, through the reduction in pollutants, would also be helped if a centralised business waste collection system for the SWBA and other industrial estates were to be introduced. At present, a range of waste companies send vehicles to collect waste from individual businesses under their individual arrangements which obviously elevates emissions.